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**Planning** 

# Musical Instruments and associated equipment and supplies

**Education Authority NI** 

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Prior information only

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

# I.1) Name and addresses

**Education Authority NI** 

Ballee Centre

Ballymena

**BT42 2HS** 

#### **Email**

educationresource.procure@eani.org.uk

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

UK - United Kingdom

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

Buyer's address

https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

## I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

# 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

# **Section II: Object**

# II.1) Scope of the procurement

## II.1.1) Title

Musical Instruments and associated equipment and supplies

## II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 37300000 - Musical instruments and parts

## II.1.3) Type of contract

**Supplies** 

## II.1.4) Short description

This is not a tender exercise by the Education Authority. The EA is currently preparing to initiate the a procurement process for the supply and delivery of Musical Instruments and associated equipment and supplies to cover all EA schools and Music Service Centres.

The purpose of this market consultation exercise is to gain an understanding of the latest developments and innovations in the provision Musical Instruments and associated equipment and to assist the Education Authority (EA) in ensuring that the most efficient and effective methods for the supply and delivery of such items are undertaken and included in its forthcoming procurement exercise.

Any information gathered through this market consultation exercise will inform internal business planning and any possible subsequent procurement process and will NOT be appraised in any future procurement exercise. Please note that participation or non-participation in this preliminary market consultation exercise shall not prevent any supplier participating in any potential procurement process, nor is it intended that any information supplied shall place any supplier at an advantage or disadvantage in any forthcoming procurement process.

For the avoidance of doubt, this is the scoping phase of the project and is not part of a formal procurement process. EA would like to invite participation in the market consultation exercise, by interested suppliers completing a questionnaire. This questionnaire will be used to assist in gaining a better understanding of the feasibility of the requirements, the most appropriate procurement and operational approach, the capacity of the market to deliver the requirements and an opportunity for the market to highlight any possible risks or issues that may not have previously been considered.

Any submission received in response to this exercise will not constitute any contractual agreement between the respondent and the EA.

All completed questionnaires must be returned via the Secure Messaging function on eTendersNI no later than 3pm on Friday 6th August 2021

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £4,022,000

#### 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

The scope of the Procurement will include the following:

- Wind Instruments
- String Instruments
- Brass Instruments
- Pianos and Keyboard Instruments
- Percussion Instruments
- Audio Equipment
- Music Accessories
- Servicing and repair of instruments including parts

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

1 October 2021

# 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