

**United Kingdom-Belfast: Legal services**  
**OJ S 230/2017 30/11/2017**  
**Contract award notice**  
**Services**

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

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**Section I: Contracting authority**

**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: Education Authority NI

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Town: Belfast

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

Postal code: BT1 2NQ

Country: United Kingdom

Contact person: David Gilmore

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**Internet address(es):**

Main address: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Address of the buyer profile: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: Council for Catholic Maintained Schools

Postal address: 160 High Street

Town: Holywood

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

Postal code: BT18 9HT

Country: United Kingdom

E-mail: [procurement@eani.org.uk](mailto:procurement@eani.org.uk)

**Internet address(es):**

Main address: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

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**I.2. Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

Regional or local authority

**I.5. Main activity**

Education

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1. Title**

70125 Legal Advice and Representation to CCMS.

**II.1.2. Main CPV code**

79100000 Legal services

**II.1.3. Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4. Short description**

EA Tender 70125 — Legal Advice and Representation to CCMS. The Education Authority (EA) invites tenders on behalf of Council for Catholic Maintained Schools (CCMS) from firms of solicitors for the Provision of Legal Advice and Representation to the Boards of Governors of Catholic Maintained Schools and/or CCMS itself when requested in the matters set out in the Specification, as and when requested, for the period 1.5.2016 to 30.4.2019 with an option to extend for a further 12 months. It is anticipated that the majority of work allocated to the successful tenderers will involve employment law with a smaller amount of work related to public administrative law matters (and in particular the defence of threatened or actual judicial review applications). The tender will appoint 2 firms of solicitors to act for CCMS as well as, where appropriate, the Board of Governors of a Catholic Maintained School on an as and when required basis in accordance with the Specification, the Standard Conditions of Retainer, the Standard Conditions of Contract and pricing arrangements for this Tender. The Firm ranked first after evaluation will be the principal provider of legal advice and representation to the CCMS/Boards of Governors of Catholic Maintained Schools ('the Principal Firm') whilst the Firm ranked second after evaluation will be the secondary provider of legal advice and representation to the CCMS/Boards of Governors of Catholic Maintained Schools ('the Secondary Firm'). On occasion either firm may be asked by the Education Authority to act for it and/or the Board of Governors of a controlled school and/or the Board of Governors of an Irish Medium school in accordance with the Specification, the Standard Conditions of Retainer, the Standard Conditions of Contract and pricing arrangements for this Tender and subject to there being no conflict with the interests of CCMS.

**II.1.6. Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

**II.1.7. Total value of the procurement**

Value excluding VAT: 250 000,00 GBP

**II.2. Description**

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

79110000 Legal advisory and representation services, 79111000 Legal advisory services, 79112000 Legal representation services, 79140000 Legal advisory and information services

**II.2.3. Place of performance**

NUTS code: UKN Northern Ireland

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

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#### **II.2.5. Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Experience in employment law / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Experience in public administrative law / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Quality assurance / Weighting: 7.5

Quality criterion - Name: Added value / Weighting: 12.5

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 40

#### **II.2.11. Information about options**

Options: yes

Description of options:

Option to extend for a further month period from 30.4.2019.

#### **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 IV: Procedure**

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#### **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

##### **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.2.1. Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number in the OJ S: [2016/S 046-076196](#)

##### **IV.2.8. Information about termination of dynamic purchasing system**

## IV.2.9. Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

### Section V: Award of contract

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**Contract No:** 1

**Title:**

Contract

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

#### V.2. Award of contract

##### V.2.1. Date of conclusion of the contract

01/05/2016

##### V.2.2. Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 10

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 8

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 10

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: yes

##### V.2.3. Name and address of the contractor

Official name: A L Goodbody

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Town: Belfast

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The contractor is an SME: no

##### V.2.3. Name and address of the contractor

Official name: Napier Sons Solicitors

Postal address: 1-9 Castle Arcade

Town: Belfast

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

Postal code: BT1 5DF

Country: United Kingdom

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Fax: +44 28-90330330

Internet address: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

The contractor is an SME: no

##### V.2.4. Information on value of the contract/lot

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: 250 000,00 GBP

Total value of the contract/lot: 250 000,00 GBP

##### V.2.5. Information about subcontracting

## **Section VI: Complementary information**

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### **VI.3. Additional information**

### **VI.4. Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1. Review body**

Official name: Education Authority  
Postal address: 40 Academy Street  
Town: Belfast  
Postal code: BT1 2NQ  
Country: United Kingdom

### **VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice**

29/11/2017