**ePROJECTS PANEL – NEW CYBER SECURITY SERVICES PORTAL**

**Background**

The eProjects Panel is a facility to enable agencies to procure project-orientated ICT services up to the value of $700,000 (including GST) from pre-qualified suppliers using a standardised contract and related processes. The panel is designed to reduce red-tape and streamline procurements.

The broad categories of services include:

- System development/deployment
- System integration
- Professional project services
- Other information and technology projects, and
- Cyber security services

The eProjects Portal continues to provide these services, however, due to the specialised nature of the cyber security services category, an additional portal has been established called Cyber Security Services Portal (CSSP). Both portals operate under the eProjects Panel.

**Discussion**

The CSSP provides agencies with a simple and efficient way to procure cyber security services. It will also assist agencies with the implementation of an Information Security Management System as required by the Information Security Management Framework.

The CSSP has a separate membership to the eProjects Portal and requires suppliers to have sufficient capability to provide cyber security services to government agencies in one or more of the categories below. Suppliers agree to provide cyber security services using a standardised contract, the eProjects Panel Deed, and associated processes.

The categories of the cyber security services include:
- Investigation services
- Security assessing
- Security auditing
- Security policy/strategy consultancy
- Security architecture and design
- Security systems development/analysis
- Government security implementation

Agencies using the CSSP must follow the eProjects Panel requirements to seek a minimum of two written quotes from suppliers for projects up to the value of $200,000 (including GST) or a minimum of three written quotes for projects up to $700,000 (including GST).

Current agency eProjects Portal users can access the CSSP using their eProjects Portal credentials.

Agencies are reminded that as a result of past engagements, suppliers providing cyber security services may have access to information that is classified and have aggregated knowledge. Accordingly, agencies should carefully assess the skills requirements and the information that will be available to suppliers and consider what kind of security vetting is required, particularly in relation to aggregated knowledge. Agencies are responsible for ensuring that suppliers have demonstrated skills as required for the engagement. Agencies should consult with their IT Security Adviser to seek advice.

For information on how to use the eProjects Panel and gain access to either portals, please visit www.sa.gov.au/eprojectspanel.

## Further Information

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