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## **PRE MARKET ENGAGEMENT FOR EA DRIVER TRAINING**

Education Authority NI

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03c3f8

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

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

Education Authority NI

Ballee Centre, Ballee Road West

Ballymena

BT42 2HS

#### **Contact**

[Business.procureeani.org.uk](https://business.procureeani.org.uk)

#### **Email**

[Business.procure@eani.org.uk](mailto:Business.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**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Education

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

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

- 80510000 - Specialist training services

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

Services

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

**\*\* This is not a tender exercise by the Education Authority\*\*. Education Authority Northern Ireland (EANI) is currently preparing to initiate a procurement process to award a contract for Driver Training throughout Northern Ireland. EANI wishes to engage with the market at this stage to establish the level of market interest and to gather information that will be beneficial in the retendering process. Suppliers who wish to participate in the market engagement exercise should complete the pre-market engagement questionnaire. Further information including the questionnaire can be downloaded from CfT Documents. The questionnaire must be completed and returned via the eTendersNI messaging function no later than 3pm on Friday 05 May 2023. There are no formal tender documents to be completed other than the questionnaire. Any information gathered will NOT be considered in any future tender evaluation exercise. Participation or non-participation in this pre-procurement market engagement shall not prevent any supplier/provider participating in a potential procurement process nor is it intended that any information supplied shall place any supplier/provider at an advantage in any forthcoming procurement process. For the avoidance of doubt, this stage of the project is not part of a formal procurement process and there is no commitment, at this stage to carrying out such a process.**

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

Value excluding VAT: £650,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

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#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The date relating to the publication of the contract notice is tentative and may be subject to change. All.. future tender documentation will be made available via <https://etendersni.gov.uk> and potential tenderers should register on this website to ensure they have access to tender documentation when the tender is published.

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

1 June 2023

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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

