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Planning

Software Licenses for Schools and Academies

Crescent Purchasing Consortium Limited

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Scope

Reference

CA16627

Description

This is an information gathering exercise named Preliminary Market Engagement. The purpose of this exercise is to gather information from suppliers who provide Software Licenses & Associated Services for Academies and Schools, outlined within the document available on Multiquote, to assist in forming the framework to meet the members requirement.

We are looking to review the lot structure of the framework and engage with potential suppliers to create a proposed basket of goods to meet our varying member's needs.

Following this, we aim to go out to tender, to form a framework that offers Software Licenses & Associated Services for Academies and Schools to the education sector

Please complete the questionnaire along with the Preliminary Market Engagement

Declaration. Details are available via MultiQuote: <https://suppliers.multiquote.com>.
MultiQuote reference CA16627

Any resulting framework from this exercise will be available to Further Education Institutions, Universities, Sixth Forms, Academies, Schools, Museums and other similar organisations who are CPC Members (<https://www.thecpc.ac.uk/members/regions.php>) and all CPC future members (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/get-information-about-schools>). Local Authorities may also wish to use the resulting framework when procuring on behalf of Educational Establishments.

If you wish to be involved in this Preliminary Market Engagement, please complete the questionnaire and sign and return the embedded Preliminary Market Declaration document by 11.59pm on 20th November 2025. MultiQuote reference CA16627

Total value (estimated)

- £12,000,000 excluding VAT
- £14,400,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 15 July 2026 to 14 July 2028
- Possible extension to 14 July 2030
- 4 years

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 48422000 - Software package suites

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Engagement

Engagement deadline

20 November 2025

Engagement process description

Engagement

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
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Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

5 January 2026

Contracting authority

Crescent Purchasing Consortium Limited

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