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# **BBC Proms Media Selling**

**BBC** (British Broadcasting Corporation)

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# Scope

#### Reference

PROC 2025 35 KW BBC Proms Media Selling

#### **Description**

The requirement is summarised below:-

The Supplier shall sell advertising space for the print projects detailed below, with expected page availabilities in parentheses:

- BBC Proms Guide (maximum 48pp + 2 covers)
- BBC Proms Programmes (advertising shell common to all programmes 48pp + 2 covers; per concert adverts up to 5pp per concert)
- BBC Symphony Orchestra Programme (4pp + 2pp covers)

Programmes are distributed at concert venues including the Royal Albert Hall and other venues across the UK; the Proms Guide is sold through major retailers including Amazon,

Blackwells, Bloomsbury, Royal Albert Hall, Waterstones, WH Smith and other independent bookstores. The Proms Guide is also sold in eBook and Epdf formats.

The anticipated print run for the 2026 Proms Guide is no more than 33,000 copies. Print runs for the Proms programmes vary for each concert;

The Supplier must also be able to adapt to the changing business model in the area of digital publications, selling in advertising space across digital formats and platforms as agreed with the BBC. The Supplier should be prepared for these ambitions to increase year on year and have the necessary resources in place to respond.

#### **Total value (estimated)**

- £360,000 excluding VAT
- £432,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 October 2025 to 30 September 2028
- Possible extension to 30 September 2029
- 4 years

Description of possible extension:

There is an initial term of 3 years with a further possible extension of 12 months

## Main procurement category

Services

#### **CPV** classifications

• 79341000 - Advertising services

#### **Contract locations**

• UK - United Kingdom

# **Participation**

# Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

Full details can be found in the published tender documentation

# Technical ability conditions of participation

Full details can be found in the published tender documentation

# Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

#### **Submission**

Enquiry deadline		
18 August 2025, 5:00pm		
Submission type		
Tenders		
Tender submission deadline		
26 August 2025, 2:00pm		
Submission address and any special instructions		
http://www.bbc.co.uk/supplying/		
Tenders may be submitted electronically		
Yes		
Languages that may be used for submission		
English		

Award decision date (estimated)

17 September 2025

### **Award criteria**

Name	Туре	Weighting
Whole Life Cost	Cost	55%
Merit	Quality	45%

#### Other information

# Description of risks to contract performance

A preliminary market engagement notice was not published as information was discussed with the incumbent.

### **Applicable trade agreements**

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)
- Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP)

# Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

# **Procedure**

# **Procedure type**

Competitive flexible procedure

# Competitive flexible procedure description

- Initial submission of tenders
- BAFO stage
- Contract Award

# **Contracting authority**

## **BBC (British Broadcasting Corporation)**

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government