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## **(VEAT Notice) Delivery and project management of Gaelic short-film competition**

Seirbheis nam Meadhanan Gàidhlig (The Gaelic Media Service)

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

Seirbheis nam Meadhanan Gàidhlig (The Gaelic Media Service)

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Isle of Lewis

HS1 2SD

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#### **Telephone**

+44 851705550

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKM64 - Na h-Eileanan Siar (Western Isles)

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.mgalba.com>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA14302](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA14302)

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

Other type

Body established under the Broadcasting Act 1990

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Broadcasting

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

(VEAT Notice) Delivery and project management of Gaelic short-film competition

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

- 72224000 - Project management consultancy services

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

Services

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

MG ALBA are putting out this voluntary ex ante transparency (VEAT) notice with a view to extending the existing contract with Astar Media for the delivery and project management of a Gaelic short-film competition ("FilmG"). Justification of this intention together with full details of the intended contract are included within sections II.2.4 and IV.1.1 of this notice.

The contract extension is expected to commence from July 2024 for up to 10 months, although it may be less.

#### **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: £130,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKM64 - Na h-Eileanan Siar (Western Isles)

Main site or place of performance

MG ALBA's main office is in Stornoway, with another base in Glasgow although this project will be undertaken remotely.

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

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FilmG is a Gaelic short film competition promoting and encouraging all aspects of filmmaking from young people to industry professionals. Since its launch in 2008 it has been a hugely important vehicle for BBC ALBA and many of its participants have gone on to develop media careers and receive further industry recognition.

MG ALBA intends to award the contract extension, without a call for competition, in accordance with the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 (regulation 72(1)(b)). Additional services have become necessary and a change of contractor would result in significant inconvenience /substantial duplication of costs for MG ALBA. The contract duration is expected to be from July 2024 for 10 months, though may be less .

The closing date of this VEAT is 4 July 2024.

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The maximum contract value is 130,000GBP ex VAT, detailed as follows:

-100,000GBP ex VAT for services (70,000GBP of which shall be for project management and 30,000GBP shall be for workshops); and

-the remaining 30,000GBP ex VAT shall be provisional on MG ALBA being in a position to proceed with the instruction of services to Astar Media to deliver the Awards part of the overall services.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

This Voluntary Ex-Ante Transparency (VEAT) Notice is to advise of the need for modification to meet the additional demands of MG ALBA, being to maintain supply as a change of contractor cannot be made at present due to economic / technical reasons due to the need for interoperability with the existing services procured under the initial procurement, and avoid unnecessary disruption and duplication of costs in line with Regulation 72(1)(b) of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015. The increase in price does not exceed 50% of the initial contract value.

The previous total value was 260,000GBP ex VAT. The maximum payable under the extended contract is 130,000GBP ex VAT. The new total extended contract value will be 390,000GBP ex VAT.

MG ALBA intend to go out to the marketplace for a new contract for Gaelic short film competition and this procurement will commence January 2025 with a target effective contract date of 1 May 2025.

#### **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: [2022/S 000-016262](#)

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

24 June 2024

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

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

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

Astar Media

Stornoway Business Hub, 9 Bank Street

Stornoway

HS1 2XG

Telephone

+44 7748689207

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM64 - Na h-Eileanan Siar (Western Isles)

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £130,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

It should be noted that this VEAT notice is intended to inform the market of the intention to modify a contract under Regulation 72 (1) (b) and whilst the PCS system requires an award date prior to the VEAT notice publication for the avoidance of doubt it should be noted that the extended contract has not been entered into prior to the publication of this notice.

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=770331](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=770331).

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

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

Court of Session

Parliament House, Parliament Square

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