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Tender

Law Accountancy Services Framework

Scottish Government

F02: Contract notice

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18 August 2025, 12:00pm

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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

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

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

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

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

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

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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 Accountancy Services Framework

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

The Scottish Government is seeking to establish a framework for Law Accountancy Services.

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 is seeking to establish a framework of suitably qualified Law Accountancy service providers.

These services will be required primarily by the Scottish Government Legal Directorate (SGLD), Litigation Division. There may be a future occasional requirement from The Office of The Advocate General (OAG) to utilise this framework.

This framework will be ranked. There is a desire to have a minimum of two contractors appointed to the framework, and a maximum of four.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Delivery of Services / Weighting: 45

Quality criterion - Name: Quality Assurance & Risk Management / Weighting: 40

Quality criterion - Name: Community Benefits / Weighting: 0

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

Quality criterion - Name: Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 20

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Authority may extend the contract by a further 12 months

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria

4B.4 - Financial Ratios

4B.5.1a/b and 4B.5.2 - Insurance

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

4B.4 - Bidders must demonstrate a Current Ratio of not less than 1.0

Current Ratio will be calculated as follows:

Total Current Assets divided by Total current liabilities.

There must be no qualification or contra-indication from any evidence provided in support of the bidders economic and financial standing.

4B.5.1 - It is a requirement of this contract that bidders hold, or can commit to obtain prior to the commencement of any subsequently

awarded contract, the types and levels of insurance indicated below:

4B.5.1b - Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance In accordance with the legal obligation for the time being enforced.

4B.5.1a - Professional Liability Insurance in the value of not less than 1,000,000 GBP

4B.5.2 - Public Liability Insurance (including Abuse Liability) in the value of not less than 1,000,000 GBP

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria

4C.1.2 - Relevant Experience

4C.4 - Supply Chain Management/Tracking Systems Used

4C.7 - Environmental Management

4C.10 - Proportion (%) to be Sub-Contracted

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

4C.1.2 - Bidders will be required to provide examples that demonstrate that they have the relevant experience to deliver the services/supplies

within the past three years.

4C.4 - If bidders intend to use a supply chain to deliver the requirements detailed in the Contract Notice, they should confirm they have (or have access to) the relevant supply chain management and tracking systems to ensure a resilient and sustainable supply chain. This will include confirmation that they have the systems in place to pay subcontractors through the supply chain promptly and effectively, and

provide evidence when requested of:

a. their standard payment terms

b. 95% of all supply chain invoices being paid on time (in accordance with the terms of contract) in the last financial year.

If the bidder is unable to confirm (b) they must provide an improvement plan, signed by their Director, which improves the payment

performance.

Note:

Accepted evidence includes but is not limited to:

- extract of terms & conditions detailing standard payment terms
- a summarised accounts payable report showing payment on time performance
- credit report

4C.7 - Bidders are required to provide details of the environmental management measures which will be available when performing the contract:

4C.10 - Bidders will be required to confirm whether they intend to subcontract and, if so, for what proportion of the contract.

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 4

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: [2025/S 000-013108](#)

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Originally published as:

Date

11 August 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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Date

18 August 2025

Local time

12:00pm

See the [change notice](#).

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

11 August 2025

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: 30 or 42 months subject to optional extensional periods

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) 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.

Single Procurement Document will be scored on a pass/fail basis.

Award Criteria Questions can be found in the ITT together with the weightings.

Question scoring methodology for award criteria outlined in Invitation to Tender.

Bidders must complete the SPD (Scotland) to demonstrate adherence to the exclusion and selection criteria for this procurement.

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 29675. For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343>

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court

27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH1 1LB

Country

United Kingdom