



Home Office

Science and Research Group (SRG)

Social Research and Analysis Framework Agreement

## NEWSLETTER – JULY 2009

### Welcome

Welcome to the fourth quarterly SRG Framework Agreement Newsletter for summer 2009. These newsletters provide details of projects recently awarded using the Framework Agreement. We also include an up-to-date summary of news relating to the Framework Agreement.

This newsletter includes updates on the following:

- Supplier visits
- SRG Awayday
- Web announcements
- Framework extensions

### Supplier visits

To improve lines of communication, service levels and contract management processes within the SRG Procurement section, we have recently decided to initiate a planned programme of visits to our nominated group of Framework Agreement suppliers. Each supplier is already aware of who their key contact is. If you would like to be considered as a priority, please email your key contact as soon as possible.

### SRG Awayday

On 29th April 2009, the Home Office held a successful staff and stakeholder event at Westminster Central Hall. Stakeholders (including suppliers) were invited to the afternoon event. The event was designed to introduce the Science and Research Group plans following the recent launch of the new Home Office Science and Innovation strategy 2009-2012 and it provided an opportunity for feedback on the stakeholder experience of working with Home Office Science and Research. Keynote speakers included Professor John Beddington, Government Chief Scientific Advisor and Paul Wiles and there were presentations by Martin Everett on Social Network Analysis and Bob Rose who spoke of an Industry perspective of working with the Home Office.

The session included an opportunity for delegates to provide feedback on a range of issues such as the effectiveness of Home Office processes and stakeholder feedback. We are currently assessing this feedback to assess what actions can follow to strengthen our stakeholder engagement for the future. We will keep you informed through this Newsletter of any follow-up work



## Web announcements

The Science and Research Group are improving their method of advertising social research procurements. We have now implemented a new service on the RDS website so that anyone who wants to be informed when we advertise for procurement projects can supply us with their email address and their details will be updated. Once registered, you will be automatically notified of all new non-framework social research procurement requirements for the Home Office and Ministry of Justice. To register, please enter your email details on the RDS website under What's New – Working for Us <<http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/aboutrds4.html>>

## Extension of the current SRG Framework Agreement

If you have not already returned your signed contract amendment form for the current Framework Agreement extension to 2011, then we would be most grateful if you could do so as soon as possible and by no later than 31st July 2009. If you need to discuss the extension in more detail, then email/ telephone your main contact.

## Supplier Value Awards (SVAP) 2009

Details have now been published on the winners of the Home Office 2009 Supplier Value Awards.

The categories and winners are as follows:

- Most beneficial contribution to a project or programme: [Fujitsu Services – SBS Programme](#)
- Most beneficial contribution to sustainability: [Angel London Ltd – Target Contracts](#)
- Best example of performance improvement: [Teleperformance – Identity and Passport Service Contact Centre](#)
- Best example of collaborative working with the Home Office: [Berkshire Consultancy Ltd – UKBA Engage](#)
- Most beneficial contribution by a Small Medium Enterprise: [NQC Ltd – CAESER](#)
- Most beneficial contribution to the Home Office by a Third Sector organisation: [Remploy Frontline – design, manufacture, supply and delivery of CBRN](#)
- Supplier of the Year 2009: [Berkshire Consultancy Ltd](#)

For further details on the Awards for 2010, which will be published later this year, please click on <<http://commercial.homeoffice.gov.uk/supplier-value-awards/>>

## ANNEX B - FRAMEWORK PROJECTS COMMISSIONED TO DATE

### May 2007 – March 2008

Understanding the perspective of potential sponsors on PBS sponsorship arrangement  
(SRG/07/005) [Lot 6j]

Awarded to - *Institute for Employment Studies*

BCS Extension under 16s and groups

(SRG/07/015) [Lot 1b]

Awarded to – *NatCen*

OCJS Longitudinal Analysis

(SRG/07/018) [Lot 1b]

Awarded to – *NatCen*

Quality assure the crime reduction modelling methodology

(SRG/07/021) [Lot 7]

Awarded to – *HVR Consulting*

Big Picture Plant

(SRG/07/022) [Lot 7]

Awarded to – *RED Scientific Ltd*

Analysis of IPCC and biometrics registration code of practice consultations

(SRG/07/028) [Lot 4a]

Awarded to - *Analytica Consulting*

Exploration of regional variation of uptake of powers used tackle anti-social behaviour

(SRG/07/029) [Lot 1a / 1b]

Awarded to – *Ipsos MORI*

Fine payment work-process study

(SRG/07/030) [Lot 5]

Awarded to – *CRG Research*

Routes of trafficking

(SRG/07/038) [Lot 4c]

Awarded to – *Matrix*

Desk-top research: over-arching community engagement strategy for CJS

(SRG/07/037) [Lot 4a]

Awarded to – *Ecotec*

Beacon approach research

(SRG/07/039) [Lot 4c]

Awarded to – *Ipsos MORI*

Tackling Gangs Action Programme

(SRG/07/041) [Lot 1a]

Awarded to – *Perpetuity Research and Consultancy Ltd*

Evaluation of neighbourhood policing: the experience of black and minority ethnic residents in the first year of implementation

(SRG/07/047) [Lot 2c]

Awarded to – *Independent Social Research*

### April – August 2008

Neighbourhood policing – secondary analysis of RDS datasets

(SRG/07/049) [Lot 2b]

Awarded to – *London School of Economics (Centre for Economic Performance)*

ERF II Evaluation

(SRG/08/001) [Lot 6m]

Awarded to – *NIACE*

### September 2008 – January 2009

Evaluation of the strategic upgrade of national refugee integration services (SUNRISE) pilot: survey of new refugees in the UK

(SRG/08/009) [Lot 6c]

Awarded to – *NlightN*

Assessment of the implementation of postal charging and requisitions

(SRG/08/010) [Lot 4f]

Awarded to – *University of York*

Points-based system process evaluation – Tier 1 highly skilled pilot study

(SRG/08/017) [Lot 6a]

Awarded to – *BMRB*

Evaluation of the project testing out the conditional cautioning scheme referral to TWP women's centres

(SRG/08/019) [Lot 4f]

Awarded to – *London South Bank University*

Public confidence in the police: rapid evidence assessment

(SRG/08/021) [Lot 2a]

Awarded to – *CRG Research*

TKAP stakeholder interviews

(SRG/08/038) [Lots 1a & 2d]

Awarded to – *ICPR, King's College London*

The quality of visa decision making

(SRG/08/039) [Lot 6k]

Awarded to – *Ecotec*

### January – April 2009

Procurement of a contractor for work on assessment of VARRP 2007

(SRG/08/030) [Lot 6k]

Awarded to – *NlightN*

Whole system model

(SRG/08/048) [Lot 7]

Awarded to – *HVR Consulting Ltd (Qinetiq)*

A rapid assessment on the drivers of perceptions of ASB

(SRG/08/049) [Lots 3i & 4a]

Awarded to – *The Scottish Centre for Crime and Justice Research*

British Crime Scoping Survey  
(SRG/08/050) [Lot 1b]

*Awarded to – Ipsos MORI*

Evaluation of the Sunrise pilots – longitudinal analysis of  
the survey of new refugees

(SRG/08/051) [Lot 6j]

*Awarded to – NatCen*

Examining the social harms associated with Khat (QAT)

(SRG/08/056) [Lots 3a & 6k]

*Awarded to – Independent Social Research*

Procurement projects in progress

Award details to be given in next Newsletter

Survey of entry clearance officers and managers  
(SRG/09/003) [Lot 6c]

Links between homicide and organised crime: an  
exploratory study

(SRG/09/014) [Lot 4f]

British Crime Survey

(SRG/09/016) [Lot 2c]