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Planning

ID 5631058 - DAERA - CAFRE - Pre-Market Engagement - Delivery of a New Suite of Bespoke Training Schemes

DAERA: College of Agriculture, Food and Rural Enterprise

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04d039

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

DAERA: College of Agriculture, Food and Rural Enterprise

45 Tirgracy Road

Antrim

BT41 4PS

Email

SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKN - Northern Ireland

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

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

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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Reference number

5631058

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80500000 - Training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80510000 - Specialist training services
- 80540000 - Environmental training services
- 80590000 - Tutorial services
- 80550000 - Safety training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Preceding this PME, the proposed timeline for implementing procurement is as follows:

- Apr 2025 – Procurement exercise begins.
- July 2025 - Appointment of Supplier(s)
- Sept 2025 – Start of delivery

Please see Questionnaire for full details.

The time limit for responses to this PME is 3pm on 28th January 2025.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 April 2025

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