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Planning

Pre-market Engagement Exercise and Questionnaire for the Strategic Partner Project, Part of the EdIS Programme of work

Education Authority NI

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Education Authority NI

40 Academy Street

Belfast

BT1 2NQ

Email

ets.procurement@eani.org.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Pre-market Engagement Exercise and Questionnaire for the Strategic Partner Project, Part of the EdIS Programme of work

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72500000 - Computer-related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This is a pre-market engagement (PME) exercise for the Strategic Partner Project, part of EA's EdIS Programme (formally ETS Programme). This is a continuation of the pre-market engagement activities carried out by the Programme in 2021. EA are hosting a further PME session specifically for those suppliers interested in bidding for the Strategic Partner Project. The session will be held virtually via MS Teams. The purpose of this session is for the Authority to explain and seek supplier views and feedback on potential approaches to:

(a) procuring and contracting the Strategic Partner for EdIS and

(b) managing the transition from the existing systems and suppliers to new systems and suppliers to be contracted under the Programme.

The Authority will issue a PME briefing document in the week prior to the PME session, which will set out a number of considerations on which the Authority is seeking the market's views as part of developing its procurement strategy and transition strategy. The Authority will explain and discuss these considerations at the PME meeting, and asks interested suppliers to provide a short written response to each of these considerations.

As the PME will consider a range of technical, commercial and procurement considerations, the Authority requests that interested suppliers nominate their attendees with this in mind. There is a limit of three attendees per organisation. The PME commercial meeting (all interested suppliers) will take place on Wednesday 12th January (AM). Please confirm your attendance by return email to ETS.Procurement@eani.org.uk with the following details for the attendees from your organisation:-

- name
- business title
- email address

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £250,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

21 February 2022

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes