# National Contract Notice for classic procurement (for online publication only)

# SECTION I: CONTRACTING AUTHORITY

#### I.1) NAME, ADDRESSES AND CONTACT POINT(S)

Official name:	Department for Social Development	National ID:		
Postal address:	Lighthouse Building, 1 Cromac Place, Gasworks Business Park			
Town:	BELFAST	Postal code:	BT7 2JA	
Country:	United Kingdom			
Contact point(s):	heather.ellison@dfpni.gov.uk	Telephone:		
For the attention of:				
Email:		Fax:		
Internet address(es) (if applicable)				
General address of the contracting authority (URL):				
Address of the buyer profile (URL): https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps				
Electronic access to information (URL): https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps				
Electronic submission of tenders and requests to participate (URL): https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps				
Further information can be obtained at:				

- As in above-mentioned contact point(s)
- O Other: please complete Annex A.I

# Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained at:

- As in above-mentioned contact point(s)
- O Other: please complete Annex A.II

## Tenders or requests to participate must be sent to:

- As in above-mentioned contact point(s)
- O Other: please complete Annex A.III

# **1.2) TYPE OF THE CONTRACTING AUTHORITY AND MAIN ACTIVITY OR ACTIVITIES**

- Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions
- National or federal agency/office
- O Regional or local authority
- Regional or local agency/office
- Body governed by public law
- European institution/agency or international organisation
- O Other (please specify):

- General public services
- O Defence
- O Public order and safety
- O Environment
- O Economic and financial affairs
- O Health
- O Housing and community amenities
- O Social protection
- O Recreation, culture and religion
- O Education

Other (please specify):

#### I.4) Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities:

O yes ● no

(If yes, information on those contracting authorities can be provided in Annex A)

# SECTION II: OBJECT OF THE CONTRACT

## **II.1) DESCRIPTION**

## II.1.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority

DSD - Research Project - Mortgage Debt Advice in Northern Ireland

## II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance

(Choose one category only - works, supplies or services - which corresponds most to the specific object of your contract or purchase(s))

◯ (a) Works	◯ (b) Supplies	● (c) Services
○ Execution	<ul> <li>Purchase</li> </ul>	Service category No 8
<ul> <li>Design and execution</li> </ul>	⊖ Lease	Please see Annex C3 for service
O Realisation, by whatever means	○ Rental	categories
of work, corresponding to the requirements specified by the	<ul> <li>Hire purchase</li> </ul>	
contracting authorities	O A combination of these	
Main site or location of works	Main place of delivery	Main place of performance

# II.1.3) The notice involves

A public contract

- O The establishment of a framework agreement
- O The setting up of a dynamic purchasing system (DPS)

#### **II.1.3) Information on framework agreement** (*if applicable*)

O Framework agreement with several operators	O Framework agreement with a single operator
Number	
<i>OR, if applicable</i> , maximum number of participants to the framework agreement envisaged	

# Duration of the framework agreement:

Duration in year(s):

or month(s):

Justification for a framework agreement, the duration of which exceeds four years:

# Estimated total value of purchases for the entire duration of the framework agreement (*if applicable; give figures only*):

Estimated value excluding VAT:

OR Range: between	and	Currency:
Frequency and value of the contracts to be awarded: (if known):		

## II.1.5) Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

The Department is seeking to fill the current gap in understanding how customers in Northern Ireland navigate the mortgage debt advice landscape, and test the effectiveness of advice interventions during this journey. It is crucial that the research meets the following requirements: i.lt should include structured and formal engagement with stakeholder groups. ii.lt should be sufficiently robust to gain the confidence of stakeholders. iii.lt should enable any future decision on policy implementation to be made on firm evidence-based foundations. iv.lt should be specifically tailored to the Northern Ireland housing and mortgage market. v.lt should include up-to-date data that takes into account the recent significant changes to the economic and regulatory environment.

## II.1.6) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)

	Main vocabulary	Supplementary vocabulary (if applicable)
Main object	7300000	
Additional object(s)	73200000	
	73210000	
	73300000	

# II.1.7) Contract covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

O yes O no

**II.1.8) Division into lots** (for information about lots, use Annex B as many times as there are lots)

O yes ● no

If yes, tenders should be submitted for (tick one box only)

O one lot only

O one or more lots

○ all lots

# II.1.9) Variants will be accepted

O yes ● no

# **II.2) QUANTITY OR SCOPE OF THE CONTRACT**

#### **II.2.1)** Total quantity or scope (including all lots and options, if applicable)

If applicable, estimated value excluding VAT (give figures only): 50000.00		Currency: GBP
OR Range: between	and	Currency:

#### **II.2.2) Options** (*if applicable*)

Oyes Ono

If yes, description of these options:

If known, provisional timetable for recourse to these options:		
in months:	or days:	(from the award of the contract)

# II.2.3)Information about renewals (if applicable)

This contract is subject to renewal

Oyes Ono

ſ	Number of possible renewals	(if any):	or Range: between	and
	If known, in the case of renewable supplies or service contracts, estimated timeframe for subsequent contracts:			
	in months:	or days:	(from the award of the con	tract)

## **II.3) DURATION OF THE CONTRACT OR TIME-LIMIT FOR COMPLETION**

Duration in months: 6	or days:	(from the award of the contract)
OR Starting	(dd/mm/yyyy)	
Completion	(dd/mm/yyyy)	

#### SECTION III: LEGAL, ECONOMIC, FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION

#### **III.1) CONDITIONS RELATING TO THE CONTRACT**

#### III.1.1) Deposits and guarantees required (if applicable)

# III.1.2) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions regulating them

**III.1.3)** Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded (*if applicable*)

#### III.1.4) Other particular conditions to which the performance of the contract is subject (if applicable)

O yes ● no

If yes, description of particular conditions

# **III.2) CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATION**

# III.2.1) Personal situation of economic operators, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met:

#### III.2.2) Economic and financial capacity

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met:	Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required ( <i>if applicable</i> ):
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#### III.2.3) Technical capacity

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if	Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required
requirements are met:	(if applicable):

#### III.2.4) Information about reserved contracts (if applicable)

O The contract is restricted to sheltered workshops

O The execution of the contract is restricted to the framework of sheltered employment programmes

#### **III.3) CONDITIONS SPECIFIC TO SERVICES CONTRACTS**

#### III.3.1) Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession

O yes ● no

If yes, reference to the relevant law, regulation or administrative provision:

# III.3.2) Legal entities should indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff responsible for the execution of the service

Oyes ◉no

# SECTION IV: PROCEDURE

#### **IV.1) TYPE OF PROCEDURE**

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open	
⊖ Restricted	
<ul> <li>Accelerated restricted</li> </ul>	Justification for the choice of accelerated procedure:
○ Negotiated	Candidates have already been selected O yes O no
	<b>If yes</b> , provide names and addresses of economic operators already selected under Section VI.3) Additional information
O Accelerated negotiated	Justification for the choice of accelerated procedure:
O Competitive dialogue	

# **IV.2) AWARD CRITERIA**

# IV.2.1) Award criteria (please tick the relevant box(es))

O Lowest price

OR

- The most economically advantageous tender in terms of
  - the criteria stated below (the award criteria should be given with their weighting or in descending order of importance where weighting is not possible for demonstrable reasons)
  - It the criteria stated in the specifications, in the invitation to tender or to negotiate or in the descriptive document

Criteria	Weighting	Criteria	Weighting
1.		6.	
2.		7.	
3.		8.	
4.		9.	
5.		10.	

### IV.2.2) An electronic auction will be used

O yes ● no

If yes, additional information about electronic auction (if appropriate)

# **IV.3) ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

# **IV.3.1)** File reference number attributed by the contracting authority (*if applicable*) 31254

## IV.3.2) Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract

O yes ● no

#### If yes,

<ul> <li>Prior information notice</li> </ul>	O Notice on a buyer profile	
Notice number in OJ:	of	(dd/mm/yyyy)
Other previous publications (if applicable	)	

# **IV.3.3) Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents** (except for a DPS) **or descriptive document** (in the case of a competitive dialogue)

Time limit for receipt of requests for documents or for	accessing documents
Date: 30/10/2015 (dd/mm/yyyy) Time: 15:00	
Payable documents	
O yes ● no	
If yes, price (give figures only):	Currency:
Terms and method of payment:	
IV.3.4) Time-limit for receipt of tenders or requests	to participate
Date: 30/10/2015 (dd/mm/yyyy) Time: 15:00	
IV.3.6) Language(s) in which tenders or requests to	o participate may be drawn up
Any EU official language	

Official EU language(s):

ES	cs	DA	DE	ΕT	EL	EN	FR	IT	LV	LT	HU	МТ	NL	PL	РТ	SK	SL	FI	sv	BG	GA	RO
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Ot	her:																					

IV.3.7) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender (open procedure)

Until: (dd/mm/yyyy)

OR Duration in month(s): OR days: 90 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

#### IV.3.8) Conditions for opening tenders

Date: 30/10/2015 (dd/mm/yyyy) Time: Place (*if applicable*): Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders (*if applicable*)

Oyes Ono

# SECTION VI: COMPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# VI.1) THIS IS A RECURRENT PROCUREMENT (if applicable)

O yes ● no **If yes**, estimated timing for further notices to be published:

# VI.2) CONTRACT RELATED TO A PROJECT AND/OR PROGRAMME FINANCED BY EU FUNDS

O yes ● no If yes, reference to project(s) and/or programme(s):

# VI.3) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (if applicable)

# VI.4) PROCEDURES FOR APPEAL

## VI.4.1) Body responsible for appeal procedures

Official name:	National ID:
Postal address:	
Town:	Postal code:
Country:	Telephone:
Email:	Fax:
Internet address (URL):	
Body responsible for mediation procedures (if applicable)	
Official name:	National ID:
Postal address:	

Town:	Postal code:
Country:	Telephone:
Email:	Fax:

Internet address (URL):

VI.4.2) Lodging of appeals (please fill heading VI.4.2 OR if need be, heading VI.4.3)

Precise information on deadline(s) for lodging appeals:

# VI.4.3) Service from which information about the lodging of appeals may be obtained

Official name:	National ID:
Postal address:	
Town:	Postal code:
Country:	Telephone:
Email:	Fax:
Internet address (URL):	

# VI.5) DATE OF DISPATCH OF THIS NOTICE:

## 09/10/2015 (dd/mm/yyyy)

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## Annex C1 – General procurement SERVICE CATEGORIES REFERRED TO IN SECTION II: OBJECT OF THE CONTRACT Directive 2004/18/EC

Category No [1]	Subject
1	Maintenance and repair services
2	Land transport services [2], including armoured car services, and courier services, except transport of mail
3	Air transport services of passengers and freight, except transport of mail
4	Transport of mail by land [3] and by air
5	Telecommunications services
6	Financial services:(a) Insurance services(b) Banking and investment services [4]
7	Computer and related services
8	Research and development services [5]
9	Accounting, auditing and bookkeeping services
10	Market research and public opinion polling services
11	Management consulting services [6] and related services
12	Architectural services; engineering services and integrated engineering services; urban planning and landscape engineering services; related scientific and technical consulting services; technical testing and analysis services
13	Advertising services
14	Building-cleaning services and property management services
15	Publishing and printing services on a fee or contract basis
16	Sewage and refuse disposal services; sanitation and similar services

Category No [7]	Subject
17	Hotel and restaurant services
18	Rail transport services
19	Water transport services
20	Supporting and auxiliary transport services
21	Legal services
22	Personnel placement and supply services [8]
23	Investigation and security services, except armoured car services
24	Education and vocational education services
25	Health and social services
26	Recreational, cultural and sporting services [9]
27	Other services

1. Service categories within the meaning of Article 20 and Annex IIA to Directive 2004/18/EC

2. Except for rail transport services covered by category 18.

3. Except for rail transport services covered by category 18.

4. Except financial services in connection with the issue, sale, purchase or transfer of securities or other financial instruments, and central bank services.

Also excluded: services involving the acquisition or rental, by whatever financial procedures, of land, existing buildings, or other immovable property or concerning rights thereon; nevertheless, financial services supplied at the same time as, before or after the contract of acquisition or rental, in whatever form, shall be subject to this Directive.

5. Except research and development services other than those where the benefits accrue exclusively to the contracting authority for its use in the conduct of its own affairs on condition that the service provided is wholly remunerated by the contracting authority.

6. Except arbitration and conciliation services

7. Service categories within the meaning of Article 21 and Annex IIB of Directive 2004/18/EC

8. Except employment contracts.

9. Except contracts for the acquisition, development, production or co-production of program material by broadcasters and contracts for broadcasting time.