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## **CPD on Supporting Struggling Readers in Secondary Schools**

Department for Education

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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

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

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

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#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education>

Buyer's address

<https://education.app.jaggaer.com>

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Education

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

CPD on Supporting Struggling Readers in Secondary Schools

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services

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

Services

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

The purpose of this Prior Information Notice (PIN) is to notify the market of a potential opportunity to bid for a Continuing Professional Development (CPD) programme to support secondary schools to support struggling readers in Key Stage 3.

Interested parties are invited to a market engagement event on 13 February 2025 (14:00-15:00) to hear further details and share any views or questions relating to this potential opportunity.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 80200000 - Secondary education services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Reading is the essential foundation for success in all subjects, yet for a range of reasons, many children start Key Stage 3 below the expected reading level. At Key Stage 3,

reading is crucial to access the whole curriculum, and children who are behind at the start of secondary school risk falling further behind by Key Stage 4.

Secondary schools need to support children to catch up rapidly, including children who may have become disengaged, mask their reading difficulties, or struggle with very specific components of reading. However, secondary schools have less access to training in early reading compared to primary schools.

We are looking for a provider to develop a continuous professional development (CPD) package for the secondary school workforce, to equip secondary schools to put evidence-based support in place for struggling readers. We are interested in a range of tools and resources that could support this aim, as well as different approaches to delivering training.

The support offer would be developed next financial year and will need to be accessible to a wide range of secondary schools. This event is to inform the market of this potential opportunity and to explore options to develop our requirement to best meet the needs of the secondary school workforce.

For information: Attendance at the market engagement events is not a pre-requisite for being able to submit a tender against this opportunity. If you are unable to attend the market engagement event, the slides and any Q&A outcomes will be made available.

This notice is a zero value PIN notice for early market engagement. It is for information only and is not a call for competition.

The Department reserves the right not to enter a formal procurement process and not proceed with contract award. Accordingly, the Department will not be liable for any bid cost, expenditure, work or effort incurred by any organisation in acting on the basis of this Prior Information Notice.

To attend the event you will need to register on the following portal:

<https://education.app.jaggaer.com>

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All information included in this notice is indicative and subject to change.

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

14 February 2025

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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