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# PRE-MARKET ENGAGEMENT FOR CATALOGUE RECORDS FOR LIBRARIES NI

the Education Authority

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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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

#### 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 ENGAGEMENT FOR CATALOGUE RECORDS FOR LIBRARIES NI

#### 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 Contract for Catalogue Records 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

- 79995000 Library management services
- 72500000 Computer-related services

#### 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

## 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