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**Ireland-Dublin: Legal advisory and representation services  
2023/S 048-140037**

**Contract notice**

**Services**

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

**Section I: Contracting authority**

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Official name: Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman

National registration number: N/A

Postal address: Lincoln House

Town: Dublin 2

NUTS code: IE061 Dublin

Postal code: Lincoln Place

Country: Ireland

E-mail: [leo@iprocare.ie](mailto:leo@iprocare.ie)

**Internet address(es):**

Main address: [www.fspo.ie](http://www.fspo.ie)

Address of the buyer profile: <https://irl.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/548>

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: [http://irl.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance\\_s.asp?PID=235441&B=ETENDERS\\_SIMPLE](http://irl.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=235441&B=ETENDERS_SIMPLE)

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: [http://irl.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance\\_s.asp?PID=235441&B=ETENDERS\\_SIMPLE](http://irl.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=235441&B=ETENDERS_SIMPLE)

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**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title:**

Establishment of a Multi-Party Framework Agreement for the provision of Legal Advisory Services and related Litigation Services

Reference number: FSPO03032023

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

79110000 Legal advisory and representation services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

II.1.4) **Short description:**

The establishment of a multi-party Framework Agreement for Legal advisory services and related litigation services, to include statutory appeals, judicial review proceedings and enforcement actions, as set out in more detail in the tender documents.

II.1.5) **Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 1 500 000.00 EUR

II.1.6) **Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2) **Description**

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

79100000 Legal services  
79111000 Legal advisory services  
79112000 Legal representation services  
79140000 Legal advisory and information services

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: IE0 Ireland

II.2.4) **Description of the procurement:**

The establishment of a multi-party Framework Agreement for Legal advisory services and related litigation services, to include statutory appeals, judicial review proceedings and enforcement actions, as set out in more detail in the tender documents.

FSPO requires legal advisory services and all related litigation services including statutory appeals and judicial review proceedings.

• Legal advisory services and all related litigation services in relation to:

1. Statutory Appeals of Decisions of the FSPO under s64 of the FSPO Act.
2. Judicial Review proceedings or other applications to the Court, arising from the FSPO Act or otherwise.
3. Enforcement actions under s65 of the FSPO Act.

• Legal advisory services on the FSPO's statutory functions and powers under the FSPO Act.

• Legal advisory services on all relevant laws or other instruments, which may impact upon the work and functions of the FSPO. This includes, but is not limited to, Domestic Legislation (Acts and statutory instruments), European Legislation (Directives and Regulations), Guidelines, Codes and Standards and advice on any public consultation process.

• Legal advisory services on FSPO procedures including, but not limited to, process reviews, standard operating procedures (SOPs) and guidelines.

• Legal advisory services on FSPO communications. This includes but is not limited to reports, publications, letters, memoranda, emails, correspondence, agreements and documents arising from the work and functions of the FSPO.

• Other advice and legal support, including future assignments/secondments to the FSPO as required, arising from the functions and role of the FSPO generally and/or as specific legal issues may arise from time to time. For the avoidance of doubt, pre-existing assignments/secondments to the FSPO for the provision of the above services will not be affected by the establishment of a multi-party Framework Agreement for Legal advisory services and related litigation services. Pre-existing assignments/secondments will remain in place in accordance with any existing agreement.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 1 500 000.00 EUR

II.2.7) **Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months: 48

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Description of renewals:

Any Framework Agreement that may result from this competition will be for an initial period of two (2) years.

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to extend the Term for a period or periods of up to 12 months with a maximum of two (2) such extension or extensions on the same terms and conditions, subject to the Contracting Authority's obligations at law.

II.2.10) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: yes

Description of options:

Any Framework Agreement that may result from this competition will be for an initial period of two (2) years.

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to extend the Term for a period or periods of up to 12 months with a maximum of two (2) such extension or extensions on the same terms and conditions, subject to the Contracting Authority's obligations at law.

II.2.13) **Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no

II.2.14) **Additional information**

**Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

III.1) **Conditions for participation**

III.1.1) **Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions:

Please consult the RFT documentation for this competition

III.1.2) **Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) **Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.2) **Conditions related to the contract**

III.2.2) **Contract performance conditions:**

Please consult the RFT documentation for this competition

**Section IV: Procedure**

IV.1) **Description**

IV.1.1) **Type of procedure**

Open procedure

IV.1.3) **Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 4

IV.1.8) **Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

IV.2) **Administrative information**

IV.2.2) **Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date: 06/04/2023

Local time: 12:00

IV.2.3) **Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

IV.2.4) **Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted:**

English

IV.2.6) **Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Tender must be valid until: 06/10/2023

IV.2.7) **Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date: 06/04/2023

Local time: 12:00

**Section VI: Complementary information**

VI.1) **Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.3) **Additional information:**

VI.4) **Procedures for review**

VI.4.1) **Review body**

Official name: The High Court of Ireland

Town: Dublin

Country: Ireland

VI.4.3) **Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

Please consult with your own legal advisors

VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**

03/03/2023