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Planning

Pre Market Engagement - 250086 AMIC Global Point Cafe

Queen's University Belfast

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Scope

Reference

250086

Description

Queen's University Belfast are undertaking a pre market engagement exercise, seeking expressions of interest from suppliers in relation to the provision of Cafe and Catering Services at AMIC Factory of the Future, Global Point, Newtownabbey.

Contract dates (estimated)

- 14 September 2026 to 13 September 2029
- Possible extension to 13 September 2031

- 5 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 55330000 - Cafeteria services
- 55500000 - Canteen and catering services

Engagement

Engagement deadline

9 February 2026

Engagement process description

Suitable operators are invited to express an interest in this opportunity reference 250086 - via this tendering platform <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/queensuniversitybelfast/aspx/Home> by 4pm 09/02/2026.

In order to express an interest and engage with Queen's regarding this opportunity, you must use our tendering platform detailed above.

Queen's may then undertake discussion with individual suppliers to discuss the proposed approach to market, prior to a formal tender exercise, following a review of the expressions of interest received.

Queen's may undertake site visits and information sessions with interested suppliers in

order to further inform decision making, ahead of undertaking any formal competition.

This Pre Market Engagement exercise is not a formal call for competition.

Participation in this exercise is not a pre requisite for participation in any future competition.

This Pre Market Engagement exercise is a follow up to a previously published PME exercise - Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-063451.

Suppliers are welcome to view the previously published survey which provides a background to the requirement at the above tendering platform.

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

11 May 2026

Procedure

Special regime

Concession

Contracting authority

Queen's University Belfast

- Charity Commission for Northern Ireland: 101788

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Region: UKN06 - Belfast

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Northern Ireland