

AWARD® KickStart

Commerce Decisions will get your evaluation process off to a great start!

About AWARD®

AWARD® Evaluation is a collaborative web-based solution designed specifically to support strategic projects; providing teams with the confidence that they are dealing with procurement challenges efficiently, meeting the demands of procurement regulations and delivering robust decisions that are open to external scrutiny. AWARD® delivers consistent repeatable processes for both project and organisational deployments. It has been proven to reduce time to contract, improve value for money, and reduce risk. AWARD® delivers intuitive and robust evaluations with strong audit trail; supporting a diverse range of applications including construction programmes, transport and defence systems, IT outsourcing, collaborative frameworks and multi-lot projects.

AWARD® is delivered as a hosted (Cloud) service. The solution has been successfully deployed across the Public Sector in support of procurements totalling over \$400bn since 2001.

In response to growing demand, Commerce Decisions has optimised AWARD® to support cost effective delivery to the Local Government, Charities and Higher Education sectors. AWARD® KickStart is a package of software and support, specifically designed for smaller project/ procurement teams.

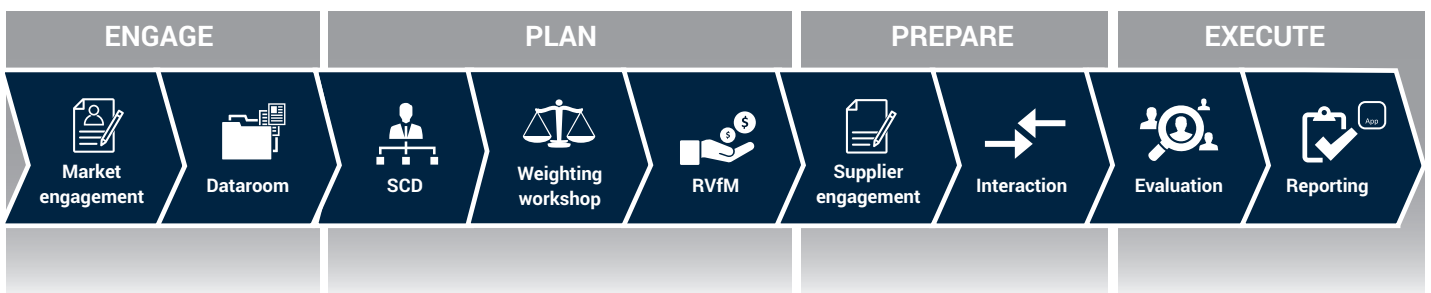
AWARD® KickStart benefits

- Removes inefficiencies of paper based and Excel® approaches
- Allows collaborative working with the latest information set
- Provides a fully auditable and clear understanding of results and outputs
- Provides real-time analysis and comparison style reports
- De-risks your project, gives confidence and supports compliance with EU regulations

- Supports sustainability targets – less paper, less travel, enables distributed and home-working
- The AWARD® solution is set up with best practice processes, ready for your project data

Opportunities for AWARD® KickStart

- Strategic projects
- Single or 2-stage evaluation process (PQQ and/or ITT) with multiple criteria
- A requirement/desire to use best practice methods and repeatable processes
- High risk projects
- Complex projects
- Projects with up to 10 bidders
- Projects with up to 20 evaluators
- Projects of £10M or below



Procurement solutions to deliver the best possible outcome

Implementing AWARD® KickStart

The AWARD® solution suite is typically deployed on the largest, most complex projects (such as construction, multi-lot or defence programmes). Being easy to use, and delivering tangible savings and benefits, our clients are deploying AWARD® more and more on smaller, less complex projects.

In order to support these projects more effectively, Commerce Decisions has launched AWARD® KickStart. KickStart is a project package that has been optimised for use on smaller projects. It is delivered with a standard process template, ready to support up to two phases of an evaluation. The package allows tailored access to AWARD®, and is available at a lower cost than our standard AWARD® solution.

The AWARD® KickStart package brings structure to the evaluation process. Project team members follow templated best practice workflows from receipt of bids through to contract award.

KickStart enables the team to evaluate compliance questions and criteria effectively and efficiently. User permissions ensure that evaluators are only allowed access to the criteria and bid documents that they are scoring. The bid documents are viewed electronically, with hyperlinks automatically established to link the relevant criteria and documents. This removes the need to load the bids onto shared drives or to reproduce multiple hard copies.

The scores and rationale collected in the evaluation are quickly and easily reviewed to determine the Authority's decision.

What you get with AWARD® KickStart

- The AWARD® KickStart package
- A best practice process template compiled with the benefit of \$400bn of procurement experience
- Kick-off meeting to talk through the KickStart package with an experienced AWARD® practitioner and procurement expert

- Two configuration and quality reviews
- Train the trainer session to enable effective training of evaluators
- 10 'AWARD® Evaluation Quick Reference Guides' for evaluators
- Access to the Evaluator 'Quick Start' training video
- Access to Commerce Decisions' ExpertAssist service
- Helpdesk support during UK business hours

Who can access AWARD® KickStart?

- Charities
- Higher Education institutions
- Local government organisations

The AWARD® Dataroom & Interaction modules can be added to the AWARD® KickStart package – please speak to your account director for more details or advice.

Please contact Commerce Decisions for details of the full AWARD® Suite and the training and support packages available.

Commerce Decisions will advise you on the delivery of a best practice approach quickly and cost effectively using AWARD® KickStart.