

**United Kingdom-Belfast: Installation services of laboratory equipment**

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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: Forensic Service Northern Ireland

Postal address: 303 Airport Road West

Town: Belfast

Postal code: BT3 9ED

Country: United Kingdom

Contact person: justice.cpd@dfpni.gov.uk

**Internet address(es):**Address of the buyer profile: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>Electronic access to information: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>Electronic submission of tenders and requests to participate: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>**Additional information can be obtained from:**

the abovementioned address

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

the abovementioned address

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

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**II.1. Description****II.1.1. Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority**

FSNI — Supply, Installation and Maintenance of Automated Liquid Handling Systems.

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

Services

Service category No 1: Maintenance and repair services

NUTS code UKN Northern Ireland

**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)**

Forensic Science Northern Ireland (FSNI) is seeking to establish a contract for the supply, installation and maintenance of automated liquid handling (auto dilutor) systems for alcohol analysis of body fluids for the presence of ethanol for the Analytical Services Team. It is anticipated that this Contract will commence on award for duration of 10 years.

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

51430000 Installation services of laboratory equipment

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

#### **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**

Forensic Science Northern Ireland (FSNI) is seeking to establish a contract for the supply, installation and maintenance of automated liquid handling (auto dilutor) systems for alcohol analysis of body fluids for the presence of ethanol for the Analytical Services Team.

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between 120 000 and 165 000 GBP

#### **II.2.2. Information about options**

Options: yes

Description of options: The client may at any time before the completion of that contract period invite the contractor to agree to extend for periods up to and including 5 periods of 12 months for maintenance and breakdown purposes only for each machine purchased.

#### **II.2.3. Information about renewals**

This contract is subject to renewal: no

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

Duration in months: 120 (from the award of the contract)

## **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**

None.

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

Payments will be made within 30 days of receipt of a valid invoice.

#### **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**

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: yes

Description of particular conditions: As per tender documentation.

### **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**

Lowest price

**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**

106058

**IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure**

no

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

Time limit for receipt of requests for documents or for accessing documents: 7.12.2015 - 15:00

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

7.12.2015 - 15:00

**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**  
Duration in days: 90 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date: 7.12.2015

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

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure: Only CPD procurement staff with access to the project on e-tenders ni.

## **Section VI: Complementary information**

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**VI.1. Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: no

**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**

The nature of the requirement did not lend itself to being broken up into lots. Following award of Contract FSNI will raise a Purchase Order (PO) to the successful contractor for the purchase of the Liquid Handler (auto dilutor) systems. Payment will be made upon satisfactory completion of the delivery, installation, commissioning and training of each Liquid Handler (auto dilutor) system as detailed in the Specification and upon the receipt of a valid invoice. Payment for maintenance will be paid by FSNI on an annual basis following the warranty period by issuing a purchase order for the contracted price of the annual service agreement and upon the receipt of a valid invoice. FSNI endeavour to pay all invoices submitted within 10 working days in accordance with the Government's prompt payment procedures.

**VI.4. Procedures for review**

**VI.4.1. Review body**

Official name: The UK does not currently have any such

**Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Official name: The UK does not currently have any such

**VI.4.2. Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2015 No 102) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland). Any such action must generally be brought within 3 months. If a declaration of ineffectiveness is sought, any such action must be brought within 30 days where the Authority has communicated the award of the contract and a summary of the reasons to Tenderers, or otherwise within 6 months of the contract being entered into. Where a contract has not been entered into the Court may order the setting aside of the award decision or order the 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 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.4.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

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

3.11.2015