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## **EDR-24-009 PRE-SERVICED BOOK STOCK FOR LIBRARIES NI AND EA SCHOOL LIBRARIES**

the Education Authority  
Libraries NI  
the Education Authority

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0493bf

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

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

the Education Authority

40 Academy Street

Belfast

BT1 2NQ

#### **Contact**

educationresource.procureeani.org.uk

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

Libraries NI

Lisburn City Library 23 Linenhall Street

Lisburn

BT28 1FJ

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## **I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

## **I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of

charge, at

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

#### **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**

EDR-24-009 PRE-SERVICED BOOK STOCK FOR LIBRARIES NI AND EA SCHOOL LIBRARIES

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 22113000 - Library books

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

The Education Authority invites tenders on behalf of Libraries NI and EA School Libraries (the Clients) for the purpose of establishing Contracts for the provision of Pre-Serviced Book Stock for a period of 24 months with the option to extend for period(s) of up to and including 24 months.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £20,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for maximum number of lots

2

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

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 1 – Libraries NI Requirements

Lot No

1

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

- 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.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £20,000,000

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

After the initial contract period there is an option to extend for period(s) up to and including 24 months

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 2 – EA Library Service Requirements

Lot No

2

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

- 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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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

Full details can be found in the CfT documents section on eTendersNI.

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

List and brief description of selection criteria

Full details can be found in the CfT documents section on eTendersNI.

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

List and brief description of selection criteria

Full details can be found in the CfT documents section on eTendersNI.

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

Full details can be found in the CfT documents section on eTendersNI.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

## **IV.2) Administrative information**

### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2024/S 000-027133](#)

### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

7 February 2025

Local time

3:00pm

### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Tender must be valid until: 8 May 2025

### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

7 February 2025

Local time

3:30pm

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: March 2025

### VI.3) Additional information

Tenderers should ensure they read and understand the documentation found in the CFT documents area of eTendersNI. As a Public Sector Procurement organisation, EA must adhere to the Procurement Policy Notes, <https://www.financeni.gov.uk/articles/procurementpolicy-notes-ppns>. This tender includes requirements relating to Human Rights, Modern Slavery, Supply Chain Resilience and Social Value and all tenders must meet the requirements detailed in the tender documentation to be compliant. EA reserves the right to:

1. Not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice.
2. To make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the tendering competition.
3. To award (a) contract(s) in respect of any part(s) of the supplies covered by this notice.

### VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures. Instead; any challenges are dealt with by the High Court, Commercial Division, to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the PCR 2015 as amended.

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