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Contract

Internal Audit

University of Ulster

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-028f2e

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

University of Ulster

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Coleraine

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+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

- UKN0 - 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 effectiveness 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 business.

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. Procedures 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

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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

- UKN0 - 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

BT1 3JY

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).