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Contract

## **QUB/1996/21 Research Contractor to conduct the Northern Ireland Life and Times Survey**

Queen's University Belfast  
Ulster University

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-015587

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-029d5c

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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**Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKN0 - Northern Ireland

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.qub.ac.uk/directorates/FinanceDirectorate/visitors/procurement/>

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/queensuniversitybelfast.aspx/Home>

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Ulster University

Cromore Road

Coleraine

BT52 1SA

**Email**

[gm.robinson@ulster.ac.uk](mailto:gm.robinson@ulster.ac.uk)

**Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKN - Northern Ireland

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.ulster.ac.uk>

## **I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

In the case of joint procurement involving different countries, state applicable national procurement law

United Kingdom

## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

## **I.5) Main activity**

Education

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

QUB/1996/21 Research Contractor to conduct the Northern Ireland Life and Times Survey

Reference number

QUB/1996/21

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 79310000 - Market research services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

The aim of the Northern Ireland Life and Times Survey is to provide a time-series and a public record of how the attitudes and behaviour of adults in Northern Ireland develop on a wide range of social policy issues. The survey is designed to meet two distinctive but complementary needs: 1. a local resource for use by the general public; 2. data to inform a more theoretical academic debate within the field of social policy research. The purpose of this procurement is to appoint a Research Contractor to conduct the survey on behalf of Queen's University Belfast and Ulster University. Please note: the award of this contract and the appointment of a Research Contractor will be subject to confirmation of funding.

#### **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: £216,000

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 79310000 - Market research services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN0 - Northern Ireland

Main site or place of performance

Northern Ireland

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

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### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Contract shall be for one round of the survey in 2021, with the option to extend to a further one round of the survey in 2022, subject to satisfactory performance and funding. This option to extend shall be entirely at the discretion of Queen's.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

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## **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**

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

QUB/1996/221

### **Lot No**

1

### **Title**

Research Contractor for Northern Ireland Life and Times Survey

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

25 June 2021

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

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: No

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Market and Opinion Research International Limited t/a Ipsos MORI NI

3 Thomas More Square, London, E1W 1YW

London

E1W 1YW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

National registration number

948470

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £216,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £186,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Queen's University Belfast

University Road

Belfast

BT7 1NN

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

This authority will incorporate a standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to Tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. The standstill period, which will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days, provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into. The Public Contract Regulations 2015 (SI 2015/102) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).