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Contracts Finder

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What is Contracts Finder?



- Contracts Finder 1: Launched in 2011
- Free to access contract opportunity database
- Considered “Adequate” Advertising by Gov’t
- Use of Contracts Finder not mandatory

The Lord Young Review 2013



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Scope of the review

- Consultation with small business
- Review of Public Procurement

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Report Findings

- Identified three key elements for growth:
 - Confidence
 - Capability
 - Coherence
 - Identified that most economic growth is attributable to firms with fewer employees
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Report Findings

- “Single Market Commitment” for Public Sector Procurement
- The need to make this commitment a legal requirement

So how is this now mandated?

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2015 No. 102

PUBLIC PROCUREMENT

The Public Contracts Regulations 2015

Made - - - -

4th February 2015

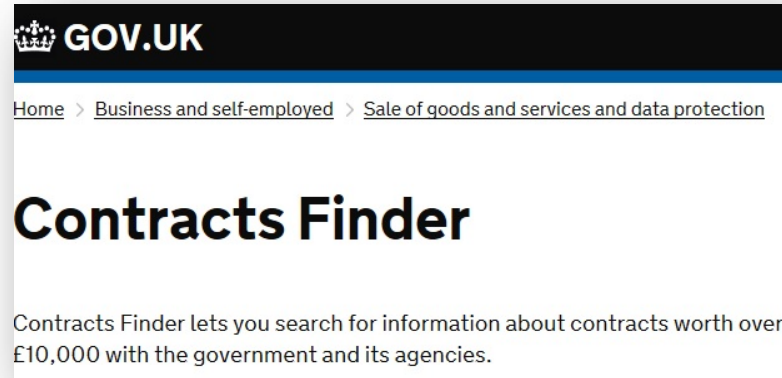
Laid before Parliament

5th February 2015

Public Contracts Regulations 2015

- Brings the revised EU Public Procurement Directive into UK law
- Additional regulations added that legally enforce recommendations from the Young Review
- This includes the mandatory use of Contracts Finder

The New Contracts Finder



- Contracts Finder 2: Launched February 2015
- Now part of GOV.UK online portal
- Mandatory requirement for publication of contract opportunities over £x AND all contract awards valued over £25k

Contracts Finder- Contract Opportunities

- Requirement for opportunities to be advertised even if already advertised on OJEU

Contracts Finder- Contract Awards

- New requirement to publish all awarded contracts over £25k value
- Framework call-offs also need to be published

Contracts Finder

<https://www.gov.uk/contracts-finder>

Thank You