

337765-2026 - Result

Ireland – Consultative engineering and construction services – Direct Award of Contract to Equilibrant Ltd for the carrying out of underwater scour inspections on 43 bridges and prepare reports

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**Contract or concession award notice – standard regime
Services**

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

Official name: Dublin City Council

Email: joseph.kelly@dublincity.ie

Legal type of the buyer: Local authority

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

2. Procedure

2.1. Procedure

Title: Direct Award of Contract to Equilibrant Ltd for the carrying out of underwater scour inspections on 43 bridges and prepare reports

Description: Dublin City Council has invoked Article 32 Clause 3 (c) of Directive 2014/24/EU which states that the negotiated procedure without prior call for competition can be used in so far as is strictly necessary where, for reasons of extreme urgency brought about by events unforeseeable by the contracting authority, the time limits for the open or restricted procedures or competitive procedures with negotiation cannot be complied with. The circumstances invoked to justify extreme urgency shall not in any event be attributable to the contracting authority. A contract has been directly awarded to Equilibrant Ltd, Consulting Engineers, Unit 45, North City Business Centre, 2 Duncairn Gardens, Belfast, BT15 2GG to carry out underwater scour inspections on 43 bridges and prepare reports in accordance with the specification prepared by AtkinsRéalis. On the 29th of January 2026 Dublin City Council received a circular from the TII (ref number 02/2026) advising that inspections of bridges and other road structures should be carried out following severe rainfall events. Scour is the leading cause of bridge failures in the last 100 years. Nearly all of Dublin City Council's bridges span rivers & canals with the highest risk arising from collapse due to scour of foundations. Dublin City Council has many masonry arch bridges and bridges with piers that are located in the river beds on shallow pad foundations making the bridges vulnerable to scour damage. The main reason why masonry arch bridges collapse is due to scour of foundations as a result of increased water velocity and a high hydraulic head and involves the removal of material from the bed and banks of a channel and from around structure foundations by the action of water, leading to structural damage or failure. Due to climate change water levels are higher during floods and the frequency of flooding has got greater given rise to the risk of more scour to foundations.

Procedure identifier: 15c706e8-8181-45f3-be25-8acb87e37941

Type of procedure: Negotiated without prior call for competition

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 71310000 Consultative engineering and construction services

2.1.2. Place of performance

Country subdivision (NUTS): Dublin (IE061)

Country: Ireland

2.1.3. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 118 250,00 EUR

2.1.4. General information

Legal basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

5. Lot

5.1. Lot: LOT-0001

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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

5.1.10. Award criteria

Criterion:

Type: Cost

Description: 100% @ Cost

Category of award weight criterion: Weight (percentage, exact)

Award criterion number: 100

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

6. Results

Value of all contracts awarded in this notice: 118 250,00 EUR

Direct award

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Justification for direct award: Extreme urgency brought about by events unforeseeable for the buyer

Other justification: Dublin City Council has invoked Article 32 Clause 3 (c) of Directive 2014/24 /EU which states that the negotiated procedure without prior call for competition can be used in so far as is strictly necessary where, for reasons of extreme urgency brought about by events unforeseeable by the contracting authority, the time limits for the open or restricted procedures or competitive procedures with negotiation cannot be complied with. The circumstances invoked to justify extreme urgency shall not in any event be attributable to the contracting authority. A contract has been directly awarded to Equilibrant Ltd, Consulting Engineers, Unit 45, North City Business Centre, 2 Duncairn Gardens, Belfast, BT15 2GG to carry out underwater scour inspections on 43 bridges and prepare reports in accordance with the specification prepared by AtkinsRéalis. On the 29th of January 2026 Dublin City Council received a circular from the TII (ref number 02/2026) advising that inspections of bridges and other road structures should be carried out following severe rainfall events. Scour is the leading cause of bridge failures in the last 100 years. Nearly all of Dublin City Council's bridges span rivers & canals with the highest risk arising from collapse due to scour of foundations. Dublin City Council has many masonry arch bridges and bridges with piers that are located in the river beds on shallow pad foundations making the bridges vulnerable to scour damage. The main reason why masonry arch bridges collapse is due to scour of foundations as a result of increased water velocity and a high hydraulic head and involves the removal of material from the bed and banks of a channel and from around structure foundations by the action of water, leading to structural damage or failure. Due to climate

change water levels are higher during floods and the frequency of flooding has got greater given rise to the risk of more scour to foundations.

6.1. Result lot identifier: LOT-0001

Winner selection status: At least one winner was chosen.

6.1.2. Information about winners

Winner:

Official name: Equilibrant Ltd

Tender:

Tender identifier: Direct Award of Contract to Equilibrant Ltd for the carrying out of underwater scour inspections on 43 bridges and prepare reports

Identifier of lot or group of lots: LOT-0001

Value of the tender: 118 250,00 EUR

Subcontracting: No

Contract information:

Identifier of the contract: Direct Award of Contract to Equilibrant Ltd for the carrying out of underwater scour inspections on 43 bridges and prepare reports

6.1.4. Statistical information

Received tenders or requests to participate:

Type of received submissions: Tenders

Number of tenders or requests to participate received: 1

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

Official name: Dublin City Council

Registration number: IE4773215U

Postal address: Civic Offices, Wood Quay

Town: Dublin

Postcode: D08 RF3F

Country subdivision (NUTS): Dublin (IE061)

Country: Ireland

Email: joseph.kelly@dublincity.ie

Telephone: 01 222222

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

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

Roles of this organisation:

Buyer

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

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

Telephone: +30 2108094500

Roles of this organisation:

TED eSender

8.1. ORG-0004

Official name: Equilibrant Ltd

Size of the economic operator: Micro, small, or medium

Registration number: GB981117030

Postal address: North City Business Centre, 2 Duncairn Gardens

Town: Belfast

Postcode: BT15 2GG

Country: United Kingdom

Roles of this organisation:

Tenderer

Winner of these lots: LOT-0001

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