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## **Pre Market Engagement Questionnaire - Education Information Solutions Programme - ICT Service Catalogue Provider**

the Education Authority

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-046fff

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

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

the Education Authority

40 Academy Street

Belfast

BT1 2NQ

#### **Email**

[ict.procure@eani.org.uk](mailto:ict.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.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

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## Section II: Object

### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Pre Market Engagement Questionnaire - Education Information Solutions Programme - ICT Service Catalogue Provider

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

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#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

### II.2) Description

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

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

- 30000000 - Office and computing machinery, equipment and supplies except furniture and software packages
- 48000000 - Software package and information systems

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

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

31 January 2025

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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

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) 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.