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## **\*\* PRELIMINARY MARKET CONSULATION QUESTIONNAIRE - CLASSROOM FURNITURE \*\***

Education Authority NI

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

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

Education Authority NI

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OMAGH

BT79 9NW

#### **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.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/>

## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

## **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

- 39160000 - School furniture

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

#### II.1.4) Short description

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#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 8

## **II.2) Description**

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

Pupils' Chairs

Lot No

1

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

- 39160000 - School furniture

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

NUTS codes

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM
- UKN - NORTHERN IRELAND

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## **II.2) Description**

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

Pupils' Desks

Lot No

2

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- 39160000 - School furniture

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NUTS codes

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## **II.2) Description**

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

Pupil's Examination Desk

Lot No

3

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- 39160000 - School furniture

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

NUTS codes

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM
- UKN0 - Northern Ireland

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## **II.2) Description**

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

Pupils' Tables

Lot No

4

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- 39160000 - School furniture

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

NUTS codes

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM
- UKN0 - Northern Ireland

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## **II.2) Description**

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

Pupil's Home Economics Bench

Lot No

5

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NUTS codes

- UKN0 - Northern Ireland
- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

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## **II.2) Description**

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

Soft Seating

Lot No

6

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## **II.2) Description**

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

Teacher's Workstation, Pedestal and Chair

Lot No

7

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## **II.2) Description**

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

Classroom Storage

Lot No

8

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

24 March 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

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

- Please note any interest shown at this stage does not constitute a commitment to participate in a procurement exercise, nor does it constitute any contractual agreement between the respondent and the EA. Failure to show interest does not restrict providers from participating in any future procurement exercise, nor is it intended that any information supplied shall place any provider at an advantage or dis-advantage 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. Respondents' views will not be individually identified or revealed to third parties outside of this project. All information provided in this exercise will be treated in confidence and will not be attributed to an individual organisation.
- At this stage no commercial information is to be submitted nor are there any formal tender documents to be completed. In responding, you should understand that detailed and lengthy submissions are not necessary at this stage. Nonetheless, we welcome any pertinent information on your company's capability and views on the range of services required. Respondents' views will not be individually identified or revealed to third parties outside of this project. It is anticipated that the future tender documentation will be made available via the <http://etendersni.gov.uk> website during March 2021 and potential tenderers should register on this website to ensure they have access to tender documentation when the tender is published. The date relating to the publication of the contract notice is tentative and may be subject to change.