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## **Audit Services**

Police Digital Service

F02: Contract notice

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

Police Digital Service

20 Gresham Street,

LONDON

EC2V 7JE

### **Contact**

Nia Harvey

### **Email**

[nia.harvey@pds.police.uk](mailto:nia.harvey@pds.police.uk)

### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**National registration number**

08113293

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.pds.police.uk](http://www.pds.police.uk)

Buyer's address

<https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/94392>

**I.3) Communication**

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

[https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwentrance\\_s.asp?PID=82964&B=BLUELIGHT](https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwentrance_s.asp?PID=82964&B=BLUELIGHT)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwentrance\\_s.asp?PID=82964&B=BLUELIGHT](https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwentrance_s.asp?PID=82964&B=BLUELIGHT)

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Public order and safety

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Audit Services

Reference number

PDSCN-329-2024

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

- 79212000 - Auditing services

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

Services

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

In accordance with best procurement practice, EU and UK Procurement Directives and Regulations, Police Digital Service (Company) is seeking to establish a contract through the Open Procedure (as defined in the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (Regulation 27)), for the provision of Audit Services. The offering will be split into two (2) lots within the Invitation to Tender (ITT), the first being External Audit Services and the second being Internal Audit Services. Suppliers are required to bid on ONE lot only.

The Company intends to award the Contract Agreement based on the most economically advantageous tender (MEAT). The Company will not be bound to accept the lowest price of any Tender submitted, but will be evaluating Tenders on the quality and price criteria set forth in this Invitation to Tender (ITT).

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £360,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for one lot only

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

External Audit Services

Lot No

1

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

- 79212000 - Auditing services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

External audits play a crucial role in promoting good corporate governance practices by providing independent oversight of companies' financial reporting processes to ensure financial statements, including balance sheet, and cash flow statements are accurate. This helps ensure transparency, accountability, and integrity in corporate operations. Auditors also ensure that financial statements adhere to accounting standards such as Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) or International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

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

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

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £200,000

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

Start date

12 March 2025

End date

11 March 2028

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

The contract will commence upon signature and will continue for an initial period of 36 months (Contract Initial Period) with the option to extend a further period of 12 months (Contract Extension Period), unless terminated in accordance with the Conditions of the Contract. Where the Company decided to activate the Contract Extension Period, it will give the Suppliers at least three (3) months' notice in writing before the end of the Contract Initial Period (and/or before the end of the first Contract Extension Period).

### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Internal Audit Services

Lot No

2

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

- 79212000 - Auditing services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

CIPFA's Code of Practice for Internal Audit in Local Government in the United Kingdom describes Internal Audit as an assurance function that primarily provides an independent and objective opinion to the organisation on the control environment comprising risk management, control, and governance by evaluating its effectiveness in achieving an organisation's objectives.

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

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

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £280,000

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

Start date

12 March 2025

End date

11 March 2028

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

## **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

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# **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

## **III.1) Conditions for participation**

### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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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**

Notice number: [2024/S 000-020196](#)

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

Date

7 October 2024

Local time

12:00pm

#### **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: 9 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

7 October 2024

Local time

12:00pm



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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

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

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

High Court

7 Rolls Building

London

EC4A 1NL

Country

United Kingdom