

United Kingdom-Cardiff: Accounting, auditing and fiscal services

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Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Finance Wales

Postal address: Finance Wales, 1 Capital Quarter, Tyndall Street

Town: Cardiff

Postal code: CF10 4BZ

Country: United Kingdom

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Internet address(es):General address of the contracting authority: www.financewales.co.ukAddress of the buyer profile: http://www.sell2wales.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0555Electronic access to information: www.sell2wales.gov.ukElectronic submission of tenders and requests to participate: www.sell2wales.gov.uk**Additional information can be obtained from:**

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I.2. Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.3. Main activity

Economic and financial affairs

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 attributed to the contract by the contracting authority

The provision of External Audit Services.

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: Cardiff.

NUTS code UK United Kingdom

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)

Finance Wales is looking to engage a service provider to provide external audit services to the Finance Wales group of companies. Details of the contract, the services required, their scope and Finance Wales' requirements in respect of the same are all detailed in the pre-qualification questionnaire, invitation to tender and supporting documentation, copies of which are available from the sources set out below and in section I.1) above.

Note: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Sell2Wales Web Site at: http://www.sell2wales.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=35088

The buyer has indicated that it will accept electronic responses to this notice via the Postbox facility. A user guide is available at:

http://www.sell2wales.gov.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx

Suppliers are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problems.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

79200000 Accounting, auditing and fiscal services, 79212100 Financial auditing 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

The contract shall run for a period of 5 years with a break point at the expiry of year 3. Details of the scope and quantity of the services required are detailed in the pre-qualification questionnaire, invitation to tender and supporting documents, copies of which are available from the sources referred to above.

II.2.2. Information about options

Options: no

II.2.3. Information about renewals

This contract is subject to renewal: no

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

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions related to the contract

III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required

The specific requirements of Finance Wales will be set out in the contract documentation and may include performance bonds and/or parent company guarantees and/or other forms of appropriate security.

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

The specific requirements of Finance Wales will be set out in the contract documentation.

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

No special legal form is required. However, if a consortium submits a tender which is acceptable to Finance Wales, Finance Wales may require the consortium to form a legal entity before entering into a contract. Joint and several liability of all consortium members may be required (and/or guarantees and/or undertakings by some or all consortium members in respect of some or all other consortium members may be required).

III.1.4. Contract performance conditions

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: no

III.2. Conditions for participation

III.2.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions: The specific requirements of Finance Wales will be set out in the contract documentation.

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

List and brief description of conditions: The specific requirements of Finance Wales will be set out in the contract documentation.

III.2.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of conditions:

The specific requirements of Finance Wales will be set out in the contract documentation.

III.2.4. Information about reserved contracts

III.3. Conditions specific to services contracts

III.3.1. Information about a particular profession

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: yes

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Type of procedure

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Restricted

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

Envisaged minimum number 5

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

2015/EJ

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

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

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

9.11.2015 - 12:00

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

11.12.2015

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

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: The current contract is for 5 years and so we would envisage the notice to be published in 2021.

VI.2. Information about European Union funds

VI.3. Additional information

Neither FW nor any of its agents or advisors will be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by bidders in participating in the tender process and responding to the PQQ. Finance Wales will not be bound to accept any tender. Finance Wales reserves the right at any time without notice and without liability to any bidder to (i) withdraw from and/or abandon and/or defer this tender process at any time; and (ii) not to award any contract as a result of this tender process.

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VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

VI.4.2. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: Finance Wales will incorporate a minimum standstill period in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.

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

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

8.10.2015