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Contract

## **CAT-23-001-004: General Tableware Items**

Education Authority

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-002524

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03c275

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

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

Education Authority

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **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.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**

CAT-23-001-004: General Tableware Items

Reference number

CAT-23-001-004 General Tableware Items Lot 6

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

- 39310000 - Catering equipment

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

Supplies

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

The Education Authority in Northern Ireland requires the supply and delivery of General Tableware Items (Tableware, Plastic Tableware, Stainless Steel Cutlery, Jugs and Measures) to individual educational establishments within Northern Ireland for an initial

period ending 30 September 2026 (with the option to extend for a further period of up to 12 months) on a call-off as required basis.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £421,000

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

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

- 39310000 - Catering equipment

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom
- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

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#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 20

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 80

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The option to extend for one further period of up to 12 months as per Commercial

Conditions of Contract.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

Education Authority for Northern Ireland has awarded the following competition – CAT-23-001-004 General Tableware Items from Education Authority Dynamic Purchasing System CAT-23-001 for Catering Equipment, Lot 6 Tableware. This Contract will be established on behalf of EA, Primary and Post Primary schools under the control of the EA, Catholic Maintained Schools, Independent Schools in NI, Irish Medium Schools in NI, both Controlled and Voluntary Grammar Schools, Nursery School for NI both controlled and Catholic Maintained, school meals kitchens on-site at all of these schools, and Controlled Youth Centres. <https://www.education-ni.gov.uk/services/schools-plus>. Further Education Colleges in NI. <https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/contacts/further-education-fecolleges>. Grant Controlled Integrated Education Schools in NI. <https://www.nicie.org/parents/schoolfinder/>. Independent School in NI . <https://www.isc.co.uk/schools/northern-ireland/.Libraries> NI. <https://www.librariesni.org.uk/Libraries/>. EA Teachers' and Educational Centres. Council for the Curriculum, Examination and Assessment NI CCEA . Armagh Observatory and Planetarium. Middletown Centre for Autism. Controlled Schools Support Council CSSC. Northern Ireland Council for Integrated Education NICIE who may also use this Contract. The value shown in II.2.6 is the highest value estimated value of the contract is £421,000 excluding VAT GBP which has been calculated on the basis of a 2 year and 10 month period with the option to extend by a further period of 12 months. The value also includes contingency for higher demand during the contract period, and for additional users. There is no commitment as to the usage, volume, or value of products required under this Contract.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2023/S 000-015449](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

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### **Title**

Contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

2 November 2023

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 5

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 5

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 5

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

#### **V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £421,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £421,000

## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

These contracts (as awarded via further competitions from CAT-23-001 Catering Equipment Dynamic Purchasing System) are let by the Northern Ireland Education Authority ("EA") and are open to the EA, including NI educational bodies as follows and at some point during the life of the agreement under this DPS these bodies may wish to utilise the agreement and should have access, at any point, with the permission of EA. This agreement is not intended to replace any current agreements that participating or non-participating institutions may already have in place. Primary and Post Primary schools under the control of the EA, Catholic Maintained Schools, Independent Schools in NI, Irish Medium Schools in NI, both Controlled and, Voluntary Grammar Schools, Nursery School for NI (both controlled and Catholic Maintained), school meals kitchens on-site at all of these schools, and Controlled Youth Centres. . <https://www.education-ni.gov.uk/services/schools-plus>. . Further Education Colleges in NI. <https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/contacts/further-education-fe-colleges>. . Grant Controlled Integrated Education Schools in NI. <https://www.nicie.org/parents/school-finder/>. . Independent School in NI. <https://www.isc.co.uk/schools/northern-ireland/>. . Libraries NI. <https://www.librariesni.org.uk/Libraries/>. . EA Teachers' and Educational Centres. Council for the Curriculum, Examination and Assessment NI (CCEA) . Armagh Observatory and Planetarium. Middletown Centre for Autism. Controlled Schools Support Council (CSSC). Northern Ireland Council for Integrated Education (NICIE)

### VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

The UK does not have any special review body with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures in public procurement competitions. Instead; any challenges are dealt with by the High Court, Commercial Division, to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the PCR 2015

Belfast

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