

Ireland: Legal services

Multisupplier Framework for the provision of Barrister Services (2026P031)

Contract notice – light regime

1 Buyer

1.1 Buyer

Official name: Central Bank of Ireland

Legal type of the buyer: Body governed by public law

Activity of the contracting authority: Economic affairs

2 Procedure

2.1 Procedure

Title: Multisupplier Framework for the provision of Barrister Services (2026P031)

Description: The Central Bank invites Tenders for appointment to a Framework Agreement for the provision of legal services (more fully described at Appendix 1A of the ITT document). The legal services are required in respect of the following two (2) separate lots: Lot D1 - Senior Counsel and Lot D2 - Junior Counsel (7+ years PQE).

Procedure identifier: 6a4fb05f-30d9-4cba-89aa-7f551bb86358

Internal identifier: 2026P031

Type of procedure: Open

Main features of the procedure: Open procedure

2.1.1 Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 79100000 Legal services

Additional classification (cpv): 79110000 Legal advisory and representation services

Additional classification (cpv): 79111000 Legal advisory services

Additional classification (cpv): 79112000 Legal representation services

Additional classification (cpv): 79140000 Legal advisory and information services

2.1.2 Place of performance

Country subdivision (NUTS): Dublin (IE061)

Country: Ireland

2.1.3 Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 0 Euro

Maximum value of the framework agreement: 9 000 000 Euro

2.1.4 General information

This procedure will be relaunched

Additional information: Tenderers should note that this competition is being run under Regulation 74 of the European Union (Award of Public Authority Contracts) Regulations 2016 (the 'Regulations'), and accordingly is subject only to limited aspects of the Regulations. As this is a framework, the values outlined below per lot, are estimated figures only, over the full duration of the framework. Lot D1 – Senior Counsel – estimated framework value range is between EUR 2,000,000 — EUR 5,000,000 and Lot D2 – Junior Counsel (7+ PQE) estimated framework value range is between EUR 1,000,000 — EUR 4,000,000. The figure in the estimated framework values per lot outlined above represents the Central Bank's current best estimate of the anticipated total value per lot if fully extended, but it is not possible

to be definitive in this regard by virtue of nature of the relevant services. These figures represent estimates only and do not amount to a guarantee that any purchases will be made pursuant to the Framework Agreement. The total values may be significantly lower, or indeed significantly higher than the figures estimated per lot. The maximum number to be admitted to each framework lot is 15. Call-off contracts awarded during the framework term may be for periods continuing after the expiry of the framework term. Tenderers should send in relevant response documents for whichever lot they are tendering for in accordance with the requirements set out in the ITT.

Legal basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

2.1.5 Terms of procurement

Terms of submission:

Maximum number of lots for which one tenderer can submit tenders: 1

Terms of contract:

Maximum number of lots for which contracts can be awarded to one tenderer: 1

2.1.6 Grounds for exclusion

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

5 Lot

5.1 Lot: LOT-0001

Title: Lot D1 - Senior Counsel

Description: The Central Bank invites Tenders for appointment to a Framework Agreement for the provision of legal services (more fully described at Appendix 1A of the ITT document). The legal services are required in respect of the following lot: Lot D1 - Senior Counsel

Internal identifier: 2026P031 - Lot D1

5.1.1 Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 79100000 Legal services

Additional classification (cpv): 79110000 Legal advisory and representation services

Additional classification (cpv): 79111000 Legal advisory services

Additional classification (cpv): 79112000 Legal representation services

Additional classification (cpv): 79140000 Legal advisory and information services

Options:

Description of the options: The duration of the Framework Agreement is intended to be for four (4) years, although the Central Bank has the right to terminate it earlier. The Central Bank also has the right to extend the duration of the Framework Agreement by any period or series of periods up to a total of one (1) year, so that the Framework Agreement may ultimately have a maximum total duration of five (5) years.

5.1.2 Place of performance

Country subdivision (NUTS): Dublin (IE061)

Country: Ireland

Additional information:

5.1.3 Estimated duration

Duration: 5 Year

5.1.4 Renewal

Maximum renewals: 1

5.1.5 Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 5 000 000 Euro

5.1.6 General information

Reserved participation: Participation is not reserved.

Procurement Project not financed with EU Funds.

This procurement is also suitable for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs): yes

Additional information: Tenderers should note that this competition is being run under Regulation 74 of the European Union (Award of Public Authority Contracts) Regulations 2016 (the 'Regulations'), and accordingly is subject only to limited aspects of the Regulations. As this is a framework, the values outlined below per lot, are estimated figures only, over the full duration of the framework. Lot D1 – Senior Counsel – estimated framework value range is between EUR 2,000,000 — EUR 5,000,000 and Lot D2 – Junior Counsel (7+ PQE) estimated framework value range is between EUR 1,000,000 — EUR 4,000,000. The figure in the estimated framework values per lot outlined above represents the Central Bank's current best estimate of the anticipated total value per lot if fully extended, but it is not possible to be definitive in this regard by virtue of nature of the relevant services. These figures represent estimates only and do not amount to a guarantee that any purchases will be made pursuant to the Framework Agreement. The total values may be significantly lower, or indeed significantly higher than the figures estimated per lot. The maximum number to be admitted to each framework is 15. Call-off contracts awarded during the framework term may be for periods continuing after the expiry of the framework term. Tenderers are required to submit the relevant documents for whichever lot they are tendering for, in accordance with the requirements set out in the ITT.

5.1.7 Strategic procurement

Aim of strategic procurement: No strategic procurement

5.1.9 Selection criteria

Sources of selection criteria: Procurement Document

5.1.10 Award criteria

Criterion:

Type: Quality

Description: Quality of expertise and experience (700 marks)

Criterion:

Type: Price

Description: Price (300 marks)

5.1.11 Procurement documents

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

Deadline for requesting additional information: 18/05/2026 12:00 +01:00

Address of the procurement documents: <https://www.etenders.gov.ie/epps/cft/listContractDocuments.do?resourceId=7969509>

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=7969509>

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: 08/06/2026 12:00 +01:00

Duration during which the tender must remain valid: 12 Month

Information about public opening:

Opening date: 08/06/2026 12:30 +01:00

Place: <https://www.etenders.gov.ie/epps/cft/prepareViewCFTWS.do?resourceId=7969509>

Terms of contract:

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

5.1.15 Techniques

Framework agreement:

Framework agreement, without reopening of competition

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: Central Bank of Ireland

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

Organisation receiving requests to participate: Central Bank of Ireland

Organisation processing tenders: Central Bank of Ireland

5.1 Lot: LOT-0002

Title: Lot D2 - Junior Counsel (7+PQE)

Description: The Central Bank invites Tenders for appointment to a Framework Agreement for the provision of legal services (more fully described at Appendix 1A of the ITT document). The legal services are required in respect of the following: Lot D2 - Junior Counsel (7+ years PQE).

Internal identifier: 2026P031 - Lot D2

5.1.1 Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 79100000 Legal services

Additional classification (cpv): 79110000 Legal advisory and representation services

Additional classification (cpv): 79111000 Legal advisory services

Additional classification (cpv): 79112000 Legal representation services

Additional classification (cpv): 79140000 Legal advisory and information services

Options:

Description of the options: The duration of the Framework Agreement is intended to be for four (4) years, although the Central Bank has the right to terminate it earlier. The Central Bank has the right to extend the duration of the Framework Agreement by any period or series of periods up to a total of one (1) year, so that the Framework Agreement may ultimately have a maximum total duration of five (5) years.

5.1.2 Place of performance

Country subdivision (NUTS): Dublin (IE061)

Country: Ireland

Additional information:

5.1.3 Estimated duration

Duration: 5 Year

5.1.4 Renewal

Maximum renewals: 1

5.1.5 Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 4 000 000 Euro

5.1.6 General information

Reserved participation: Participation is not reserved.

Procurement Project not financed with EU Funds.

This procurement is also suitable for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs): yes

5.1.7 Strategic procurement

Aim of strategic procurement: No strategic procurement

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5.1.9 Selection criteria

Sources of selection criteria: Procurement Document

5.1.10 Award criteria

Criterion:

Type: Quality

Description: Quality of expertise and experience (700 marks)

Criterion:

Type: Price

Description: Price (300 marks)

Description of the method to be used if weighting cannot be expressed by criteria: 300 marks

5.1.11 Procurement documents

Deadline for requesting additional information: 15/05/2026 12:00 +01:00

Address of the procurement documents: <https://www.etenders.gov.ie/epps/cft/listContractDocuments.do?resourceId=7969509>

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=7969509>

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: 08/06/2026 12:00 +01:00

Information about public opening:

Opening date: 08/06/2026 12:30 +01:00

Place: <https://www.etenders.gov.ie/epps/cft/prepareViewCfTWS.do?resourceId=7969509>

Terms of contract:

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

5.1.15 Techniques

Framework agreement:

Framework agreement, without reopening of competition

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: Central Bank of Ireland

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

Organisation receiving requests to participate: Central Bank of Ireland

Organisation processing tenders: Central Bank of Ireland

8.1 ORG-0001

Official name: Central Bank of Ireland

Registration number: N/A

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Buyer profile: <http://www.centralbank.ie>

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

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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)

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Roles of this organisation:

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