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Contract

## **P24-0068 Tax Advisory Services**

Scottish Enterprise  
South of Scotland Enterprise Agency

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

Scottish Enterprise

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United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKM82 - Glasgow City

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.scottish-enterprise.com/>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00398](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00398)

**I.1) Name and addresses**

South of Scotland Enterprise Agency

Carmont House, The Crichton, Bankend Road

Dumfries

DG1 4TA

**Email**

[Finance@sose.scot](mailto:Finance@sose.scot)

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+44 1750535901

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United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.southofscotlandenterprise.com>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA30448](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA30448)

## **I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

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

Regional or local Agency/Office

## **I.5) Main activity**

Economic and financial affairs

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

P24-0068 Tax Advisory Services

Reference number

P24-0068

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

- 79221000 - Tax consultancy services

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

Services

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

Scottish Enterprise and South of Scotland Enterprise are looking to establish a framework to deliver on tax advisory and related services and will operate as a single supplier framework. Procurement of the services will cover the provision of advice known and anticipated tax consequences which flow from SE and SOSE activities.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £1,000,000

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

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

- 79221000 - Tax consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

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

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#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Key Team Personnel / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Appreciation of Client Requirements / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Methodology & Approach / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Innovation & Business Continuity / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Information Security / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Fair Work First / Weighting: 5

Price - Weighting: 100

#### **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**

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in Regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2023/S 000-035109](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

P24-0068 Tax Advisory Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

3 April 2024

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 7

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 7

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 7

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Ernst & Young LLP (EY)

G1 Building, 5 George Square

Glasgow

G2 1DY

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

**V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,000,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a relevant climate change contract, bidders are required to complete and return the attached Climate Change Plan template.

SPD Statement for 2A.17 – Form of Participation (Notably as part of a group, consortium, joint venture or similar).

Any contract will be entered into with the nominated lead organisation and all members of the consortium, who will in these circumstances each be required to execute said contract together with all ancillary documentation, evidencing their joint and several liability in respect of the obligations and liabilities of the contract. It will be for members of the consortium to sort out their respective duties and liabilities amongst each other. For administrative purposes, any associated documentation will be sent to the nominated lead organisation.

SPD Statement for 2C.1 - Where the main bidder relies on the capacities of other entities in order to meet the selection criteria, the bidder must provide a separate SPD response setting out the information required under SPD (Scotland): Part II (sections A and B); Part III exclusion grounds; the relevant part of Section IV selection criteria; and Part V (if applicable) for each of the entities concerned.

SPD Statement for 2D.1.2 – If the bidder proposes to subcontract any part(s) of the service and those sub-contractors are not relied upon, they should arrange for a separate SPD response from each potential subcontractor. The subcontractors must complete the relevant parts of the SPD (Scotland) (Sections A and B of Part II and Part III only) to self-declare whether there are grounds for their exclusion. [This may be requested at the selection stage or prior to the subcontractor commencing work on the contract.]

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

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

Glasgow Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace Court

Sheriff Clerk's Office, PO Box 23, 1 Carlton Place,

Glasgow

G5 9DA

Telephone

+44 1414298888

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.scotcourts.gov.uk/the-courts/court-locations/glasgow-sheriff-court-and-justice-of-the-peace-court>

#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Scottish Government

5 Atlantic Quay, 150 Broomielaw

Glasgow

G2 8LU

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[SPOEprocurement@scotland.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:SPOEprocurement@scotland.gsi.gov.uk)

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+44 1412425466

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Government/Procurement/Selling/supplier-enquiries>

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

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

In the first instance, contact the Head of Facilities Management and Procurement at Scottish Enterprise, with any concerns or enquiries. Email: <https://www.scottish->

[enterprise.com/help/contact-us](http://enterprise.com/help/contact-us).

An economic operator that suffers, or risks suffering, loss or damage attributable to a breach of duty under the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015, may bring proceedings that will be started in the High Court.

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

Scottish Government

5 Atlantic Quay, 150 Broomielaw

Glasgow

G2 8LU

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[SPOEprocurement@scotland.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:SPOEprocurement@scotland.gsi.gov.uk)

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