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**FAX + REGISTERED LETTER**

**Subject:** Call for Tender 10186, clarification No 7

**Title:** "Production and dissemination of the Supplement to the Official Journal of the European Union: TED website, OJS DVD-ROM and related offline and online media"

**Ref.:** (09) 22030 and 22678 of 06/02/2009  
(09) 20482 of 09/02/2009  
(09) 21129 and 21137 of 10/02/2009

Dear Sir, Madam,

Please note the following answers to questions raised concerning the above-mentioned invitation to tender:

*Q1: Technical Specifications, point 4.2.2*

*The specifications state: "The contractor will be responsible for producing the notices for their availability in the extended summary view of the TED website."*

- a) Can you confirm that the PDF files of the extended summary view of the TED application have to be produced in PDF 1.4?*
- b) Is our assumption correct that the extended summary view of an original language should not be made available on TED because this is a priori the same document view as the original language tab offers? If not please clarify.*
- c) If this is the case, no trusted time-stamped PDF/A -1a must be produced for the extended summary view of an original language. Is this correct?*

**A1:**

- a) Yes. This is correct.**
- b) Yes, when browsing in the original languages of a document the extended summary view should not be offered since this would correspond exactly to the original notice. Please note that some notices have more than one original language version.**

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- c) The time stamped PDF/A is to be generated only for the original language. There is no need to generate it for any other views of the document.

Q2: *Technical Specifications, point 4.2.2*

*The specifications state: "The contractor will publish and deliver the notices as XML instances, the trusted time-stamped/digitally signed PDF files (the stamping will be carried out by the Publications Office via a process developed by the contractor) and the PDF files of the notices sent to them in XML format."*

*What is the scope of the PDF files that have to be accessible on the TED site?*

- a) All valid notices*
- b) All notices of the archive*
- c) All the notices from the beginning of the new contract*
- d) Any other scope...*

A2: The PDF files that have to be accessible on the TED site are all notices of the archive and the valid notices. But the trusted time-stamped PDF/A-1 will be only generated in the scope of the new contract, starting on the first production day.

Q3: *The specifications state: "No notices can be removed from the archive even after 5 years if it is still part of a family view."*

- a) Notices before 2004 are no more available in the archive currently. If a future notice refers to a notice published before 2004, should this be treated as a family case (means to make notices before 2004 instantly accessible again) or should this be ignored?*
- b) Is our assumption correct to rebuild all possible families or the archive notices and make all notices accessible again which are belonging to these families and are published before 2004?*

A3: Currently it is not possible to access documents older than 5 years, however this option will become available with the new contract and will not concern documents published before 2004. The contractor will have to make available only notices that he himself could have removed from the accessible archives.

Q4: *Technical Specifications, point 4.2.4.1.6*

*The specifications state: "The help pages should be closely linked to a help assistant, which the user may activate when he needs specific help on a specific page."*

*Please elaborate further on the term "help assistant" providing a description or examples for this functionality.*

A4: The Publications Office expects the tenders to suggest an easy-to-use and ergonomic tool to facilitate the access to the help information

Q5: *Technical Specifications, point 4.2.4.2*

*The specifications state: "Features described under points 4.2.2.3.1 to 4.2.2.3.8 are to be included in a section entitled My TED."*

*The references 4.2.2.3.1 to 4.2.2.3.8 do not exist. Please provide corrections for these references.*

A5: Please read :

“Features described under points 4.2.4.2.1 to 4.2.4.2.8 are to be included in a section entitled My TED.”

Instead of: “Features described under points 4.2.2.3.1 to 4.2.2.3.8 are to be included in a section entitled My TED.”

Q6: *Technical Specifications, point 4.2.4.2.10*

*The specifications state: “A mechanism should be developed allowing registered users to download searched and selected notices as a package (e.g. ZIP files).”*

*Is our assumption correct that the ZIP files contain PDF files of the searched and selected notices? If not please clarify.*

A6: Yes. The files to be downloaded are the PDF files.

Q7: *Technical Specifications, point 4.2.4.4*

*The specifications state: “To cater for different needs there should be at least 3 search screens as described below. Each of which must be enriched with faceted search features on the results list, the minimum facets being:”*

- a) Is our assumption correct that the faceted search feature shall be included in the result list page? If not please clarify.*
- b) If this is the case, should the user be able to choose between the “normal” result list page and the “enriched” ones with the included faceted search feature?*

A7:

- a) Yes.
- b) The Publications Office is open to solutions aiming at improving the usability of the site, especially with regard to the use of facets in refining the results of search results and browse by pages.

Q8: *Technical Specifications, point 4.2.4.5*

*The specifications state: “The browse facility is to be enriched with faceted search features, the minimum facets being:”*

- a) Is our assumption correct that the faceted search feature shall be included in the browse by pages too (as on the result page)? If not please clarify.*
- b) If this is the case, should the user be able to choose between the “normal” browse by pages and the “enriched” ones with the included faceted search feature?*

A8: See answers to the preceding question (A7)

Q9: *Technical Specifications, point 4.2.6.6*

*The specifications state: "This service for the administrative account is also to be made available to registered users upon acceptance of a special request (see Registered and non-registered users)."*

*Is our assumption correct that the "registered users" refers to the access-controlled data warehouse and not to the TED login feature? If not please clarify.*

A9: No, this refers to TED registered users who may request an access to this feature in the data warehouse and it could be foreseen in the future that access to other parts of the data warehouse may be made available to certain registered users.

See also in 4.2.6:

"The data warehouse must be access-controlled. Different access profiles must be foreseen"

Q10: *Technical Specifications, point 4.2.6.2*

*The specifications state: "The user will be able to view a table of the number of tenders published by the country of the contracting authority against that of the contractor."*

*Is our assumption correct that this sentence has to be deleted because this describes the "Cross border statistics" of point 4.2.6.6 (see above)? If not please clarify.*

A10: The sentence:

"The user will be able to view a table of the number of tenders published by the country of the contracting authority against that of the contractor."

is removed from point 4.2.6.2. of the specifications

Q11: *Technical Specifications, point 4.2.6.1.4*

*The specifications state: "This option will present the number of new visitors and returning visitors for a given time frame (day, month, quarter, year). "*

*Is our assumption correct that this statistic should reflect all users and not only the registered users?*

A11: Yes, it should reflect all users, registered or not.

Q12: *Technical Specifications, point 4.2.6.3*

*The specifications state: "This section of the statistical application will provide a bar diagram similar to the availability diagram and will represent the overall size and the number of notices by type of the daily produced OJS DVD-ROMs on a monthly basis."*

*Is our assumption correct that instead of*

*"...number of notices by type of the daily produced OJS DVD-ROMs..."*

*one should read:*

*"...number of notices of the weekly produced OJS DVD-ROMs..."?*

*If not please clarify.*

A12: Technical Specifications, point 4.2.6.3 please read:

"...number of notices by type of the weekly produced OJS DVD-ROMs..."?

Instead of:

"...number of notices by type of the daily produced OJS DVD-ROMs..."?

Q13: *Technical Specifications, point 4.2.9*

*The specifications state: "This file is to be made available for the Office at the latest at 9:30 every publication day."*

- a) *Is our assumption correct that the signing process will be done Saturday morning too by the Office?*
- b) *If under any circumstance the signed PDF files will not be available at 9:00 at a publication day (including Saturdays), should it be foreseen that PDF 1.4 files may be accessible on TED?*
- c) *If under any circumstance the signed PDF files will not be available at 9:00 at a publication day (including Saturdays), should it be foreseen that the delivery of the daily DVD-ROM may contain PDF 1.4 files instead of signed PDF files?*

A13: a) Yes

b) & c) The PDF files must always be accessible. The tenderers attention is drawn to the liquidated damages in Article I.II of the draft contract.

Q14: *Space occupied*

*According to our estimation we are facing a problem to verify the notice size of 100Kb of a PDF/A-1a document given in Clarification No 5 fulfilling all requirements such as font embedding, tagging, web-optimized, ...*

*Could you please provide an example of a PDF/A-1a document?*

A14: The size of 100Kb is merely indicative. These files could be up to 350Kb or more, please see example of a signed PDF/A-1a notice in annex.

Q15: *Technical Specifications, point 4.2.2*

*The specifications state: "The Office expects to have an easy-to-use web tool that will allow all trusted time-stamping of the PDF files one by one or in batches."*

*Is our assumption correct that the Office expects a PDF viewer implemented inside the web tool, showing optionally the PDF before and after the time stamping process in the one-by-one mode?*

A15: A web-based PDF viewer is unnecessary in the case of the trusted time-stamping tool. This web tool should provide links to the PDF files before and after time stamping.

Q16: *Can you indicate whether the following phrase in Model 1 of the document "Power of attorney", page 84 of the specifications can be altered:*

**Original text:**

*"The European Commission has awarded the Framework Contract [ ] (« the Contract ») to Company 1, Company 2, ..., Company N (« the Group Members »), based on the joint offer submitted by them on [ ] for the supply of [ ] and/or the provision of services for [ ] (« the Supplies and/or the Services »). "*

**Our proposed text:**

"In case the European Commission has awarded the Framework Contract .... (« the Contract ») to Company 1, Company 2, ..., Company N (« the Group Members »), based on the joint offer submitted by them on ..... for the supply of ..... and/or the provision of services for ... (« the Supplies and/or the Services »): "

A16: For the Power of attorney Model 1 pg 84 we can accept:

"Should the European Commission have awarded the Framework Contract .... (« the Contract ») to Company 1, Company 2, ..., Company N (« the Group Members »), based on the joint offer submitted by them on ..... for the supply of ..... and/or the provision of services for ... (« the Supplies and/or the Services »), the following will apply: "

Instead of

"The European Commission has awarded the Framework Contract .... (« the Contract ») to Company 1, Company 2, ..., Company N (« the Group Members »), based on the joint offer submitted by them on ..... for the supply of ..... and/or the provision of services for ... (« the Supplies and/or the Services »). "

Q17: *TED language support: should the prospective contractor provide translation into OJ languages on its own cost?*

A17: No, all translations are provided by the Publications Office.

Q18: *According to Invitation to Tender- Technical specification there is a possibility to know the current data warehouse (page 57). Could You please provide us with this information package.*

A18: The access to the current data warehouse is activated from the TED website <http://www.ted.europa.eu/> followed by the address <http://212.88.192.4:8000/stats/> with the User id: europ and Password: tedstats. Please see A13 of Clarification No3 of 29/01/2009

Q19: *According to Invitation to tender n 10186 – TED, page 71 “a complete set of test files will be made available to tenderers for preparing their technical offers (see Annex 1. VII)”. Could You please make it available and kindly send us this Annex? Having researched main documents we could not find Annexes referred.*

A19: Specifications 4.6.1.2, last but 1 paragraph, page 71 please read:  
"...(see Annex S3)"

instead of:

"...(see Annex 1.VII)".

Please see Corrigendum No 1 of 27/01/2009.

Yours faithfully,



António Carneiro  
Head of Unit

Annex: example of a PDF/A-1a signed notice

**UK-Edinburgh: road transport services**

2009/S 26-037882

**CONTRACT NOTICE**

**Services**

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**SECTION I: CONTRACTING AUTHORITY**

**I.1) NAME, ADDRESSES AND CONTACT POINT(S):**

The City of Edinburgh Council, Payments and Procurement Services, Finance, Level 3.1 Waverley Court, 4 East Market Street, Attn: Neil Fraser, UK-Edinburgh EH8 8BG. Tel. +44 1314693813. E-mail: neil.fraser@edinburgh.gov.uk. Fax +44 1315296228.

**Internet address(es):**

General address of the contracting authority: [www.edinburgh.gov.uk](http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk).

**Further information can be obtained at:** As in above-mentioned contact point(s).

**Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained at:** As in above-mentioned contact point(s).

**Tenders or requests to participate must be sent to:** As in above-mentioned contact point(s).

**I.2) TYPE OF THE CONTRACTING AUTHORITY AND MAIN ACTIVITY OR ACTIVITIES:**

Regional or local authority.

General public services.

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: no.

**SECTION II: OBJECT OF THE CONTRACT**

**II.1) DESCRIPTION**

**II.1.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:**

Provision of Financially Supported Bus Service.

**II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance:**

Services.

Service category: No 02.

Main place of performance: Eastern Scotland.

NUTS code: UKM2 .

**II.1.3) The notice involves:**

A public contract.

**II.1.4) Information on framework agreement:**

**II.1.5) Short description of the contract or purchase(s):**

The City of Edinburgh Council wish to let a multi lot contract to one or more suppliers for the Provision of Financially Supported Bus Service.

**II.1.6) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV):**

00100000

**II.1.7) Contract covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA):**

No.

**II.1.8) Division into lots:**

Yes.

Tenders should be submitted for: one or more lots.

**II.1.9) Variants will be accepted:**

Yes.

**II.2) QUANTITY OR SCOPE OF THE CONTRACT**

**II.2.1) Total quantity or scope:**

The City of Edinburgh Council wish to let a multi lot contract to one or more suppliers for the Provision of Financially Supported Bus Service. The lots are as follows:

Lot number 1-Service 13-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency from the Lochend area to the Craighleith Retail Park;

Lot number 2-Service 13-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency from the Lochend area to the Craighleith Retail Park;

Lot number 3-Service 13-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency from the City Centre to the Craighleith Retail Park;

Lot number 4-Service 13-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency from the City Centre to the Craighleith Retail Park;

Lot number 5-Service 13-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency from the Eastern General Hospital to the Craighleith Retail Park;

Lot number 6-Service 13-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency from the Eastern General Hospital to the Craighleith Retail Park;

Lot number 7-Service 20-Local bus service provision at 45 minute frequency to principal amenities in the south west area;  
 Lot number 8-Service 20-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency to principal amenities in the south west area;  
 Lot number 9-Service 20-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency to principal amenities in the south west area;  
 Lot number 10-Service 20-Local bus service provision at 45 minute frequency to principal amenities in the south west area;  
 Lot number 11-Service 24-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency between Davidson's Mains and the Edinburgh Park Station 7 days per week;  
 Lot number 12-Service 24-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between Davidson's Mains and the Edinburgh Park Station 7 days per week;  
 Lot number 13-Service 24-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency between Davidson's Mains and the Edinburgh Park Station 6 days per week;  
 Lot number 14-Service 24-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between Davidson's Mains and the Edinburgh Park Station 6 days per week;  
 Lot number 15-Service 42 (part route)-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency between the City Centre and Portobello in the evenings and at weekends;  
 Lot number 16-Service 42 (part route)-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between the City Centre and Portobello in the evenings and at weekends;  
 Lot number 17-Service 60-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency between Dumbiedykes and Forrest Road;  
 Lot number 18-Ratho service-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency between the Edinburgh Bus Station and the Gyle Centre, via Ratho Village and Ratho Station;  
 Lot number 19-Ratho service-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between the Edinburgh Bus Station and the Gyle Centre, via Ratho Village and Ratho Station;  
 Lot number 20-Ratho service-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency between the Gyle Centre, and Ratho Village and Ratho Station, via the Ingliston Park and Ride;  
 Lot number 21-Ratho service-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between the Gyle Centre, and Ratho Village and Ratho Station, via the Ingliston Park and Ride;  
 Lot number 22-Service 63-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between the Gyle Centre and South Queensferry via Newbridge / Kirkliston-6 days per week;  
 Lot number 23-Service 63-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between the Gyle Centre and South Queensferry via Newbridge / Kirkliston-7 days per week;  
 Lot number 24-Night Bus N16-Local bus service provision between the City Centre and Torphin from Monday morning to Friday morning;  
 Lot number 25-Night Bus N26-Local bus service provision between Clerwood and the City Centre, and between the City Centre and Eastfield from Monday morning to Friday morning;  
 Lot number 26-Night Bus N44-Local bus service provision between Eastfield and the City Centre, and the City Centre and Balerno between Monday morning and Friday morning.  
 Estimated value excluding VAT: 4 000 000 GBP.

**II.2.2) Options:**

Yes.

Description of these options: This contract will run for 5 years with an optional 12 month extension which will be undertaken at the sole discretion of the City of Edinburgh Council.

**II.3) DURATION OF THE CONTRACT OR TIME-LIMIT FOR COMPLETION:**

Duration in months: 72 (from the award of the contract).

**INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS**

LOT NO 1 TITLE: Service 13

**1) SHORT DESCRIPTION:**

Service 13-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency from the Lochend area to the Craighleith Retail Park.

**2) COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**

60110000

**3) QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**

Service 13 - Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency from the Lochend area to the Craighleith Retail Park.

**4) INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**

Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.

**5) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 2 TITLE: Service 13

**1) SHORT DESCRIPTION:**

Service 13-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency from the Lochend area to the Craighleith Retail Park.

**2) COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**

60110000

**3) QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**

Service 13-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency from the Lochend area to the Craighleith Retail Park.

**4) INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**

Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.

**5) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 3 TITLE: Service 13

**1) SHORT DESCRIPTION:**

Service 13-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency from the City Centre to the Craighleith Retail Park.

**2) COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**

60110000

**3) QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**

Service 13-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency from the City Centre to the Craighleith Retail Park.



- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 4 TITLE: Service 13

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Service 13-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency from the City Centre to the Craigleith Retail Park.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
601100000
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Service 13-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency from the City Centre to the Craigleith Retail Park.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 5 TITLE: Service 13

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Service 13-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency from the Eastern General Hospital to the Craigleith Retail Park.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
601100000
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Service 13-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency from the Eastern General Hospital to the Craigleith Retail Park.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 6 TITLE: Service 13

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Service 13-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency from the Eastern General Hospital to the Craigleith Retail Park.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
601100000
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Service 13-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency from the Eastern General Hospital to the Craigleith Retail Park.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 7 TITLE: Service 20

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Service 20-Local bus service provision at 45 minute frequency to principal amenities in the south west area.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
601100000
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Service 20-Local bus service provision at 45 minute frequency to principal amenities in the south west area.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 8 TITLE: Service 20

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Service 20-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency to principal amenities in the south west area.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
601100000
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Service 20-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency to principal amenities in the south west area.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 9 TITLE: Service 20

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Service 20-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency to principal amenities in the south west area.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
601100000

- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Service 20-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency to principal amenities in the south west area.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 10 TITLE: Service 20

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Service 20-Local bus service provision at 45 minute frequency to principal amenities in the south west area.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
60.110000.
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Service 20-Local bus service provision at 45 minute frequency to principal amenities in the south west area.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 11 TITLE: Service 24

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Service 24-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency between Davidsonâs Mains and the Edinburgh Park Station-7 days per week.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
60.110000.
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Service 24-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency between Davidsonâs Mains and the Edinburgh Park Station-7 days per week.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 6.9.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 12 TITLE: Service 24

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Service 24-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between Davidsonâs Mains and the Edinburgh Park Station-7 days per week.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
60.110000.
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Service 24-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between Davidsonâs Mains and the Edinburgh Park Station-7 days per week.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 6.9.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 13 TITLE: Service 24

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Service 24-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency between Davidsonâs Mains and the Edinburgh Park Station-6 days per week.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
60.110000.
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Service 24 - Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency between Davidsonâs Mains and the Edinburgh Park Station-6 days per week.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 6.9.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 14 TITLE: Service 24

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Service 24-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between Davidsonâs Mains and the Edinburgh Park Station-6 days per week.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
60.110000.
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Service 24-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between Davidsonâs Mains and the Edinburgh Park Station-6 days per week.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 6.9.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 15 TITLE: Service 42

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Service 42 (part route)-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency between the City Centre and Portobello in the evenings and at weekends.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
53110000
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Service 42 (part route)-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency between the City Centre and Portobello in the evenings and at weekends.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 16 TITLE: Service 42

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Service 42 (part route)-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between the City Centre and Portobello in the evenings and at weekends.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
53110000
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Service 42 (part route)-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between the City Centre and Portobello in the evenings and at weekends.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 17 TITLE: Service 60

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Service 60-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency between Dumbiedykes and Forrest Road.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
53110000
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Service 60-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency between Dumbiedykes and Forrest Road.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 18 TITLE: Ratho Service

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Ratho service-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency between the Edinburgh Bus Station and the Gyle Centre, via Ratho Village and Ratho Station.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
53110000
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Ratho service-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency between the Edinburgh Bus Station and the Gyle Centre, via Ratho Village and Ratho Station.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 19 TITLE: Ratho Service

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Ratho service-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between the Edinburgh Bus Station and the Gyle Centre, via Ratho Village and Ratho Station.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
53110000
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Ratho service-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between the Edinburgh Bus Station and the Gyle Centre, via Ratho Village and Ratho Station.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 20 TITLE: Ratho Service

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Ratho service-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency between the Gyle Centre, and Ratho Village and Ratho Station, via the Ingliston Park and Ride.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**

- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Ratho service-Local bus service provision at 30 minute frequency between the Gyle Centre, and Ratho Village and Ratho Station, via the Ingliston Park and Ride.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 21 TITLE: Ratho Service

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Ratho service-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between the Gyle Centre, and Ratho Village and Ratho Station, via the Ingliston Park and Ride.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
501140000.
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Ratho service-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between the Gyle Centre, and Ratho Village and Ratho Station, via the Ingliston Park and Ride.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 22 TITLE: Service 63

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Service 63-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between the Gyle Centre and South Queensferry via Newbridge / Kirkliston -6 days per week.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
501140000.
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Service 63-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between the Gyle Centre and South Queensferry via Newbridge / Kirkliston -6 days per week.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 23 TITLE: Service 63

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Service 63-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between the Gyle Centre and South Queensferry via Newbridge / Kirkliston -7 days per week.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
501140000.
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Service 63-Local bus service provision at 60 minute frequency between the Gyle Centre and South Queensferry via Newbridge / Kirkliston -7 days per week.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 24 TITLE: Service N16

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Night Bus N16-Local bus service provision between the City Centre and Torphin from Monday morning to Friday morning.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
501140000.
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Night Bus N16-Local bus service provision between the City Centre and Torphin from Monday morning to Friday morning.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**  
Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.
- 5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 25 TITLE: Service N26

- 1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**  
Night Bus N26-Local bus service provision between Clerwood and the City Centre, and between the City Centre and Eastfield from Monday morning to Friday morning.
- 2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**  
501140000.
- 3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**  
Night Bus N26-Local bus service provision between Clerwood and the City Centre, and between the City Centre and Eastfield from Monday morning to Friday morning.
- 4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**

Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.

5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

LOT NO 26 TITLE: Service N44

1) **SHORT DESCRIPTION:**

Night Bus N44-Local bus service provision between Eastfield and the City Centre, and the City Centre and Balerno between Monday morning and Friday morning.

2) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV):**

54110000

3) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE:**

Night Bus N44-Local bus service provision between Eastfield and the City Centre, and the City Centre and Balerno between Monday morning and Friday morning.

4) **INDICATION ABOUT DIFFERENT DATE FOR DURATION OF CONTRACT OR STARTING/COMPLETION:**

Starting: 25.7.2009 Completion: 25.7.2014.

5) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS:**

**SECTION III: LEGAL, ECONOMIC, FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

**III.1) CONDITIONS RELATING TO THE CONTRACT**

**III.1.1) Deposits and guarantees required:**

Parent Company Guarantees or other guarantees of performance, if required.

**III.1.2) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions regulating them:**

**III.1.3) Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded:**

**III.1.4) Other particular conditions to which the performance of the contract is subject:**

Yes.

It is a mandatory condition of this contract that: 1. The service providers are members of, or are willing to subscribe to, a comprehensive internet and phone-based travel planning service (e.g. Traveline or a suitable equivalent).

2) The service provider participates or is willing to participate in the National Concessionary Travel Scheme and in the SESTRAN "One-Ticket" ticketing scheme throughout the term of the contract.

3) The service provider arranges for the provision and distribution of publicity and timetable information for the Service.

4) Vehicles used on the service must be of low-floor, fully accessible specification, in accordance with The Public Service Vehicles Accessibility Regulations 2000.

5) Vehicles used on the service should conform to Euro III vehicle emissions standard or better.

**III.2) CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATION**

**III.2.1) Personal situation of economic operators, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers:**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met: See tender document for further information.

**III.2.2) Economic and financial capacity:**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met: See tender document for further information.

**III.2.3) Technical capacity:**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met: See tender document for further information.

**III.2.4) Reserved contracts:**

No.

**III.3) CONDITIONS SPECIFIC TO SERVICES CONTRACTS**

**III.3.1) Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession:**

No.

**III.3.2) Legal entities should indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff responsible for the execution of the service:**

**SECTION IV: PROCEDURE**

**IV.1) TYPE OF PROCEDURE**

**IV.1.1) Type of procedure:**

Open.

**IV.1.2) Limitations on the number of operators who will be invited to tender or to participate:**

**IV.1.3) Reduction of the number of operators during the negotiation or dialogue:**

**IV.2) AWARD CRITERIA**

**IV.2.1) Award criteria:**

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of the criteria stated in the specifications, in the invitation to tender or to negotiate or in the descriptive document.

**IV.2.2) An electronic auction will be used:**

No.

**IV.3) ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

**IV.3.1) File reference number attributed by the contracting authority:**

3629NF.

**IV.3.2) Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract:**

No.

**IV.3.3) Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document:**

Time limit for receipt of requests for documents or for accessing documents: 17.3.2009 - 15:00.

Payable documents: no.

- IV.3.4) **Time-limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate:**  
17.3.2009 - 15:00.
- IV.3.5) **Date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates:**
- IV.3.6) **Language(s) in which tenders or requests to participate may be drawn up:**  
English.
- IV.3.7) **Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender:**  
Duration in days: 120 (from the date stated for receipt of tender).
- IV.3.8) **Conditions for opening tenders:**  
Date: 24.3.2009 - 16:00.

#### **SECTION VI: COMPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

- VI.1) **THIS IS A RECURRENT PROCUREMENT:**  
No.
- VI.2) **CONTRACT RELATED TO A PROJECT AND/OR PROGRAMME FINANCED BY EU FUNDS:**  
No.
- VI.3) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**
- VI.4) **PROCEDURES FOR APPEAL**
- VI.4.1) **Body responsible for appeal procedures:**
- VI.4.2) **Lodging of appeals:**  
Precise information on deadline(s) for lodging appeals: The City of Edinburgh Council will incorporate a minimum of 10 calendar day standstill period at the point of information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. This period allows unsuccessful tenderers to seek further debriefing from the contracting authority before the contract is entered into. Applicants have 2 working days from the notification of the award decision to request additional debriefing and that information has to be provided a minimum of 3 working days before the expiry of the standstill period. Such additional information should be required from the Corporate Procurement Unit, Level 3, Waverley Court, 4 East Market Street, Edinburgh UK EH8 8BG. If an appeal regarding the award of contract has not been successfully resolved, the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006 No1) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rule to take action in the Sheriff Court or Court of Session. Any such action must be brought promptly (generally within 3 months. Where a contract has not been entered into, the court may only award damages. (The purpose of the standstill period referred to above is to allow parties to apply to the courts to set aside the award decision before the contract is entered into).
- VI.4.3) **Service from which information about the lodging of appeals may be obtained:**
- VI.5) **DATE OF DISPATCH OF THIS NOTICE:**  
5.2.2009.