

**United Kingdom-Newry: Business development consultancy services**

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**Contract notice****Services****Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

**Section I: Contracting authority**

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**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: Newry, Mourne and Down District Council

Postal address: Monaghan Road

Town: Newry

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

Postal code: BT35 8DJ

Country: United Kingdom

E-mail: [theresa.conway@finance-ni.gov.uk](mailto:theresa.conway@finance-ni.gov.uk)**Internet address(es):**Main address: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>Address of the buyer profile: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: Newry Mourne and Down District Council

Postal address: District Council Offices O'Hagan House Monaghan Row

Town: Newry

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

Postal code: BT35 8DJ

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E-mail: [theresa.conway@finance-ni.gov.uk](mailto:theresa.conway@finance-ni.gov.uk)**Internet address(es):**Main address: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>Address of the buyer profile: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>**I.2. Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.3. Communication**The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the abovementioned address

**I.4. Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5. Main activity**

General public services

## Section II: Object

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### II.1. Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1. Title

Business Growth Programme for Newry, Mourne and Down District Council

#### II.1.2. Main CPV code

79411100 Business development consultancy services

#### II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4. Short description

The aim of this programme is to support the growth of small and micro businesses, providing them with the knowledge and skill to expand, become more competitive and ultimately create new employment opportunities within the Newry, Mourne and Down District Council region. This will be achieved by providing accessible and needs driven business support that will open up new market opportunities, and advance the economic performance of the District.

#### II.1.5. Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 452 775,00 GBP

#### II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

### II.2. Description

#### II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

80521000 Training programme services, 80510000 Specialist training services, 80500000 Training services, 80000000 Education and training services, 80530000 Vocational training services, 79410000 Business and management consultancy services

#### II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: UKN Northern Ireland

#### II.2.4. Description of the procurement

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#### II.2.5. Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### II.2.6. Estimated value

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

Duration in months: 24

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Description of renewals:

The Client may at any time before the completion of the Contract Period invite the Contractor to agree to extend for any period up to 31.12.2022.

#### **II.2.10. Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

#### **II.2.11. Information about options**

Options: yes

Description of options:

The Client may at any time before the completion of the Contract Period invite the Contractor to agree to extend for any period up to 31.12.2022.

#### **II.2.13. Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: yes

Identification of the project: Business Growth Programme for Newry, Mourne and Down District Council

#### **II.2.14. Additional information**

### **Section IV: Procedure**

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#### **IV.1. Description**

##### **IV.1.1. Type of procedure**

Open procedure

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

##### **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: 20/08/2018 Local time: 15:00

##### **IV.2.3. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

##### **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**

Tender must be valid until: 18/11/2018

##### **IV.2.7. Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date: 20/08/2018 Local time: 15:30

### **Section VI: Complementary information**

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#### **VI.1. Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: no

#### **VI.3. Additional information**

The successful contractor's performance on the contract will be regularly monitored.

Contractors not delivering on contract requirements is a serious matter. It means the public

purse is not getting what it is paying for. If a Contractor fails to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance they will be given a specified time to improve. If, after the specified time, they still fail to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance, the matter will be escalated to senior management in CPD for further action. If this occurs and their performance still does not improve to satisfactory levels within the specified period, it may be regarded as an act of grave professional misconduct and they may be issued with a Certificate of Unsatisfactory Performance and the contract may be terminated.

#### **VI.4. Procedures for review**

##### **VI.4.1. Review body**

Official name: The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal / mediation procedures

Town: UK

Country: United Kingdom

##### **VI.4.3. Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

CPD will comply with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and, where appropriate, will incorporate a standstill period (i.e. a minimum of 10 calendar days) at the point information on the award of contract is communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. This provides time for the unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into.

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

18/07/2018