

UK-Bristol: research consultancy services

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Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

## Section I: Contracting authority

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### I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Higher Education Funding Council for England

Postal address: Northavon House

Town: Bristol

Postal code: BS15 3PB

Country: United Kingdom

#### Internet address(es):

Address of the buyer profile: <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/hefce/asp/Tenders/Current>

#### Additional information can be obtained from:

Country: United Kingdom

Internet address: <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/hefce/asp/Tenders/Current>

#### Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from:

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#### Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted: Official name: Higher Education Funding Council for England

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Town: Bristol

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Country: United Kingdom

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### I.2. Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

### I.3. Main activity

Education

### 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

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### II.1. Description

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**Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority**

Research into understanding the information needs of postgraduate taught students and how these could be met.

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

Services

NUTS code

**II.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The notice involves a public contract

**II.1.4. Information about framework agreement**

**II.1.5. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)**

HEFCE is seeking to appoint contractors to investigate the information needs of potential students applying for postgraduate taught courses at institutions within the UK.

**II.1.6. CPV code(s)**

73210000 Research consultancy services

**II.1.7. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

**II.1.8. Lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

**II.1.9. Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

**II.2. Scope of the procurement**

**II.2.1. Total quantity or scope**

**II.2.2. Information about options**

**II.2.3. Information about renewals**

**II.3. Duration of the contract or time limit for completion**

Start 1.6.2012. Completion 31.10.2012

**Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

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**III.1. Conditions related to the contract**

**III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required**

**III.1.2. Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them**

**III.1.3. Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded**

**III.1.4. Contract performance conditions**

**III.2. Conditions for participation**

**III.2.1.**

**Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

**III.2.2. Economic and financial ability**

**III.2.3. Technical and professional ability**

**III.2.4. Information about reserved contracts**

**III.3. Conditions specific to services contracts**

**III.3.1. Information about a particular profession**

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession: no

**III.3.2. 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: no

**Section IV: Procedure**

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**IV.1. Type of procedure**

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Open

**IV.1.2. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

**IV.1.3. Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue**

**IV.2. Award criteria**

**IV.2.1. Award criteria**

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

**IV.2.2. Information about electronic auction**

An electronic auction will be 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

**IV.3.3. Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document**

Payable documents: no

**IV.3.4. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

17.5.2012

**IV.3.5. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

**IV.3.6.**

**Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**  
English.

**IV.3.7. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

**IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date: 21.5.2012

Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: yes

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure:

## **Section VI: Complementary information**

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**VI.1. Information about recurrence**

**VI.2. Information about European Union funds**

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

**VI.3. Additional information**

**VI.4. Procedures for review**

**VI.4.1. Review body**

**VI.4.2. Review procedure**

**VI.4.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

**VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice**

29.3.2012