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Planning

## **ID 4400448 - DoF - OpenDataNI - Hosting and Support - PME**

Department of Finance - OpenDataNI

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-037d05

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

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

Department of Finance - OpenDataNI

Goodwood house, 44-58 May Street

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BT1 4NN

#### **Email**

[SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk](mailto:SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.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.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**

General public services

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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

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

\*\*\*PRE MARKET ENGAGEMENT EXERCISE \*\*\* ID 4400448 - DoF - OpenDataNI - Hosting and Support - PME. The Department of Finance wishes to establish a contract with a Supplier to provide an online web portal to host, maintain and update datasets. The current contract is due to expire in 15/09/2023. The 1st Northern Ireland Open Data Strategy set out how the NICS aimed to build capacity for open data in Northern Ireland and develop an open data ecosystem with public sector bodies being pro-active in publishing their data. Following a strategy review process (that included running an online consultation exercise and facilitating face-to-face stakeholder workshops), a revised Open Data Strategy for Northern Ireland 2020-2023 has been developed. Key to supporting the delivery of the new Open Data Strategy and its ambitious implementation plan is the continual availability of the OpenDataNI portal. The ODNI portal has become established as the public face of the Northern Ireland public sectors approach to open government and open data. Please see the Pre-Market Engagement exercise document (inc. questionnaire) for all relevant details. The objectives of this exercise are to: • gain initial supplier awareness, engagement and opinion, • provide confidence around viability of concept; • gain insight to the market possibilities and potential innovative solutions; • understand risks and issues not previously considered; • inform the Procurement Strategy; and • prevent the Department from advertising an unachievable project

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#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems
- 48200000 - Networking, Internet and intranet software package
- 48600000 - Database and operating software package
- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support
- 72200000 - Software programming and consultancy services
- 72300000 - Data services

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

Pre-market engagement exercise.

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

31 January 2023

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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