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Planning

## **Framework Agreement for the Supply, Delivery and Maintenance of Multi-Function Devices and Photocopiers to Schools in Northern Ireland.**

Education Authority

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

ICT-25-012

### **Description**

The primary purpose of this preliminary market engagement exercise ("Exercise") is for the Education Authority (EA) to explain, and seek supplier views and feedback on, potential approaches for a Framework Agreement to be established for the Supply, Delivery and Maintenance of Multi-Function Devices and Photocopiers to Schools in Northern Ireland.

Any information gathered through this market consultation exercise will inform internal business planning and any possible subsequent procurement process and will NOT be appraised in any future tender evaluation exercise. Please note that participation or nonparticipation 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. 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 of CfT 6034936.

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 from 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.

## **Commercial tool**

Establishes a framework

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 February 2026 to 31 January 2030
- 4 years

## **Main procurement category**

Goods

## **CPV classifications**

- 30000000 - Office and computing machinery, equipment and supplies except furniture and software packages

## **Contract locations**

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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## **Engagement**

### **Engagement deadline**

31 August 2025

### **Engagement process description**

Questionnaire submission followed by Supplier Engagement days via MS Teams.

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## **Participation**

### **Particular suitability**

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

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## Submission

### Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

1 October 2025

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## Contracting authority

### Education Authority

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PPHJ-6982-JPXY

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Northern Ireland