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Tendering for Care Briefing

The Services and Remedies Directives

The objective of the Services Directive (2006/123/EC) is to release the untapped growth potential of services markets in Europe by removing legal and administrative barriers to trade in the services sector is to be fully implemented by the Member States by 28 December 2009. But the Directive does not apply to all services and may apply to others. Will your services be affected? How will the Directive affect the purchasing of the services which you deliver by public sector purchasers?

Service Providers, companies, RSLs, etc., may encounter legal and practical problems when using national review procedures to challenge decisions made by public authorities awarding contracts. The new Remedies Directive (2007/66/EC) gives rejected tenderers the opportunity to start an effective review procedure at a time when unfair decisions can still be corrected. The Directive also seeks to combat illegal direct awards of public contracts, which is the most serious infringement of EU procurement law. National courts will also be able to render these contracts ineffective if they have been illegally awarded without any transparency and prior competitive tendering. In these cases the contract will need to be tendered again, this time according to the appropriate rules. The introduction of these new rights on for rejected tenderers 21st December 2009 will create stronger incentives for EU businesses to tender for contracts anywhere in the EU.

Participants in this half day briefing will:

- Increase their understanding of the two new Directives; the current approach to public sector contracting;
- Improve their understanding of what the Directives will mean to their organisations and the tendering processes;
- Understand what compliance with the Directives will mean for public sector procurement;
- Produce a compliance checklist for both Directives which can be used in the tender management process.

All participants will receive a CD containing slides and documents relevant to the matters covered during the briefing.

Who should attend?

Senior Managers; Trustees; Business Development Managers; Staff involved in preparing and submitting tenders; Commissioners; Staff of umbrella organisations advising others how to prepare tenders.

When and Where?

Ref 113/10 Birmingham

2nd February 1.30 to 4.30



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