

**United Kingdom-Manchester: Auditing services**  
**OJ S 220/2020 11/11/2020**  
**Contract notice**  
**Services**

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

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**Section I: Contracting authority**

**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: The University of Manchester

Postal address: Oxford Road

Town: Manchester

NUTS code: UKD33 Manchester

Postal code: M13 9PL

Country: United Kingdom

E-mail: [procurement@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:procurement@manchester.ac.uk)

**Internet address(es):**

Main address: <http://www.manchester.ac.uk>

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

**I.3. Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/universityofmanchester/asp/Home>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/universityofmanchester/asp/Home>

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5. Main activity**

Education

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1. Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1. Title**

Provision of External Audit Services

Reference number: 2020/1682/EXAUD/LB/NG

**II.1.2. Main CPV code**

79212000 Auditing services

**II.1.3. Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4. Short description**

The University of Manchester (hereafter referred to as the University) and all its subsidiary companies are seeking to appoint a suitable organisation to act as its external auditors and provide services appropriate to these roles, the first year to be audited under this new contract will be the year ending 31 July 2021. The services to be provided at the University of Manchester.

#### **II.1.5. Estimated total value**

#### **II.1.6. Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

### **II.2. Description**

#### **II.2.3. Place of performance**

NUTS code: UKD3 Greater Manchester

Main site or place of performance: The University of Manchester.

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

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Full details can be found in the tender documentation.

#### **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: 36

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Description of renewals:

It is anticipated that the contract will last for a minimum of 3 (three) years, with a view to extend for 3 (three) further years, subject to satisfactory performance.

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

Variants will be accepted: no

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

Options: no

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

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#### **III.1. Conditions for participation**

##### **III.1.2.**

## **Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

### **III.1.3. Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

### **III.2. Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.3. 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

## **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: 10/12/2020 Local time: 12:00

#### **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**

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date: 10/12/2020 Local time: 14:00

Place:

The University of Manchester.

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure: University of Manchester staff only.

## **Section VI: Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: no

### **VI.2. Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

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

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

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

Official name: The High Court of Justice of England

Postal address: Strand

Town: London

Postal code: WC2A 2LL

Country: United Kingdom

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

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

The authority will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. Applicants who are unsuccessful shall be informed by the authority as soon as possible after the decision has been made as to the reasons why the applicant was unsuccessful. If an appeal regarding the award of the contract has not been successfully resolved, the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2015 No 102) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by 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 summary of 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 the duration of the contract to be shortened. The purpose of the standstill

Period referred to is to allow the parties to apply to the Courts to set aside the award decision before the contract is entered into.

#### **VI.4.4. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

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

06/11/2020