

# **Job Description Form**

## **Principal Consultant Contracts - ICT**

**Commercial Services** 

Position number 00040832

Agreement Public Service CSA General Agreement 2019 (or as replaced)

Classification Level 7

Reports to Manager Contract & Planning Management

**Direct reports** Consultant Contracts (Level 5)

#### Context

The Commercial Services Directorate is part of the Finance and Commercial Services Division and is responsible for providing procurement and commercial legal support to the <u>Department of Education</u> for contract planning and management, insurance and fleet management.

#### **Key responsibilities**

#### **Specialist Services**

- Facilitates, develops and manages complex and/or high risk whole of Department and school-facing contracts-including procurement planning, contract formation, contract documentation and evaluation in consultation and negotiation with Departmental stakeholders, principally in relation to Information and Communication Technology (ICT) contracts.
- Undertakes probity, compliance and quality assessment of ICT contract documents and submissions and completes quality assurance of contract and procurement approval procedures and processes.
- Undertakes research to identify Departmental ICT contracting needs to support schools, regional and central services and establishes contracting strategies and frameworks.
- Establishes whole of Department ICT contracts to manage procurement risks and deliver value for money outcomes to the Department.
- Develops and manages procurement policies, standards process improvements and guidelines, including the continuous review of contract forms, guides, templates and communications.
- Provides expert advice on complex ICT contract planning development and management issues.



#### **Management and Directorate Support**

- Provides support to the Manager, Contract Planning and Management in responding to ministerial and parliamentary questions.
- Monitors and manages staff leave entitlements to ensure accrued leave is cleared within a reasonable timeframe and in accordance with relevant awards, agreements and Departmental policy.
- Manages staff performance in accordance with the Public Sector Performance Management Standard and Departmental policy.
- Contributes to the management of the branch.
- Mentors and leads team members in the development and achievement of Directorate business goals.
- Contributes to a work environment that is safe, fosters equity and diversity, enables the
  achievement of personal and Directorate goals, and facilitates accomplishment of
  designated roles and deliverables.
- Contributes to change management projects relevant to the Directorate.
- Represents the Directorate, as required, on committees and working parties.

#### **Customer and Stakeholder Management and Liaison**

- Provides proactive and timely advice to stakeholders on strategic procurement and contract management matters.
- Maintains a focus on customer service delivery and continuous improvement of services.
- Develops and maintains effective communication links and working relationships to ensure access to diverse specialist knowledge.

#### Selection criteria

- 1. Demonstrated substantial knowledge and understanding of the public sector contracting framework and experience in developing and managing complex, high-risk contracts, principally in relation to Information and Communication Technology contracts.
- 2. Demonstrated highly developed written communication skills with experience in preparing complex procurement and technical documents.
- 3. Demonstrated highly developed oral and interpersonal communication skills with the ability to negotiate and consult effectively at senior levels in the private and public sectors.
- 4. Demonstrated highly developed conceptual and analytical skills with the ability to provide innovative solutions to complex problems and issues.
- 5. Demonstrated highly developed skills in providing leadership and working collaboratively to manage a range of complex projects.

#### Eligibility and training requirements

Employees will be required to:

- obtain a current Department of Education Criminal Record Clearance prior to commencement of employment
- complete the Department's induction program within three months of commencement
- complete any training specific to this role required by Departmental policy
- complete the Department's training in Accountable and Ethical Decision-Making within six months of appointment.



## Certification

The details contained in this document are an accurate statement of the responsibilities and other requirements of the position.

## **ENDORSED**

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