

# **Ireland: Evaluation consultancy services**

## **Evaluation of Creative Ireland's Shared Island initiative, 2026-2028**

Contract or concession notice – standard regime

### **1 Buyer**

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#### **1.1 Buyer**

*Official name:* Department of Culture Communications Sport

*Legal type of the buyer:* Central government authority

*Activity of the contracting authority:* General public services

### **2 Procedure**

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#### **2.1 Procedure**

*Title:* Evaluation of Creative Ireland's Shared Island initiative, 2026-2028

*Description:* In 2022 the Creative Ireland Programme was allocated €6 million over three years (2023-25) to invest in creative initiatives under the Government's Shared Island initiative. 2023 marked the first year of Creative Ireland's participation in the initiative, which aims to harness the full potential of the Good Friday Agreement to enhance cooperation, connection and mutual understanding on the island and engage with all communities and traditions to build consensus around a shared future. The Shared Island dimension to the Creative Ireland Programme seeks to deploy creativity on a shared island basis to: 1. Increase opportunities for cross-community cultural and creative initiatives between children and young people; 2. Support local authorities to enhance networks of creativity in support of vibrant and inclusive people-to-people and community-to-community partnerships; 3. Position Ireland as a global leader in demonstrating the value of creativity and mental health including in post-conflict societies; 4. Deepen collaborations for a more environmentally and socially sustainable island. An evaluation of the first phase was published in March 2026 and is available in the publications section of Creative Ireland's website. Following a government decision, Creative Ireland's Shared Island initiative has received €9.3m in funding for a second phase from 2026-2028. Following a series of recent grant calls, Creative Ireland is working to evaluate applications with the intention of awarding grants in June 2026. There will be approximately 23 Creative Ireland Shared Island projects based throughout the island of Ireland, each with its own individual project-level evaluator. It is intended that an evaluator will be in place from the outset of this iteration of the initiative to undertake the following: 1. Undertake an economic appraisal of Creative Ireland's Shared Island initiative 2026-2028, 2. Undertake a qualitative analysis of the initiative, 3. Develop the capacity of the individual project-level evaluators by managing a formal evaluator network. Further information on these requirements is outlined in the tender document. The project delivery timeline and outputs will be agreed with the successful tenderer at the outset of the project but will include an interim Report and a Final Report. In order to preserve the independence of the evaluation element of the project, Requirements 1 and 2 will need to be undertaken in isolation from Requirement 3. It is incumbent on tenderers to demonstrate that they have the capacity and resources to carry out these different elements in this manner.

*Procedure identifier:* 455e4ff2-670b-44b1-b82c-00c054b05c0c

*Type of procedure:* Open

*The procedure is accelerated:* no

##### **2.1.1 Purpose**

*Main nature of the contract:* Services

*Main classification (cpv):* 79419000 Evaluation consultancy services

*Additional classification (cpv):* 79311400 Economic research services

*Additional classification (cpv):* 79311410 Economic impact assessment

*Additional classification (cpv): 73210000 Research consultancy services*  
*Additional classification (cpv): 73220000 Development consultancy services*

### **2.1.2 Place of performance**

*Country subdivision (NUTS): Dublin (IE061)*

*Country: Ireland*

### **2.1.3 Value**

*Estimated value excluding VAT: 195 000 Euro*

### **2.1.4 General information**

*Legal basis:*

*Directive 2014/24/EU*

### **2.1.6 Grounds for exclusion**

*Sources of grounds for exclusion: European Single Procurement Document (ESPD)*

## **5 Lot**

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### **5.1 Lot: LOT-0001**

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*Internal identifier: 0*

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*Additional classification (cpv): 73220000 Development consultancy services*  
*Quantity: 1*

#### **5.1.2 Place of performance**

*Country subdivision (NUTS): Dublin (IE061)*  
*Country: Ireland*  
*Additional information:*

#### **5.1.3 Estimated duration**

*Duration: 36 Month*

#### **5.1.5 Value**

*Estimated value excluding VAT: 195 000 Euro*

#### **5.1.6 General information**

*Reserved participation: Participation is not reserved.*  
*Procurement Project not financed with EU Funds.*  
*The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): yes*

#### **5.1.7 Strategic procurement**

*Aim of strategic procurement: No strategic procurement*

#### **5.1.9 Selection criteria**

*Sources of selection criteria: European Single Procurement Document (ESPD)*

#### **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*  
*Deadline for requesting additional information: 11/05/2026 17:00 +01:00*  
*Address of the procurement documents: <https://www.etenders.gov.ie/epps/cft/listContractDocuments.do?resourceId=7925286>*

#### **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=7925286>*  
*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: 25/05/2026 17:00 +01:00*  
*Duration during which the tender must remain valid: 90 Day*  
*Information about public opening:*  
*Opening date: 25/05/2026 17:30 +01:00*  
*Place: <https://www.etenders.gov.ie/epps/cft/prepareViewCfTWS.do?resourceId=7925286>*  
*Terms of contract:*  
*The execution of the contract must be performed within the framework of sheltered employment programmes: No*  
*Electronic invoicing: Allowed*  
*Electronic ordering will be used: no*  
*Electronic payment will be used: no*

### 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

*Organisation providing offline access to the procurement documents:* Department of Culture Communications Sport

*Organisation providing more information on the review procedures:* The High Court of Ireland

*Organisation receiving requests to participate:* Department of Culture Communications Sport

*Organisation processing tenders:* Department of Culture Communications Sport

## 8 Organisations

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### 8.1 ORG-0001

*Official name:* Department of Culture Communications Sport

*Registration number:* 4000113V

*Postal address:* Government Buildings, New Road

*Town:* Killarney

*Postcode:* V93 A49X

*Country subdivision (NUTS):* Dublin (IE061)

*Country:* Ireland

*Email:* [procurement@ccs.gov.ie](mailto:procurement@ccs.gov.ie)

*Telephone:* (064) 662 7300

*Internet address:* <https://www.gov.ie/en/organisation/departments-of-culture-communications-and-sport>

*Buyer profile:* <https://www.gov.ie/en/organisation/departments-of-culture-communications-and-sport>

*Roles of this organisation:*

*Buyer*

*Organisation providing offline access to the procurement documents*

*Organisation receiving requests to participate*

*Organisation processing tenders*

### 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](mailto:HighCourtCentralOffice@courts.ie)

*Telephone:* +353 1 8886000

*Roles of this organisation:*

*Review organisation*

*Organisation providing more information on the review procedures*

### 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](mailto:eproc-esender@eurodyn.com)  
*Telephone:* +30 2108094500  
*Roles of this organisation:*  
*TED eSender*

#### *Notice information*

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*Notice identifier/version:* 63f675c9-d32c-4dbd-a43e-73e7fe7f40a9 - 01  
*Form type:* Competition  
*Notice type:* Contract or concession notice – standard regime  
*Notice dispatch date:* 17/04/2026 13:57 +01:00  
*Languages in which this notice is officially available:* English