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## **Pre-tender Market Engagement - MaPS Debt Advice Commissioning**

Money and Pensions Service

F14: Notice for changes or additional information

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Pre-tender Market Engagement - MaPS Debt Advice Commissioning

Reference number

21-39

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

- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

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

Services

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

The Money and Pensions Service, MaPS (the "Authority") is an arm's-length body, sponsored by the Department for Work and Pensions, with a joint commitment to ensure information, guidance and advice is provided to members of the public in the clearest and most cost-effective way. This Early Engagement Notice is to advise prospective providers of the Authority's intention and is not a formal call for tender. The Money and Pensions Service will be issuing tenders for the delivery of high-quality Debt Advice and the administration of Debt Relief Orders (DROs). MaPS will be holding a Supplier Engagement Session on Thursday 13th May 2021 via a Teams Meeting. To attend this meeting please follow the registration details provided in section II.2.14. Additional information of this notice.

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.6) Original notice reference

Notice number: [2021/S 000-009011](#)

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## Section VII. Changes

### VII.1) Information to be changed or added

### VII.2) Other additional information

#### Supplier Engagement Event

MaPS will be holding a Supplier Engagement Session on Thursday 13th May 2021; the invitation and a pre-event copy of the slide deck are available on request by emailing [Erika.Helps@maps.org.uk](mailto:Erika.Helps@maps.org.uk).

If you have comments or questions arising from the content of this deck we would welcome these being submitted in advance so that we can ensure that MaPS presenters cover as many of these as possible on the day. Please submit these clarifications through our survey which will remain open until the 21st May to ensure that post event reflections can also be captured.

The link for the survey is:

<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/MaPSDebtCommissioningSurvey/>

All survey responses will be considered as we finalise our requirements before the tender opportunity goes live. As this is not a call for evidence we will be unable to consider additional information (i.e. links or embedded docs) and we would encourage you to keep comments and clarifications as focused as possible. Wherever possible, we would also encourage organisations to submit collective questions or comments.

#### Project Details

The Authority intends to recommission all agreements for national and regional debt advice provision, small business debt advice and the administration of DROs. Commissioned services will cover England only.

DROs will be delivered by Competent Authorities and will provide both national remote services and regional provision.

National, regional and business debt advice will be commissioned through separate agreements. Organisations that wish to deliver debt advice must hold the relevant FCA authorisation (to provide debt advice) unless they have a valid FCA-authorized exemption. However, organisations wishing to take part in the bidding process do not need to have received FCA authorisation to bid or to act as a consortium lead during the delivery of services but must ensure the delivery partners are FCA authorised.

The agreements shall be for three years with the option for a further two-year extension (all agreements will have an annual break clause as funding is subject to HMT/DWP approval on an annual cycle).

#### Project Value

The maximum combined value for all lots will be:

£192,500,000 m excluding VAT (for three years) or

£231,000,000 m including VAT (for three years)