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Planning

Law Accountants

Scottish Government

F01: Prior information notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04fd61

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Scottish Government

5 Atlantic Quay, 150 Broomielaw

Glasgow

G2 8LU

Email

campbell.forsyth2@gov.scot

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

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

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

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www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

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

Law Accountants

Reference number

CASE/755037

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79211000 - Accounting services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Scottish Government Legal Directorate has a requirement to utilise law accountants to scrutinise legal costs and expenses for litigation cases.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £300,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79210000 - Accounting and auditing services
- 79211000 - Accounting services
- 79212500 - Accounting review services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Scottish Government Legal Directorate requires the supply and delivery of law accountant services to prepare and review accounts of legal expenses following litigation and for ad hoc general advice on issues relating to judicial expenses, including:

- The review of files and documentation and subsequent preparation of accounts of judicial expenses when the clients of the Scottish Government Legal Directorate are successful in obtaining an award of expenses in their favour following the conclusion of litigation;
- The review of documentation, accounts of judicial expenses and the preparation of points of objection to accounts of judicial expenses when the clients of the Scottish Government Legal Directorate are subject to adverse awards of expenses following the conclusion of litigation;
- The attendance of law accountants at diets of taxation or similar processes where accounts of judicial expenses are subject to taxation or audit;
- General advice on judicial expenses, accounts of expenses and other expenses related issues including, but not limited to, advice as to the relevant scales and bases of recovery;
- Such ancillary services related to the preparation and negotiation of accounts of judicial expenses as may be necessary

To ensure conflicts of interest are managed appropriately, a multi-supplier framework is proposed.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

30 May 2025

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

Please complete the Microsoft Form Request for Information document below as fully as possible to inform this requirement and allow

Scottish Government to review responses.

Link: <https://forms.office.com/e/5DuuxTQaEF>

Click the link above or copy and paste the link into your internet browser.

Please complete the questionnaire as fully as possible to inform the specification and tender.

Please submit your questionnaire response by no later than 12:00 noon on Friday 25 April 2025.

The PIN and associated questionnaire is for information gathering and market engagement only, this is not a call for competition and response to this questionnaire will not constitute any form of contract, or commitment to contract from Scottish Government. It should be remembered that even where you have indicated that information is commercially sensitive, Scottish Ministers may disclose this information where they see fit.

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