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Planning

Pre-Market Engagement for Belfast Labour Market Partnership's (BLMP) Gateway to Choices Services

Belfast City Council

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Belfast City Council

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Belfast

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKN06 - Belfast

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.belfastcity.gov.uk

Buyer's address

www.e-sourcingni.bravosolution.co.uk

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Pre-Market Engagement for Belfast Labour Market Partnership's (BLMP) Gateway to Choices Services

Reference number

T2250

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The purpose of this Prior Information Notice (PIN) is to notify the market of Belfast Labour Market Partnership's (BLMP) intention to hold a pre-market engagement (PME) session with interested parties to inform them of a new Gateway to Choices Service (GtCS) which will be put out to tender later this year.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN06 - Belfast

Main site or place of performance

Belfast, Northern Ireland.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The new GtCS will be a specialist triage support resource which will help Belfast residents who are part of the target group (i.e. long-term unemployed, economically inactive, under-employed) through referrals to appropriate existing provision and utilise all existing funding mechanisms and interventions, including those in health. The ultimate goal of the GtCS is to get more of those further back in the labour market to engage in existing provision which is there to support their employability and skills journey towards employment. The contract holder will also be expected to create an integrated framework of employability and skills provision in the city (and beyond), ensuring support for Belfast residents through GtCS.

The PME session will give a brief overview of the new GtCS, including further details regarding the above areas of work and potential requirements. It will also give a brief overview of the procurement process including an indicative timeline.

The session will be run via MS Teams and representatives from KPMG, Belfast Labour Market Partnership and Belfast City Council Commercial Procurement Services will be in attendance. A briefing presentation will be delivered and there will then be an opportunity for interested parties to submit written feedback and/or questions.

The date of the PME session will be Thursday 15th September 2022 at 3pm and will last approximately 60 - 90 minutes. If you are interested in attending the PME session, please register your interest by sending an email to Rachel Crothers (Category Officer) at crothersr@belfastcity.gov.uk by 12pm on Wednesday 14th September 2022. Please note that a maximum of two attendees from each Organisation may be permitted to attend.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

31 October 2022

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