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Tender

541 - External Audit Services

Aston University

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Aston University

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Contact

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Country

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NUTS code

UKG31 - Birmingham

Internet address(es)

Main address

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Buyer's address

<http://www.aston.ac.uk>

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=a5498dac-2604-ec11-810d-005056b64545>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=a5498dac-2604-ec11-810d-005056b64545>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

541 - External Audit Services

Reference number

DN563810

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79212300 - Statutory audit services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Aston University is looking to appoint an External Audit Services provider. The initial contract will run for 3 years with the option to extend for 2 years on 2x 12 month basis, subject to performance.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79212100 - Financial auditing services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG31 - Birmingham

Main site or place of performance

Aston University, Aston Triangle, Birmingham, B4 7ET

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Aston University is going out to tender for External Audit Services.

- To appoint a supplier who can deliver a reliable and accurate audit service in a timely manner;
- To appoint a provider who will work closely with key members of the University to deliver Aston's objectives;
- Achieve value for money with competitive rates and exceptional service; and
- The supplier must offer excellent contract management.
- To appoint external auditors who will ensure a high quality risk-based audit to meet all regulatory and legal requirements;
- Sector knowledge and experience of audits of other HEI's;
- To receive additional added value including insights related to the sector; and
- Excellent contract management including forward planning and communication

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The initial contract period is 3 years with the option to extend for a further 2 years based on a 2 x 12 month periods based on performance.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: Yes

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

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IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 4 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

23 September 2021

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Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Please contact the University via the ProContract e-tendering portal in the first instance.

This authority will incorporate a minimum of 10 calendar days standstill period.
Information on the award of the contract will be communicated to tenderers.