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Planning

Legal Panel for Public Sector

The Minister for the Cabinet Office acting through Crown Commercial Service

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04cfe2

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

The Minister for the Cabinet Office acting through Crown Commercial Service

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Main address

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Public procurement

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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Reference number

RM6374

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79100000 - Legal services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Crown Commercial Service (CCS) as the Authority intends to put in place a Public Sector Agreement for the provision of Legal Services for use primarily by the Wider Public Sector / UK public sector bodies. The proposed commercial vehicle(s) will include a comprehensive list of legal specialisms, including but not limited to the following which may change as a result of

further market engagement:

Commercial

Contracts Law

Property Construction and Real Estate

Dispute Resolution and Litigation

Employment Law

PFI/PPP

Projects

Public Procurement Law

Costs Lawyer Services

Health, Healthcare and Social Care

Transport

Education

The agreement will replace and bring together specialisms currently available under live agreements:

RM6240 Public Sector Legal Services

RM6284 Costs Lawyer Services 2

The lotting structure of this framework will be determined as a result of the market engagement.

Further information is included in the Additional Information section VI.3.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £200,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79100000 - Legal services
- 79110000 - Legal advisory and representation services
- 79111000 - Legal advisory services
- 79112000 - Legal representation services
- 79130000 - Legal documentation and certification services
- 79140000 - Legal advisory and information services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The agreement will replace RM6240 Public Sector Legal Services & RM6284 Costs Lawyer Services 2. It will continue to cover legal specialisms relevant to the public sector.

Crown Commercial Service intends to hold market engagement sessions during early 2025 with suppliers interested in bidding for the resulting panel contracts. If you would like to be involved please express your interest by emailing info@crownccommercial.gov.uk with the subject line 'RM6374 Supplier Engagement' no later than midday on Monday 3rd March 2025. Your email must clearly state: name of your organisation, contact details for the individual(s) who will be participating in the market engagement and further details will be provided to you.

In the meantime, please complete this short survey to help us begin to gather your feedback, it should take you no longer than a few minutes.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

2 January 2026

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

This Prior Information Notice is to signal an intention to procure a new Public Sector Legal Services agreement and to that end to commence market engagement within the legal market.

Crown Commercial Service (CCS) as the Authority intends to put in place a Public Sector Agreement for the provision of Legal Services for use primarily by the Wider Public Sector / UK public sector bodies including Health, Education bodies, Local and Regional Government organisations, Emergency Services and Third Sector organisations.

Consideration is being given to the addition of legal training by legal practitioners as a service provided through this agreement. Inclusion of this service will be determined by the outcome of the engagement session held with both buyers and the market.

The drivers for the development and procurement of this agreement are to:

- Provide buyers with a compliant route to market for Legal Services
- Offer an improved agreement for both buyers and suppliers
- Provide buyers with access to high quality legal services
- Achieve value for money

The value in II.1.5 is an indicative value over 4 years.

The date in II.3) is the estimated date of publication, please refer to the CCS website page for updates and monitor Find A Tender Service for the publication of the contract notice.

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