

SUMMARY

Summary of report 25/2015, relating to L'Hospitalet de Llobregat City Council, governmental procurement, year 2013

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The Public Audit Office for Catalonia has issued Report 25/2015, relating to L'Hospitalet de Llobregat City Council, governmental procurement, financial year 2013, in accordance with its Annual Programme of Activities.

The report, presented by Board Member Mr Joan-Ignasi Puigdollers, was approved by the Audit Office Board at its meeting on 1 December 2015.

The purpose of the work carried out was to audit government procurement by L'Hospitalet de Llobregat City Council (not including its subsidiary organisations) corresponding to the 2013 financial year, to check that procurement had been undertaken in accordance with public sector procurement principles and with laws and regulations then in force.

The most significant findings from the audit carried out are explained in section 3.1 of the report and can be summarised as follows:

- In several procurement files of contracts for supplies and in one file for services the audit did not find any report giving reasons for the need to undertake the contract tendering process.
- In two of the audited procurement processes for supplies, which had as an assessment criterion, in addition to the price, the possibility of offering improvements, these improvements were not given specific marks and nor was their weighting established in the official tendering specifications.
- In none of the audited contracts for public works, supplies or services which were tendered using negotiated procedures was there proof that a negotiation process had actually taken place to establish the contracts' conditions.
- Of the twelve low-value contracts audited, some consisted in the purchase of supplies or services needed on a regular basis and others were orders with similar characteristics.

This summary is solely for information purposes. The audit report (in Catalan and Spanish) can be consulted at www.sindicatura.cat.