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Contract

DfE Internal Audit – Inspection Reviews of External Delivery Organisations (EDOs)

Department for the Economy

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-031df7

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Economic and financial affairs

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

DfE Internal Audit – Inspection Reviews of External Delivery Organisations (EDOs)

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79200000 - Accounting, auditing and fiscal services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Department for the Economy require a Contractor to complete reviews of the External Delivery Organisations (EDO) arrangements in place for their NDPBs, specifically Invest NI. The contract will commence in the final quarter of 2022-2025 and run for three years up to 31st March 2024, with the option of two one year extension periods.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £185,400

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79210000 - Accounting and auditing services
- 79211000 - Accounting services
- 79212000 - Auditing services
- 79212100 - Financial auditing services

- 79212500 - Accounting review services
- 79212200 - Internal audit services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: AC1 Proposed Methodology / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: AC2 Personnel Experience: Key Account Manager / Weighting: 9

Quality criterion - Name: AC3 Personnel Experience: Lead Auditor / Weighting: 9

Quality criterion - Name: AC4 Contract Management / Weighting: 12

Cost criterion - Name: AC5 Total Contract Price / Weighting: 40

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Following the initial contract period there are two options to extend for up to one year

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2022/S 000-005982](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

1

Title

Contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

31 May 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £180,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £79,200

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The successful contractor's performance on the contract will be regularly monitored. Contractors not delivering on contract requirements is a serious matter. It means the public purse is not getting what it is paying for. If a contractor fails to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance they will be given a specified time to improve. If, after the specified time, they still fail to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance, the matter will be escalated to senior management in CPD for further action. If this occurs and their performance still does not improve to satisfactory levels within the specified period, it may be regarded as an act of grave professional misconduct and they may be issued with a Certificate of Unsatisfactory Performance and the contract may be terminated. The issue of a

Certificate of Unsatisfactory Performance will result in the contractor being excluded from all procurement competitions being undertaken by Centres of Procurement Expertise on behalf of bodies covered by the Northern Ireland Procurement Policy for a period of twelve months from the date of issue of the certificate.” . . Insert appropriate reservations of rights and disclaimers of liability here consider - e.g.. . "The Authority expressly reserves the rights:. . (I). not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice;. (II). to make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the tendering Competition;. (III). to award (a) contract(s) in respect of any part(s) of the [services] covered by this notice; and. (IV). to award contract(s) in stages.. . and in no circumstances will the Authority be liable for any costs incurred by candidates."

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures.

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

CPD complied with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended). and incorporated a standstill period (i.e. a minimum of 10 calendar days) at the point information on the award of contract was. communicated to tenderers. That notification provided full information on the award decision. This provided time for the unsuccessful. tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract was entered into.