

## Explanatory Note – How Does The Framework Work?

ODAIT are seeking to establish a framework of suitably qualified professionals across the advertised lots which can be called down as needed.

Following the closing date for receipt of tender responses, an evaluation board will meet to review each submission in respect of the selection criteria. The applications which meet the minimum selection criteria will then be evaluated based on the award criteria as outlined in the tender documents.

Tenderers who meet the required qualifying marks for each criteria will form part of the framework, up to the maximum members allowed. The order of merit will be determined by the cumulative marks allotted, with the most economically advantageous tenderer featuring at the top of the framework. ODAIT will make offers of services contracts in order of merit on a cascade basis according to the business needs of ODAIT at the time. Some successful tenderers may receive immediate offers, others may remain on the framework eligible for offers which may come at a later date should business need require it.

Securing a space on the Framework is the first step in the process of working with ODAIT. Thus we strongly recommend that suitably qualified tenderers submit an application for consideration regardless of logistical concerns regarding potential start dates, as these may vary dependent on business need and drawdowns.

Start dates will be formalised following the evaluation process and will depend on the business need of the project.

