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## **PRE-MARKET ENGAGEMENT FOR ELITERATURE FOR LIBRARIES NI**

the Education Authority

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Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0496e6

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

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

the Education Authority

Ballee Road West

Ballymena

BT42 2HS

#### **Email**

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

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**Section II: Object****II.1) Scope of the procurement****II.1.1) Title**

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**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 92511000 - Library services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

This is not a tender exercise by the Education Authority. Education Authority Northern Ireland (EANI) is currently preparing to initiate a procurement process to award a Framework for eLiterature for Libraries NI. EANI wishes

to engage with the market at this stage to establish the level of market interest and to gather information that will be beneficial in the

retendering process. Suppliers who wish to participate in the market engagement exercise should complete the pre-market engagement

questionnaire. Further information including the questionnaire can be downloaded from CfT Documents. The questionnaire must be

completed and returned via the eTendersNI messaging function no later than 3pm on Friday 13 September 2024. There are no formal tender documents to be completed other than the questionnaire. Any information gathered will NOT be considered in any future tender evaluation exercise. Participation or non participation in this pre-procurement market engagement shall not prevent any supplier/provider participating in a potential procurement process nor is it intended that any information supplied shall place any supplier/ provider at

an advantage in any forthcoming procurement process. For the avoidance of doubt, this stage of the project is not part of a formal procurement process and there is no commitment, at this stage to carrying out such a process.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 48160000 - Library software package
- 72500000 - Computer-related services
- 22213000 - Magazines
- 22200000 - Newspapers, journals, periodicals and magazines
- 22210000 - Newspapers
- 79980000 - Subscription services
- 22113000 - Library books

#### **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**

12 December 2024

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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