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Planning

Pre Market Consultation Exercise for EA Catering Equipment Requirements for School Meals Kitchens throughout Northern Ireland

the Education Authority

F01: Prior information notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

the Education Authority

40 Academy Street

Belfast

BT1 2NQ

Email

catering.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.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

Pre Market Consultation Exercise for EA Catering Equipment Requirements for School Meals Kitchens throughout Northern Ireland

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 39310000 - Catering equipment

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

**** This is not a tender exercise by the Education Authority**** The Education Authority (EA) wishes to establish two frameworks, one for the Supply and delivery of Ware washing and Refrigeration Equipment, and the second for Supply and Delivery of Cooking Equipment, for EA's Catering Service and the participating bodies named. Details of the anticipated equipment requirement can be found within the Pre Market Engagement Questionnaire within this eTendersNI project. As part of the preparation activities the Education Authority request that suppliers review and respond to the Pre-Market Engagement Questionnaire which will help EA understand market capabilities and gain knowledge to inform the development of specifications and tender documentation. The exercise will also provide procurement awareness for suppliers regarding the EA's requirements for the purchase of these products. Should you wish to participate in this pre-market engagement exercise, please complete the Pre-Market Engagement Questionnaire and return by the closing date noted in the questionnaire. 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. Any interest shown does not constitute a commitment to participate in a procurement exercise. Please note that participation or non-participation in this preliminary market consultation exercise shall not prevent any supplier from 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. Further information including the questionnaire can be downloaded from Cft documents. The Questionnaire must be completed and returned via the Messaging function of eTendersNI

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

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

31 August 2024

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