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Planning

## **Pre-Market Engagement - Foodstuffs**

Education Authority NI

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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

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

Education Authority NI

3 Charlemont Place, The Mall

ARMAGH

#### **Email**

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

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Pre-Market Engagement - Foodstuffs

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

- 15000000 - Food, beverages, tobacco and related products

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

Supplies

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

The Education Authority seeks to establish frameworks for the supply and delivery of foodstuffs to school kitchens located throughout Northern Ireland and will procure these frameworks early in 2022.

As part of the preparation activities, the Education Authority are holding a pre-market engagement event intended to investigate and understand supply market capabilities to inform the development of specifications and tender documentation.

The event will be a virtual session and is open to all interested suppliers.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom
- UKN - Northern Ireland
- UKN0 - Northern Ireland

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

No final decision has been made yet on the composition of these frameworks and it is the intention of the Education Authority to hold a pre-market engagement event on Thursday 25th November 2021 via MS Teams or Zoom to discuss our requirements and gain feedback, via a questionnaire issued to interested suppliers.

Should you wish to participate you must email [catering.procure@eani.org.uk](mailto:catering.procure@eani.org.uk) with the subject CAT-21-XXX - Pre-market engagement event no later than 12 noon on Monday 22nd November 2021.

Your email should include the names of the representatives wishing to attend, the name of your organisation and a summary of the products your organisation is interested in supplying.

Future tender documentation will be made available via the <http://etendersni.gov.uk> website and interested suppliers should register, if not already registered, on this website to ensure they have access to tender documentation when any invitation to tenders are published.

This pre-market engagement event is for information purposes only. Any interest shown does not constitute a commitment to participate in a procurement exercise. Failure to show interest does not restrict suppliers from participating in any future procurement exercise.

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

The date relating to the publication of the contract notices are 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 opportunities are published..

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

28 February 2022

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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

