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Tender

FAE-22-007 SPECIALIST FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT FOR PUPILS WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS

Education Authority NI

F02: Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-004889

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0373d2

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Education Authority NI

40 Academy Street

Belfast

BT1 2NQ

Email

equipment.procure@eani.org.uk

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.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

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

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

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

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

FAE-22-007 SPECIALIST FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT FOR PUPILS WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 33192300 - Medical furniture except beds and tables

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The Education Authority (EA) invites tenders for the supply and delivery of SPECIALIST FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT FOR PUPILS WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS to individual schools and EA locations within Northern Ireland for a period of 4 years. This Framework Agreement will contain 4 lots as follows: Lot 1 – Specialist Equipment , Lot 2 – Specialist Furniture , Lot 3 – Sensory Equipment and Lot 4 – Audiology/ Communication Sound Systems. This framework agreement is let by the Northern Ireland Education Authority (“EA”) and is open to the EA, including NI educational bodies as follows and at some point during the life of the framework agreement these bodies may wish to utilise the agreement and should have access, at any point, with the permission of EA. This framework agreement is not intended to replace any current contracts/framework agreements that participating or non-participating institutions may already have in place. <https://www.education-ni.gov.uk/services/schools-plus> 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.nidirect.gov.uk/contacts/further-education-fe-colleges> Further Education Colleges in NI, <https://www.nicie.org/parents/school-finder/> Grant Controlled Integrated Education Schools in NI, <https://www.isc.co.uk/schools/northern-ireland/> Independent School in NI, 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)

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £16,400,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for maximum number of lots
4

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 1 - Specialist Equipment

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33196000 - Medical aids
- 39121100 - Desks
- 42416300 - Hoists
- 33693000 - Other therapeutic products
- 33185000 - Hearing aids
- 37500000 - Games and toys; fairground amusements
- 39541220 - Slings
- 33192000 - Medical furniture
- 39151000 - Miscellaneous furniture
- 39151300 - Modular furniture
- 39160000 - School furniture
- 33185100 - Parts and accessories for hearing aids

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £4,920,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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

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II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 2 - Specialist Furniture

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33196000 - Medical aids
- 39121100 - Desks
- 42416300 - Hoists
- 33693000 - Other therapeutic products
- 33185000 - Hearing aids
- 37500000 - Games and toys; fairground amusements
- 39541220 - Slings
- 33192000 - Medical furniture
- 39151000 - Miscellaneous furniture
- 39151300 - Modular furniture
- 39160000 - School furniture
- 33185100 - Parts and accessories for hearing aids

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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

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II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 3 - Sensory Equipment

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33196000 - Medical aids
- 39121100 - Desks
- 42416300 - Hoists

- 33693000 - Other therapeutic products
- 33185000 - Hearing aids
- 37500000 - Games and toys; fairground amusements
- 39541220 - Slings
- 33192000 - Medical furniture
- 39151000 - Miscellaneous furniture
- 39151300 - Modular furniture
- 39160000 - School furniture
- 33185100 - Parts and accessories for hearing aids

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £4,920,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

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No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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

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II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 4 - Audiology / Communication Sound Systems

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33196000 - Medical aids
- 39121100 - Desks
- 42416300 - Hoists
- 33693000 - Other therapeutic products
- 33185000 - Hearing aids
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II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,640,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 20

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: [2022/S 000-028224](#)

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

20 March 2023

Local time

3:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Tender must be valid until: 18 June 2023

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

20 March 2023

Local time

3:30pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The UK does not currently have any such bodies with responsibilities for appeal/mediation procedures.

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom