

Contracts Finder

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Overview

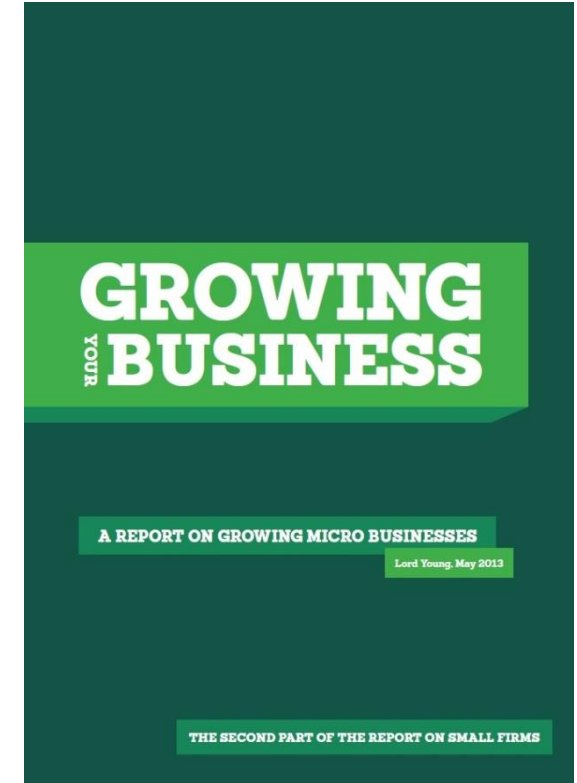
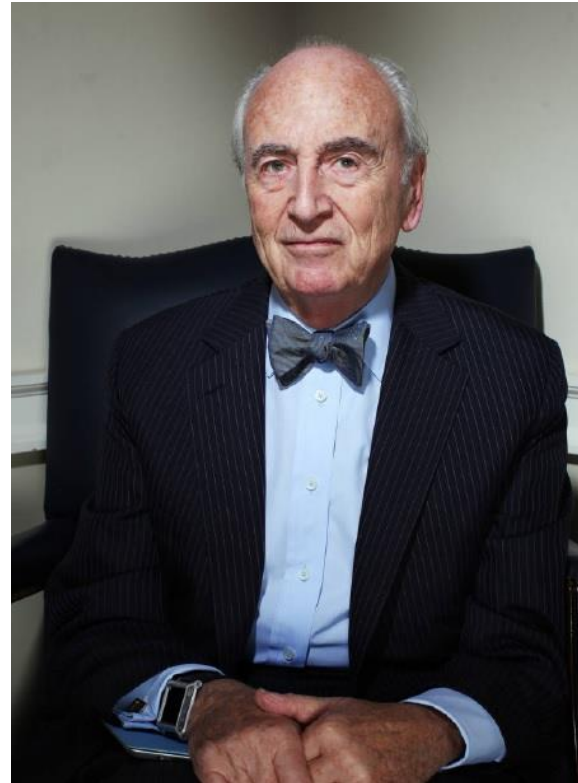
- Transparency
 - Opening up procurement data to the wider public
- Widening participation
 - Government commitment to reach 33% SME spend by 2022
- Economic growth and prosperity
 - Increasing innovation and competition in public procurement

The Early Days

- First launched in February 2011
- Free to access opportunity database
- Considered “adequate” advertising by Government
- Usage not mandatory



Lord Young Review 2010-2015



Lord Young's Findings

- Key elements for growth:

- Confidence
- Capability
- Coherence

- Public procurement:

- Visibility
- Bureaucracy
- Payment

The Public Contracts Regulations 2015

- Brought the revised EU Public Procurement Directive into UK law
- Added regulations that legally enforce recommendations from the Young Review
- Made the use of Contracts Finder mandatory

The New Contracts Finder

- Launched February 2015
- Now part of GOV.UK
- Mandatory requirement for publication of contract opportunities and awarded contracts over £25k (£10k for Central Government)
- Opportunities must be advertised on Contracts Finder even if they are already advertised on OJEU



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Contracts Finder

Contracts Finder lets you search for information about contracts worth over £10,000 with the government and its agencies.

Features of Contracts Finder

- No need to register to search for ITTs
- Registration enables personalised alerts
- The system includes pre-market engagement opportunities
- Platform optimised for mobile devices

System Demonstration

Thank you