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#### Contract

# **Internal Audit**

University of Ulster

F03: Contract award notice

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

### I.1) Name and addresses

University of Ulster

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Coleraine

**BT521SA** 

#### **Email**

a.todd@ulster.ac.uk

#### **Telephone**

+44 2870124515

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

## Region code

UKN0 - Northern Ireland

# Internet address(es)

Main address

www.ulster.ac.uk

# 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

Internal Audit

Reference number

project\_26822

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 79212200 - Internal audit services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Internal audit services for Ulster University

#### 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: £625,460

## II.2) Description

### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKNO - Northern Ireland

Main site or place of performance

Belfast, Coleraine and Magee campuses

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

Internal audit services with the successful provider will assist the University in ensuring a robust governance environment through a systematic, disciplined and balanced approach to the evaluation of the effective-ness of the financial and internal controls, risk management and other governance processes, recognising that these should be proportionate to the scale and nature of the University's busi-ness.

The scope of internal audit work extends to all of the University's activities, including those relating to the University's wholly-owned subsidiary Innovation Ulster Ltd and any new entities that may be formed over the period of the contract. The scope will include:

- (a) Financial Systems Reviews
- (b) Operation Systems and Processes Reviews
- (c) Subsidiary Company and Discrete Activities Reviews
- (d) Computer/IT Assurance Reviews
- (e) Faculty Reviews
- (f) Value for Money Reviews
- (g) Governance & Risk Assurance Reviews
- (h) Data Returns and data quality Reviews
- (i) Contract Management

Internal Auditors will also be required to set out in detail how they assess audit risk and explain their proposed approach to the preparation, review and issue of Internal Audit reports. Proce-dures for following up recommendations made should be specified and should comply with the Committee of University Chairs (CUC) Audit Committees Code of Practice, and any revisions thereof.

Internal auditors will be required to develop audit strategy and related annual plans in addition to attending audit and risk committee meetings of which there are up to 5 each year, alongside monthly contract management meetings.

Internal auditors will be expected to provide an experienced team to deliver the audit strategy and related plans accessing and using specialist expertise as and when necessary.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Key Team Members / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Methodology for Service Delivery / Weighting: 40

Quality criterion - Name: Methodology for Contract Management / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Access to Specialist Expertise / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 30

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The contract will be for three (3) years initially, with an option to extend for any periods up to and including twenty-four (24) months.

## II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

#### II.2.14) Additional information

This call-off contract was awarded following further competition as provided for under the Crown Commercial Services (CCS) framework agreement for Audit & Assurances RM6188 framework - Lot 1 Internal Audit

# 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: <u>2021/S 000-002008</u>

## Section V. Award of contract

#### **Contract No**

project\_26822

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## V.2) Award of contract

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

19 August 2022

## V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

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

Deloitte (NI) Limited

27-45 Great Victoria Street, Lincoln Building
Belfast
BT2 7SL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UKNO - Northern Ireland

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £625,460

# Section VI. Complementary information

## VI.3) Additional information

It is anticipated the contract will commence on 1 August 2022.

## VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland

Royal Courts of Justice, Chichester Street

**Belfast** 

BT13JY

Country

**United Kingdom** 

## VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 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 (Northern Ireland).