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Planning

The National Support Service - Supplier Engagement Event

Department for Education

F01: Prior information notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Department for Education

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://gov.uk/dfe>

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

The National Support Service - Supplier Engagement Event

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85321000 - Administrative social services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

DfE is looking for an organisation to develop, co-ordinate and manage a 'National Support Service' for Local Authority (LA) fostering service providers, which will offer in-depth diagnostic support specifically focused on their recruitment and approval practices, with the aim of providing bespoke recommendations for improvement, alongside building a strong evidence base from which to share good practice nationally.

In order to provide further information on the opportunity a market engagement webinar will be held on Thursday 20th July 2023 from 10:00 – 11:00. This will be an online event

hosted through Microsoft Teams platform.

To register for the event, you will need to be registered as a supplier on the DfE Jaggaer eTendering portal, available at <https://education.app.jaggaer.com/web/login.html>

Once registered the event will be accessible via the 'View Opportunities' link on the Homepage. Select the Opportunity Notice for 'The National Support Service' Supplier Engagement Event' (SSQ 402) and this will take you directly to the registration page.

The closing date for registering your interest of the market engagement event is 09:00am GMT on the 20/07/23.

Once registered you will be sent the Microsoft Teams meeting invite via the Jaggaer portal messaging service.

DfE look forward to welcoming you to this event, and thank you for your interest in this procurement.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79410000 - Business and management consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

4 September 2023

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