

Ireland: Festival organisation services

Provision of Services to facilitate Give it a Swirl - The Sligo World Festival of Everything – under Theme 3 - Celebrating Cultures and Diversity as part of Sligo's PEACEPLUS LCPAP

Contract or concession notice – standard regime

1 Buyer

1.1 Buyer

Official name: Sligo County Council

Legal type of the buyer: Body governed by public law, controlled by a local authority

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

2 Procedure

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Description: Sligo County Council is seeking to appoint a suitably qualified Contractor to develop, facilitate, and implement a thirty month programme of activities, Give It a Swirl – the Sligo World Festival of Everything is a ground-breaking and ambitious project designed to harness the rich potential of cultural expression - music, song, dance, drama, fashion, food, crafts, etc. - to bring together people from diverse backgrounds. This programme is aimed at promoting peace, inclusion, and cultural diversity through creative and community-led activities. The project seeks to actively engage the public in trying out elements of different culture, e.g., sean-nós singing or African drumming; try on a sari or taste a seaweed salad. The project strategically links strands of this PEACEPLUS Action Plan. Participants will share their skills, knowledge and experience, and stories with others. The project connects different cultural communities in Sligo and beyond. It requires cooperation, understanding, and cross community interaction by actively involving diverse groups and promoting understanding via shared experiences. PEACEPLUS values and goals are delicately woven throughout the Sligo World Festival of Everything, resulting in a colourful tapestry of intercommunity connections and cross-cultural learning. The Sligo PEACEPLUS Co-designed Local Community Peace Action Plan (henceforth, the Plan) was developed through an 18-month co-design process in support of application to the Special EU Programme Body for European funding under PEACEPLUS Investment Area 1.1., open only to local authorities in Northern Ireland and the border counties of Ireland. The PEACEPLUS programme is designed to support peace and prosperity and build upon the work of the previous PEACE and INTERREG Programmes. It is cross-border funding supported by the European Union, the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Government of Ireland, and the Northern Ireland administration. The Plan includes 15 projects under three designated themes: 1. Local Community Regeneration and Transformation – Capital Investment; 2. Thriving and Peaceful Communities – Capacity Building; 3. Celebrating Culture and Diversity. This Request for Tender relates to Theme 3, Celebrating Culture and Diversity, the project is entitled Give it a Swirl - The Sligo World Festival of Everything. In its entirety this project seeks to break down social barriers and challenge discrimination, prejudice and bias through human interaction to find cultural meeting points between different communities through mutual enjoyment and participation. The result is an ambitious suite of programmes that run concurrently and interlinked over the duration of the Plan's implementation. This project commits to proactive inclusion of participants from marginalised groups, including Travellers, new communities, and LGBTQIA+ individuals; they have an essential role in the project. To achieve this, a multifaceted approach that begins with inclusive marketing and outreach strategies will be used. Collaboration with local organisations, cultural centres, and community leaders will be crucial to foster connections and build trust within these communities. As with all projects in the Plan, accessible, safe and inclusive spaces must be used for workshops, and resources provided for individuals who may need special accommodations.

Disadvantage – economic, social, educational, physical – cannot be a barrier to participating in the Sligo World Festival of Everything. The goal is to celebrate diversity, foster inclusivity, and ensure that everyone can share in the joy and cultural richness our festivals offer, regardless of their background or identity.

Procedure identifier: 038794d3-f1f0-4b16-b6ec-a236f6789a3f

Type of procedure: Open

The procedure is accelerated: no

2.1.1 Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

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Additional classification (cpv): 85322000 Community action programme

Additional classification (cpv): 98000000 Other community, social and personal services

Additional classification (cpv): 98133100 Civic betterment and community facility support services

Additional classification (cpv): 75200000 Provision of services to the community

2.1.2 Place of performance

Country: Ireland

Anywhere in the given country

2.1.3 Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 447 098 Euro

2.1.4 General information

Legal basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

5 Lot

5.1 Lot technical ID: LOT-0001

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Additional information:

5.1.3 Estimated duration

Other duration: Unknown

5.1.5 Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 447 098 Euro

5.1.6 General information

Reserved participation: Participation is not reserved.

Procurement Project fully or partially financed with EU Funds.

Information about European Union funds

EU funds programme: European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) (2021/2027)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): yes

5.1.7 Strategic procurement

Aim of strategic procurement: No strategic procurement

5.1.11 Procurement documents

Languages in which the procurement documents are officially available: English

Languages in which the procurement documents (or their parts) are unofficially available: English

Address of the procurement documents: <https://www.etenders.gov.ie/epps/cft/listContractDocuments.do?resourceId=6104289>

5.1.12 Terms of procurement

Terms of submission:

Electronic submission: Required

Address for submission: <https://www.etenders.gov.ie/epps/cft/viewTenders.do?resourceId=6104289>

Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted: English

Electronic catalogue: Not allowed

Tenderers may submit more than one tender: Not allowed

Deadline for receipt of tenders: 10/08/2025 17:00 +01:00

Deadline until which the tender must remain valid: 6 Month

Information about public opening:

Opening date: 10/08/2025 17:30 +01:00

Place: <https://www.etenders.gov.ie/epps/cft/prepareViewCFTWS.do?resourceId=6104289>

Terms of contract:

The execution of the contract must be performed within the framework of sheltered employment programmes: No

Electronic invoicing: Required

Electronic ordering will be used: yes

Electronic payment will be used: yes

5.1.15 Techniques

Framework agreement:

No framework agreement

Information about the dynamic purchasing system:

No dynamic purchase system

5.1.16 Further information, mediation and review

Review organisation: The High Court of Ireland

Information about review deadlines: TBC

Organisation providing offline access to the procurement documents: Sligo County Council

Organisation receiving requests to participate: Sligo County Council

Organisation processing tenders: Sligo County Council

8 Organisations

8.1 ORG-0001

Official name: Sligo County Council

Registration number: 9586690F

Postal address: County Hall, Riverside

Town: Sligo

Postcode: F91 Y763

Country subdivision (NUTS): Border (IE041)

Country: Ireland

Email: procurement@sligococo.ie

Telephone: 0719111111

Internet address: <https://www.sligococo.ie>

Buyer profile: <https://www.sligococo.ie>

Roles of this organisation:

Buyer

Organisation providing offline access to the procurement documents

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8.1 ORG-0002

Official name: The High Court of Ireland
Registration number: The High Court of Ireland
Department: The High Court of Ireland
Postal address: Four Courts, Inns Quay, Dublin 7
Town: Dublin
Postcode: D07 WDX8
Country subdivision (NUTS): Dublin (IE061)
Country: Ireland
Email: HighCourtCentralOffice@courts.ie
Telephone: +353 1 8886000
Roles of this organisation:
Review organisation

8.1 ORG-0003

Official name: European Dynamics S.A.
Registration number: 002024901000
Department: European Dynamics S.A.
Town: Athens
Postcode: 15125
Country subdivision (NUTS): Βόρειος Τομέας Αθηνών (EL301)
Country: Greece
Email: eproc-esender@eurodyn.com
Telephone: +30 2108094500
Roles of this organisation:
TED eSender

Notice information

Notice identifier/version: 31cd0481-e295-405d-a4fc-0dae54a174c5 - 01
Form type: Competition
Notice type: Contract or concession notice – standard regime
Notice dispatch date: 11/07/2025 12:34 +01:00
Languages in which this notice is officially available: English