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# CA298 (2026) Digital, Data and IT Consultancy

Northern Ireland Electricity Networks Limited

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## Scope

#### Reference

CA298 (2026) Digital, Data and IT Consultancy

#### Description

NIE Networks now wishes to award a Framework Agreement for Digital, IT and Data Services.

This procurement relates to Framework Digital, IT and Data Consultancy Services.

This framework agreement comprises of three Lots.

Lot 1 General Consultancy Services

Lot 2 Data Protection Consultancy Services

Lot 3 Independent EA Assurance Services

Following the procurement process, successful suppliers will be selected for each Lot and

placed on the Framework.

For further information and documentation, please visit eSourcingNI.

#### **Commercial tool**

Establishes a framework

#### **Total value (estimated)**

- £6,560,000 excluding VAT
- £7,872,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

#### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 30 June 2026 to 30 June 2029
- Possible extension to 30 June 2033
- 7 years, 1 day

Description of possible extension:

The Framework Agreement period is three years with the option, exercisable exclusively by NIE Networks, to extend for up to a further two x two years (four years).

## **Options**

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

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by NIE Networks, to extend for up to a further two x two years (four years).

#### Main procurement category

Services

#### **CPV** classifications

- 72000000 IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support
- 72200000 Software programming and consultancy services
- 72211000 Programming services of systems and user software
- 72212000 Programming services of application software
- 72212100 Industry specific software development services
- 72220000 Systems and technical consultancy services
- 72224100 System implementation planning services
- 79610000 Placement services of personnel

#### **Contract locations**

• UK - United Kingdom

# Lot 1. CA298 (2026) Digital, Data and IT Consultancy - General Consultancy Services

#### **Description**

This Lot is concerned with the engagement of organisations with extensive experience of providing Digital, Data & IT consultancy to large utility organisations.

#### Lot value (estimated)

- £6,560,000 excluding VAT
- £7,872,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

#### Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations, contract dates and options are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

# Lot 2. CA298 (2026) Digital, Data and IT Consultancy - Data Protection Consultancy Services

## **Description**

This Lot is concerned with the engagement of organisations with extensive experience of providing Data Protection advice and guidance to large organisations.

## Lot value (estimated)

- £6,560,000 excluding VAT
- £7,872,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

#### Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations, contract dates and options are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

# Lot 3. CA298 (2026) Digital, Data and IT Consultancy - Independent EA Assurance Services

## **Description**

This Lot is concerned with the engagement of organisations with extensive experience of providing Independent EA Assurance services to large utility and/or regulated organisations.

## Lot value (estimated)

- £6,560,000 excluding VAT
- £7,872,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

#### Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations, contract dates and options are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

#### **Framework**

## Maximum number of suppliers

Unlimited

#### Maximum percentage fee charged to suppliers

0%

## Framework operation description

As specified within the RTP and/or tender documents available from the address specified within this notice with the reference project CA298 (2026) Digital, Data and IT Consultancy

#### Award method when using the framework

Either with or without competition

## Contracting authorities that may use the framework

Establishing party only

# **Submission**

# **Enquiry deadline**

10 November 2025, 3:00pm

## **Submission type**

Requests to p	articipate
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#### Deadline for requests to participate

19 November 2025, 3:00pm

## Submission address and any special instructions

https://e-sourcingni.bravosolution.co.uk

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above mentioned address

#### Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

## Languages that may be used for submission

English

# Award decision date (estimated)

30 June 2026

## **Recurring procurement**

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 30 June 2032

#### **Award criteria**

Name	Description	Туре
Quality	As specified within the RTP and/or tender documents available from the address specified within this notice with the reference project CA298 (2026) Digital, Data and IT Consultancy Tender	Quality
Price	As specified within the RTP and/or tender documents available from the address specified within this notice with the reference project CA298 (2026) Digital, Data and IT Consultancy Tender	Price

### Weighting description

As specified within the RTP and/or tender documents available from the address specified within this notice with the reference project CA298 (2026) Digital, Data and IT Consultancy Tender

#### Other information

## Description of risks to contract performance

As specified within the RTP and/or tender documents available from the address specified within this notice with the reference project CA298 (2026) Digital, Data and IT Consultancy

# Applicable trade agreements

•	Government	Procurement Agreement	(GPA)	)
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#### Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

#### **Procedure**

#### **Procedure type**

Competitive flexible procedure

#### Special regime

Utilities

## Competitive flexible procedure description

As specified within the RTP and/or tender documents available from the address specified within this notice with the reference project CA298 (2026) Digital, Data & IT Consultancy

# **Contracting authority**

## **Northern Ireland Electricity Networks Limited**

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Organisation type: Private utility

Devolved regulations that apply: Northern Ireland