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**United Kingdom-Chelmsford: Auditing services
2021/S 015-035091**

Contract award notice

Results of the procurement procedure

Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Official name: Anglia Ruskin University Higher Education Corporation

Postal address: Bishop Hall Lane

Town: Chelmsford

NUTS code: UKH3 Essex

Postal code: CM1 1SQ

Country: United Kingdom

Contact person: Procurement

E-mail: procurement@aru.ac.uk

Internet address(es):

Main address: www.anglia.ac.uk

Address of the buyer profile: <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/angliaruskinuniversity>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title:

Provision of External Audit Services

II.1.2) Main CPV code

79212000 Auditing services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description:

The provision of external audit services for Anglia Ruskin University (ARU), its subsidiaries, joint venture companies and the ARU Foundation.

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: 393 775.00 EUR

II.2) **Description**

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UKH EAST OF ENGLAND

Main site or place of performance:

Anglia Ruskin University, Bishop Hall Lane, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 1SQ.

II.2.4) **Description of the procurement:**

The provision of external audit services for Anglia Ruskin University (ARU), its subsidiaries, joint venture companies and the ARU Foundation. In addition, audits are required for the US Direct Loan (FFEL) Program, the Teachers Pension Agency, and ad-hoc audits for specific projects. An additional requirement is the preparation of the Corporation Tax returns for the subsidiary companies on an annual basis and for Anglia Ruskin University when specifically requested by HMRC. The term of this audit will be initially for 5 years, with the option to extend for a further 2 years. The service will commence on 1 April 2021, in preparation for the audit of the accounts for the year ending 31 July 2021. Therefore, the term of the engagement will be initially for 5 years (with the option to extend for a further 2 years), expiring on 31 March 2026 (following the audit of the accounts to 31 July 2025).

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Planning and delivery / Weighting: 16

Quality criterion - Name: Experience and capability / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Experience in higher education / Weighting: 6

Quality criterion - Name: Responsible procurement/social value / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Section 6.1 cost / Weighting: 2

Quality criterion - Name: Section 6.2 cost / Weighting: 2

Quality criterion - Name: Section 6.3 cost / Weighting: 1

Quality criterion - Name: Presentation / Weighting: 8

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: yes

Description of options:

Option to extend on a yearly basis for a further 2 years after the initial 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**

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) **Description**

IV.1.1) **Type of procedure**

Restricted 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.2.1) **Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number in the OJ S: [2020/S 131-322282](#)

IV.2.8) **Information about termination of dynamic purchasing system**

IV.2.9) **Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice**

Section V: Award of contract

Title:

Provision of External Audit Services

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract:

11/11/2020

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

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

Official name: Scrutton Bland LLP

National registration number: OC306226

Postal address: 820 The Crescent, Colchester Business Park

Town: Colchester

NUTS code: UKH3 Essex

Postal code: CO4 9YQ

Country: United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME: yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: 400 000.00 GBP

Total value of the contract/lot: 395 775.00 GBP

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information:

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Official name: Anglia Ruskin University Higher Education Corporation of

Postal address: Bishop Hall Lane, Chelmsford, Essex

Town: Chelmsford

Postal code: CM1 1SQ

Country: United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

Anglia Ruskin University has incorporated the statutory 10 day standstill period under regulation 87 into the award process.

The Public Contract Regulations 2015 provide a mechanism for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or who are at risk of harm by Anglia Ruskin University's breach of the regulations to take action in the High Court. Any such action should be brought promptly and in any event within 30 days of the date the Tenderer knew or ought to have known that grounds for starting proceedings have arisen.

The procedures and grounds for appeal are set out in regulation 92.

VI.5) Date of dispatch of this notice:

18/01/2021