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## **Preliminary Market Consultation Document - Educational Play Equipment**

Education Authority NI

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Education Authority NI

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BT42 2HS

#### **Email**

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#### **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

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

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#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 37000000 - Musical instruments, sport goods, games, toys, handicraft, art materials and accessories

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

This is not a tender exercise by the Education Authority.

The current Framework Agreement for Supply and Delivery of Educational Play Equipment (Ref 70297) is due to expire on the 31st December 2021, and as such the EA is currently preparing to initiate the re-tender procurement process.

The purpose of this market consultation exercise is to gain an understanding of the latest developments and innovations in the provision of Educational Play Equipment and to assist the Education Authority (EA) in ensuring that the most efficient and effective methods for the supply, delivery and installation of Educational Play Equipment are undertaken and included in its forthcoming procurement exercise.

Any information gathered through this market consultation exercise will inform internal business planning and any possible subsequent procurement process and will NOT be appraised in any future procurement exercise.

Please note that participation or non-participation in this preliminary market consultation exercise shall not prevent any supplier participating in any potential procurement process, nor is it intended that any information supplied shall place any supplier at an advantage or disadvantage in any forthcoming procurement process.

For the avoidance of doubt, this is the scoping phase of the project and is not part of a formal procurement process. EA would like to invite participation in the market consultation exercise, by interested suppliers completing the questionnaire in Appendix A.

This questionnaire will be used to assist in gaining a better understanding of the feasibility of the requirements, the most appropriate procurement and operational approach, the capacity of the market to deliver the requirements and an opportunity for the market to highlight any possible risks or issues that may not have previously been considered.

Any submission received in response to this exercise will not constitute any contractual agreement between the respondent and the EA.

All completed questionnaires must be returned via the Messaging function on eTendersNI no later than 3pm on Friday 29th January 2021.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Educational Play Equipment

Lot No

Lot 1 Supply Delivery and Installation of Outdoor Educational Play Equipment

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 37000000 - Musical instruments, sport goods, games, toys, handicraft, art materials and accessories
- 37500000 - Games and toys; fairground amusements
- 37520000 - Toys
- 22461000 - Catalogues
- 43325000 - Park and playground equipment
- 45112723 - Landscaping work for playgrounds
- 50870000 - Repair and maintenance services of playground equipment
- 39293300 - Artificial grass

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM
- UKN - NORTHERN IRELAND
- 00 - Other NUTS code
- 00 - Other NUTS code
- 00 - Other NUTS code

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Outdoor Play Equipment will be defined as larger pieces of equipment that is fixed to the ground. Consideration is being given to this Lot including the supply, delivery, installation and annual safety inspection of new equipment and replacement items.

Proposed Categories of Items within Scope of Lot 1

- Climbing Frames (Wooden / Metal / Plastic)
- Treetop Towers
- Balancing Trails
- Trampolines
- Swing Sets,
- Slides / Cable Rides
- See-Saws and Rockers
- Spring-Based Play Equipment
- Roundabouts
- Playhouses
- Outdoor Gym / Fitness Equipment
- Electronic Play System
- Garden Toys
- Outdoor Furniture

- Inclusive Play Equipment
- Toddler Playground Equipment

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Educational Play Equipment

Lot No

Lot 2 Supply and Delivery of Indoor Educational Play Equipment

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 37000000 - Musical instruments, sport goods, games, toys, handicraft, art materials and accessories
- 37500000 - Games and toys; fairground amusements
- 37520000 - Toys
- 22461000 - Catalogues
- 39162000 - Educational equipment
- 37524100 - Educational games

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM
- UKN - NORTHERN IRELAND
- 00 - Other NUTS code
- 00 - Other NUTS code
- 00 - Other NUTS code

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Proposed Categories of Items within Scope of Lot 2

- Sand and Water Play Equipment – e.g. water / sand trays, mud kitchens,

- Imaginative Role Play / Pretend Play Equipment- e.g. costumes, playhouse, shop, workbench, puppets etc.
- Traditional Wooden Puzzles / Board games
- Educational Toys and Games
- Educational Classroom Materials
- Ride and Scoot Toys
- Sports and Fitness Equipment
- Vehicles and Construction Toys
- Sensory Equipment for Special Educational Needs e.g. lighting, audio, value boxes, balance and movement etc.
- Educational Furniture
- Educational Soft Play and Support Equipment e.g. Bean Bags, Mats etc.
- Teacher Resource Packs

### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

1 June 2021

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## **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