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#### **Planning**

# Interpreting, Translation and Transcription

Scottish Government

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

# I.1) Name and addresses

Scottish Government

4 Atlantic Quay, 70 York St

Glasgow

G2 8EA

#### **Email**

amy.smith@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=AA1048 2

# 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

# 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

Interpreting, Translation and Transcription

Reference number

SP-24-010

## II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 79530000 - Translation services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

#### Services

## II.1.4) Short description

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The scope of the framework for interpreting and translation services is as follows:

Interpreting (face-to-face, remote video and telephone) – from English into a wide range of spoken languages and dialect and from those languages and dialect into English or other languages as requested by framework public bodies.

Translation and transcription services - from English into a wide range of spoken languages and from those languages into English or other languages as requested by framework public bodies including:

text to braille - or other tactile or touch formats

speech (audio) to text including tape recordings and other electronic media, audio

video to text

text to speech (audio) – including tape recordings and other electronic media, audio and video

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £15,000,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

## II.2) Description

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

79530000 - Translation services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

#### UKM - Scotland

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

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

14 April 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

The Scottish Procurement and Property Directorate (SPPD) is the organisation tasked with procuring requirements on behalf of Scottish Public Bodies. The current Interpreting, Translation and Transcription Framework is due to expire on 11 November 2025. Initial work has commenced in developing a draft procurement strategy including canvassing stakeholders across the public sector. In order to complete and finalise the strategy SPPD recognises the value of suppliers having the opportunity to contribute to the process on a non-competitive and non-judgemental basis.

This request for information is aimed at collating views from market participants. The information gathered may be used in developing the procurement strategy and deliver contractual arrangements for interpreting, translation and transcription requirements.

Suppliers and other interested parties should read and complete the attached request for information questionnaire, using the following link: <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/htRRmYtUtg">https://forms.office.com/e/htRRmYtUtg</a>

The questionnaire should be completed by 5pm on 15 January 2025.

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