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Planning

****Pre-Market Consultation** Exercise For IP Telephony And Unified Communications Solutions For The Education Authority**

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

40 Academy Street

Belfast

BT1 2NQ

Email

ict.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.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

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 64200000 - Telecommunications services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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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.2.14) Additional information

The date relating to the publication of the contract notice is 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 is published

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 June 2023

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