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Contract

## **EC0973 - Financial Auditing - Research Grants**

The University of Edinburgh

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-03744b

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

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**NUTS code**

UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/procurement/supplying>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00107](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00107)

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Education

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

EC0973 - Financial Auditing - Research Grants

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

- 79212100 - Financial auditing services

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

Services

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

Financial Auditing services for Research Grants.

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

#### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £680,000

### **II.2) Description**

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

EC grants Audits

Lot No

1

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

- 79212100 - Financial auditing services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

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

Lot 1 - EC grants Audits

The University of Edinburgh has around 215 European Commission live research projects with end dates after 2022 as either co-ordinator or partner.

In addition, it is anticipated that the University will be participating in Horizon Europe and the audits will start, depending on their end date and their value after two years from now.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality Criteria / Weighting: 80

Price - Weighting: 20

#### **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

### **II.2) Description**

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

International grants Audits

Lot No

2

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

- 79212100 - Financial auditing services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

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

Lot 2 - International grants Audits (US Federal grants, Gates Foundation grants and any other international grants audits as per the T&C of the funders)

The University of Edinburgh has around 380 International live research grants with end dates after 2022. We need to have an annual US NIH Federal audit of our NIH federal grants as the threshold of \$750k is exceeded. In addition, other International funders require audits as per their T&C, including the annual Gates Foundation audit.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality Criteria / Weighting: 80

Price - Weighting: 20

#### **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

### **II.2) Description**

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

UK grants Audit

Lot No

3

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

- 79212100 - Financial auditing services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

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

Lot 3 - UK grants Audits (Innovate UK grants and any other UK grants audits as per the T&C of the funders)

The University of Edinburgh has around 25 Innovate UK live research grants with end dates after 2022. Independent Accountant's Reports (IARs) are required for all awards above a 25,000 GBP threshold.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality Criteria / Weighting: 80

Price - Weighting: 20

#### **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 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: [2022/S 022-190878](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

1

### **Title**

EC grants Audits

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

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

7 October 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 4

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

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

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

LEES Accountants

Ingram House, Meridian Way

Norwich

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+44 1603307900

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £500,000

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

2

### **Title**

International grants Audits

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

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

7 October 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0



Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

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

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £80,000

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

3

### **Title**

UK grants Audit

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

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

7 October 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 6

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

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

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

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £100,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

(SC Ref:709503)

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

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

Edinburgh Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace Court

27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH1 1LB

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.scotcourts.gov.uk/the-courts/court-locations/edinburgh-sheriff-court-and-justice-of-the-peace-court>