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## **P-2972 Bus Substitution Framework (Railway Closures)**

Translink

F05: Contract notice – utilities

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-010398

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-044b2c

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### **Section I: Contracting entity**

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

Translink

Procurement Department

Belfast

BT2 7LX

#### **Email**

[etni@translink.co.uk](mailto:etni@translink.co.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 to the above-mentioned address

### **I.6) Main activity**

Urban railway, tramway, trolleybus or bus services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

P-2972 Bus Substitution Framework (Railway Closures)

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

- 60172000 - Hire of buses and coaches with driver

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

Services

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

Translink are seeking a competent contractor to establish a single supplier framework to provide adhoc bus substitution services to support Translink Rail services in times of planned and unplanned closures. Your response must be submitted via the relevant Call for Tender (CfT) on the eTendersNI portal. Instructions on how to submit your response

can be found within the Interactive Walkthrough on the eTendersNI Homepage. Under this procurement the Economic Operator will be required to support the Client's social benefit objectives. Accordingly, contract performance conditions may relate, in particular, to social considerations. No other method of submission will be accepted.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £80,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 60172000 - Hire of buses and coaches with driver

#### **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**

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 80

Cost criterion - Name: Financial / Weighting: 20

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £8,000,000

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

extensions of up to 24 months

### **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

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## **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 a single operator

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

## **IV.2) Administrative information**

### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2024/S 000-009176](#)

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

Date

29 April 2024

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: 26 October 2024

### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

29 April 2024

Local time

3:30pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: March 2029

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

High Court

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom