

512911-2026 - Competition

Ireland – Administration services – Research Services for Updating QQI's Standards-based Assessment Infrastructure for FET and HE in Ireland

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Contract or concession notice – standard regime
Services

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

Official name: Quality and Qualifications Ireland (QQI)

Email: LBUTLER@QQI.IE

Legal type of the buyer: Public undertaking, controlled by a central government authority

Activity of the contracting authority: Education

2. Procedure

2.1. Procedure

Title: Research Services for Updating QQI's Standards-based Assessment Infrastructure for FET and HE in Ireland

Description: QQI is the Qualifications and Quality Assurance Authority of Ireland with responsibility for (among other things) • the external quality assurance of providers of further education (FET) and training or higher education (HE) (providers) in Ireland including designated, delegated and listed awarding bodies. • the external quality assurance of designated and listed awarding bodies that are not providers. • the provision of statutory guidelines on the quality assurance of education, training, research and related services. • determining national policies and criteria for access, transfer and progression in relation to learners (ATP), and monitoring the implementation of procedures for ATP by providers. • promoting, maintaining, further developing and implementing the National Framework of Qualifications (NFQ), which is a system of levels and types for awards of qualifications based on standards of knowledge, skill or competence . • deciding which awards are included in the NFQ. • facilitating the recognition of qualifications inside and outside the state. In summary the services comprise the establishment of a validated evidence base for QQI to use when updating its standards-based assessment infrastructure for further education and training and higher education in Ireland. QQI wishes to discover stakeholders' views on issues that might be addressed in that regard including what is working well and what is not. The focus is on the quality assurance of assessment including its interpretations and uses and not on specific techniques for assessment. It is also seeking to better understand the national context for standards-based assessment including how awarding bodies in Ireland satisfy themselves of the effectiveness of their standards-based assessment-related policies considering that assessment has both summative and formative purposes. Finally, QQI is interested in a comparison of practices of a selection of awarding bodies, providers, quality assurance agencies, and regulators in other countries to the quality assurance of standards-based assessment including its interpretations and uses with those in Ireland

Procedure identifier: 7d3497e4-7bdd-4695-be47-cf83669676a3

Type of procedure: Open

The procedure is accelerated: no

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 75100000 Administration services

Additional classification (cpv): 80000000 Education and training services

2.1.2. Place of performance

Town: Dublin

Country subdivision (NUTS): Dublin (IE061)

Country: Ireland

2.1.3. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 160 000,00 EUR

2.1.4. General information

Legal basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

2.1.6. Grounds for exclusion

Sources of grounds for exclusion: Procurement Document

5. Lot

5.1. Lot: LOT-0001

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5.1.3. Estimated duration

Duration: 18 Months

5.1.5. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 160 000,00 EUR

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: Procurement Document

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: 11/09/2026 23:45:00 (UTC+01:00) Central
European Time, Western European Summer Time

Address of the procurement documents: <https://www.etenders.gov.ie/epps/cft/listContractDocuments.do?resourceId=8702808>

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=8702808>

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: 30/09/2026 12:00:00 (UTC+01:00) Central European Time,
Western European Summer Time

Duration during which the tender must remain valid: 6 Days

Information about public opening:

Opening date: 02/10/2026 00:00:00 (UTC+01:00) Central European Time, Western European
Summer Time

Place: <https://www.etenders.gov.ie/epps/cft/prepareViewCfTWS.do?resourceId=8702808>

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: yes

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: Quality and Qualifications Ireland (QQI)

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

Organisation receiving requests to participate: Quality and Qualifications Ireland (QQI)

Organisation processing tenders: Quality and Qualifications Ireland (QQI)

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

Official name: Quality and Qualifications Ireland (QQI)

Registration number: n/a

Postal address: 26/27 Denzille Lane

Town: Dublin

Postcode: D02 P266

Country subdivision (NUTS): Dublin (IE061)

Country: Ireland

Email: LBUTLER@QQI.IE

Telephone: 0876993996

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

Buyer profile: <https://www.qqi.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

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

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