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Tender

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

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

08113293

Internet address(es)

Main address

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/rwlenrance_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/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=82964&B=BLUELIGHT

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Public order and safety

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

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

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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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

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

