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## **Social Enterprise Census 2023**

Scottish Government

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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UKM - Scotland

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10482](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10482)

**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**

General public services

## **Section II: Object**

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

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Social Enterprise Census 2023

Reference number

CASE/641340

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 73110000 - Research services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

The Scottish Government (SG) Public Service Reform & Public Bodies Division has a requirement to place a contract with an external service provider to undertake the Social Enterprise Census 2023 (and potentially 2025).

This is a Prior Information Notice (PIN) to alert the marketplace of our intention to advertise the forthcoming tender opportunity.

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

Value excluding VAT: £140,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 79315000 - Social research services
- 79311000 - Survey services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

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

The Enterprising Third Sector team in the Scottish Government has commissioned the Social Enterprise (SE) Census biennially since 2015 and is a world leading survey of the SE sector across Scotland, giving data on the health of the sector. We are looking to refresh the process while still keeping the benefits of collecting a longitudinal data set.

The service provider should have knowledge of social research, running surveys and using collected data to form coherent analysis in the form of a report to be published. The census is run on behalf of the SE sector and their input and buy in to the process is vital, a Census Steering Group made up of sector representatives should be formed, with the final agreed questions being run through that group.

The specific methodology can be flexible, but should include a questionnaire of SE Sector, target a 20% response rate from known social enterprises, include Financial Data Gathering and a formal written report of findings. It may include a qualitative follow up of questionnaire to solidify understanding of trends.

The anticipated start date for the contract is Summer 2023, with publication of the 2023 Census in early summer 2024. There is the possibility of an extension to complete the 2025 census upon review of the 2024 census.

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The proposed contract is expected to be for an initial period of 15 months to undertake the 2023 census. The Scottish Government will reserve the option to extend the contract for a further period of 15 months to undertake the 2025 census, if required.

#### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

30 May 2023

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## **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

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

Suppliers who are interested in the contract opportunity should note their interest against this PIN in order to receive future alerts relating the procurement.

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search\\_Switch.aspx?ID=731056](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=731056).

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