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Tender

External Audit Services

Link Group

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Link Group

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EH14 1RL

Email

linkprocurement@linkgroup.org.uk

Telephone

+44 3303030124

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

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UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.linkhousing.org.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA1284

I.3) Communication

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

www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Other type

Registered Social Landlord

I.5) Main activity

Housing and community amenities

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

External Audit Services

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 79212100 - Financial auditing services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

External Audit Services for the Link group of companies.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79210000 Accounting and auditing services
- 79200000 Accounting, auditing and fiscal services
- 79212000 Auditing services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Edinburgh

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Provision of external audit services for the Link group of companies.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Audit Approach / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Partnership and issue resolution / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Knowledge of Link and our operating environment / Weighting:

10

Quality criterion - Name: Quality and assurance / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Resourcing of the audit / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Added value and innovation / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Environmental management / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Community benefit / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Fair work practices / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Interview presentation / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 30

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

3 + 1 + 1

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

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.1) Information about a particular profession

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession

Reference to the relevant law, regulation or administrative provision

Applicants must be registered auditors.

III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

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

Date

14 February 2025

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: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

14 February 2025

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.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court

27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH1 1LB

Country

United Kingdom

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