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Planning

## **Accountant in Bankruptcy (AiB) - Insolvency Services**

Accountant in Bankruptcy

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-014545

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-02c044

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

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

Accountant in Bankruptcy

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Kilwinning

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+44 3002002600

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+44 3002002601

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKM93 - East Ayrshire and North Ayrshire mainland

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00233](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00233)

**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

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

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

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Accountant in Bankruptcy (AiB) - Insolvency Services

Reference number

AiB 2021/7

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

- 79211000 - Accounting services

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

Services

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

Accountant in Bankruptcy (AiB) is an Executive Agency of the Scottish Government. The Chief Executive is also The Accountant in Bankruptcy (The Accountant) who is appointed to exercise all of the functions of The Accountant as specified under The Bankruptcy (Scotland) Act 2016 (as amended).

This Prior Information Notice (PIN) with Request For Information (RFI) relates to AiB's requirement for the provision of Insolvency services. This framework will be intended to cover the administration of allocated sequestration cases where The Accountant is appointed Trustee. These services will be required across the whole of Scotland. The RFI document can be found within the Additional Documents section of this PIN.

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

Value excluding VAT: £5,200,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Scotland

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

AiB intend to award a multi Contractor framework for the provision of Insolvency services. The scope of the framework will be intended to cover the administration of allocated sequestration cases where The Accountant is appointed Trustee. These services will be required across the whole of Scotland.

Please see the attached RFI for further information.

A detailed specification and selection/award criteria will be included in any future Invitation to Tender (ITT) documentation.

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

This PIN and RFI is intended to help inform the procurement strategy and route to market. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic it is also intended to establish the available capacity/capability in the market to tender at this point in time.

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

1 November 2021

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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

This PIN and RFI is intended to help inform the procurement strategy and route to market. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the resulting impact on the debt landscape it is also intended to establish the available capacity/capability in the market to tender at this point in time.

The publication of this PIN and RFI does not commit AiB to any particular procurement process or to appoint any Contractor.

Potential participants must note that a response to this PIN and RFI does not form part of any selection process. Should a notice inviting requests to participate in a procurement exercise be published a new expression of interest would be required in accordance with that notice.

AiB reserves the right to amend the scope of the requirement as described in this PIN and RFI. This PIN indicates that the requirement will not be split into Lots, however the responses to this RFI will help to inform the finalised framework structure.

Any questions relating to this RFI must be sent via the PCS Q&A function by noon on the 5th of July 2021. Please register your interest in this notice to obtain access to the RFI document and return your completed RFI to Laura Robertson at [laura.robertson@aib.gov.uk](mailto:laura.robertson@aib.gov.uk) by noon on the 9th of July 2021.

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=656186](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=656186).

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