

United Kingdom-Belfast: Financial auditing services
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Contract award notice
Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Northern Ireland Audit Office

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General address of the contracting authority: <http://www.niauditoffice.gov.uk/>

Address of the buyer profile: <http://www.niauditoffice.gov.uk/>

I.2. Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.3. Main activity

General public services

I.4. Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: no

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1. Description

II.1.1. Title

Financial Audit Services on behalf of the Northern Ireland Audit Office 2015-16.

II.1.2. Type of contract and place of performance or delivery

Services

Service category No 9: Accounting, auditing and bookkeeping services

Main site or place of performance: Northern Ireland.

NUTS code UKN Northern Ireland

II.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system (DPS)

II.1.4. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

The Northern Ireland Audit Office (NIAO) is seeking to establish contracts for financial audit services to be allocated in 4 lots. These will appoint service providers for the provision of financial auditing services, and other work to support and assist the NIAO where appropriate

and where required in its external audit functions. The NIAO is responsible for the financial audit of Northern Ireland Government Departments, their executive agencies and a wide range of other public bodies, including health and personal social services bodies and local government bodies.

II.1.5. CPV code(s)

79212100 Financial auditing services

II.1.6. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

II.2. Total value of the contract/lot

II.2.1. Total value of the contract/lot

Value: 567 573 GBP
excluding VAT

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Type of procedure

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Open

IV.2. Award criteria

IV.2.1. Award criteria

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of

IV.2.2. Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction has been used: no

IV.3. Administrative information

IV.3.1. File reference number attributed by the contracting authority

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

no

Section V: Award of contract

Contract No: 1

Lot No: 1

- Lot title: Financial Audits: South Eastern Regional College, the Southern Regional College and the South West College

V.1. Date of conclusion of the contract

1.3.2016

V.2. Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 5

V.3. Name and address of the contractor

Official name: PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Postal address: Waterfront Plaza 8 Laganbank Road
Town: Belfast

Postal code: BT1 3LR
Country: United Kingdom
E-mail: martin.h.pitt@uk.pwc.com
Telephone: +44 2890415403
Internet address: www.pwc.co.uk

V.4. Information on value of the contract/lot

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot:
Value: 221 250 GBP
excluding VAT
Total value of the procurement:
Value: 205 323 GBP
excluding VAT

V.5. Information about subcontracting

The contract is likely to be subcontracted: no

Contract No: 2

Lot No: 2

- Lot title: Financial Audit: Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council

V.1. Date of conclusion of the contract

1.3.2016

V.2. Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

V.3. Name and address of the contractor

Official name: Grant Thornton NI LLP
Postal address: 10th Floor, Clarence West Building
Town: Belfast
Postal code: BT2 7GP
Country: United Kingdom
E-mail: louise.kelly@ie.gt.com
Telephone: +44 2895871100
Internet address: www.grantthornton.ie

V.4. Information on value of the contract/lot

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot:
Value: 208 333 GBP
excluding VAT
Total value of the procurement:
Value: 115 250 GBP
excluding VAT

V.5. Information about subcontracting

The contract is likely to be subcontracted: no

Contract No: 3

Lot No: 3

- Lot title: Financial Audit: Fermanagh and Omagh District Council

V.1. Date of conclusion of the contract

1.3.2016

V.2. Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

V.3. Name and address of the contractor

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V.4. Information on value of the contract/lot

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot:
Value: 208 333 GBP
excluding VAT
Total value of the procurement:
Value: 115 750 GBP
excluding VAT

V.5. Information about subcontracting

The contract is likely to be subcontracted: no

Contract No: 4

Lot No: 4

- Lot title: Financial Audit: North Down and Ards District Council

V.1. Date of conclusion of the contract

1.3.2016

V.2. Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 5

V.3. Name and address of the contractor

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V.4. Information on value of the contract/lot

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot:
Value: 208 333 GBP
excluding VAT
Total value of the procurement:
Value: 131 250 GBP
excluding VAT

V.5. Information about subcontracting

The contract is likely to be subcontracted: no

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:
no

VI.2. Additional information

VI.3. Procedures for review

VI.3.1. Review body

VI.3.2. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: The Contracting Authority will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point when information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. Participants who are unsuccessful shall be informed by the Contracting Authority as soon as possible after the decision has been made as to the reasons why the participant was unsuccessful. If an appeal regarding the award of a contract has not been successfully resolved the Public Contracts Regulations 2006 (SI 2006 No 5), as amended, provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take legal action. Any such action must be brought within the applicable limitation period. Where a contract has not been entered into the Court may order the setting aside of the award decision or order the Contracting Authority to amend any document and may award damages. If the contract has been entered into the Court may, depending on the circumstances, award damages, make a declaration of ineffectiveness, order the Contracting Authority to pay a fine, and/or order that the duration of the contract be shortened. The purpose of the standstill period referred to above is to allow the parties to apply to the Courts to set aside the award decision before the contract is entered into.

VI.3.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

VI.4. Date of dispatch of this notice

18.3.2016