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Contract

DLGH Audit Services for Local Authority Verifiers & Certification Scheme Providers

Scottish Government

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-05540f

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Scottish Government

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

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Main address

<https://www.gov.scot/>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10482

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

DLGH Audit Services for Local Authority Verifiers & Certification Scheme Providers

Reference number

CASE/787743

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79212000 - Auditing services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Scottish Government has awarded a contract to an external service provider for the

provision of audit services.

The Building (Scotland) Act 2003 sets out the role of verifiers and certification scheme providers with the Scottish building standards system and allows their appointment to perform their respective roles. Appointment of both verifiers and certification scheme providers is conditional on their ability to continue to meet the requirements of their respective Operating Frameworks (verification & certification) with periodic audits identified as one of the conditions of appointment.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

Value excluding VAT: £1,058,570

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The scope of the contract covers the auditing of 32 local authority verifiers and 6 certification scheme providers. The service provider will be required to deliver the following:

- Phase 1: Audit Plans and Schedules for both Certification Scheme Providers and Verifiers
- Phase 2: Audit of Certification Scheme Providers 2025-2026
- Phase 3: Audit of Verifiers 2026-2029
- Phase 4: Review of Certification Operating Framework
- Phase 5: Audit of Certification Scheme Providers 2027-2028

Delivery of additional cycles of audits of Certification Scheme Providers and delivery of stage 2 audits of Local Authority Verifiers may also be required during the contract term.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Overall Quality / Weighting: 80%

Quality criterion - Name: Methodology / Weighting: 40/100

Quality criterion - Name: Staffing / Weighting: 30/100

Quality criterion - Name: Timetable and Delivery / Weighting: 20/100

Quality criterion - Name: Fair Work First / Weighting: 5/100

Quality criterion - Name: Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery / Weighting: 5/100

Price - Weighting: 20%

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Delivery of additional cycles of Certification Scheme Provider audits, and delivery of stage 2 audits of local authority verifiers, may also be required from 2029 until the contract ends. Professional advice in relation to the audits, and spot audits where risks/needs arise, may also be required at any point during the contract term.

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.2.14) Additional information

The period of the contract is from and including 15 October 2025 to and including 14 October 2030. The Scottish Government may, by giving notice to the service provider, extend the period of the contract to a date falling no later than 14 October 2032. Subject to that constraint, the Purchaser may extend the period of the contract on more than one occasion.

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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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

CASE/787743

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

20 October 2025

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

RSM UK Risk Assurance Services LLP

22-25 Farringdon Street

London

EC4A 4AB

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,058,570

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The service provider is accredited as a Living Wage Employer and has committed to paying staff that are involved in the delivery of services under the contract at least the real Living Wage.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court

Sheriff Court House, 27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH1 1LB

Country

United Kingdom