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Planning

Market engagement request for an evaluation of the Education Training Foundation (2013-2026)

The Education and Training Foundation

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Scope

Reference

25-26.EDUCATION-75

Description

The Education Training Foundation (ETF) want to approach the market to gather feedback on various elements of a proposal for an evaluation of the impact of ETF during the period of 2013 to 2026.

This feedback will be used to assist ETF in gaining a better understanding of the feasibility of the requirements, potential costs, the potential approach, the capacity of the market to deliver and any possible risks or issues that may not have been previously considered.

Any submission received in response to this feedback request, will not constitute any

contractual agreement between the ETF and the respondent.

Detailed and lengthy submissions are not necessary at this stage. However, we welcome any pertinent information on your organisation's capability and views on the range of services required. Respondents' views will not be individually identified or revealed to third parties.

There is no commercial advantage or disadvantage to your organisation as a result of being involved in this market engagement exercise. All information provided in this feedback will be treated in confidence and will not form part of any future tender.

Please be assured that any commercially sensitive information provided to us as part of this process will be treated in confidence, used only for the purpose of this market engagement exercise, and will not be disclosed to any other organisation

Total value (estimated)

- £0 excluding VAT
- £1 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 May 2026 to 31 December 2026
- 8 months

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services
- 79419000 - Evaluation consultancy services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Engagement

Engagement deadline

30 January 2026

Engagement process description

The Education Training Foundation (ETF) is carrying out a scoping exercise to establish the capability, capacity, feasibility and cost for an evaluation of the impact of ETF during the period of 2013 to 2026.

Market engagement will take place until the end of January / beginning of February 2026.

If it is decided a procurement route should be taken once the market engagement activity has been completed, the following indicative timeline will come into effect:

- Pre-market engagement: November 2025 - February 2026
- ITT Launch: February 2026
- ITT Close: March 2026
- Evaluation and moderation: March - April 2026
- Contract Award: April 2026

- Mobilisation Begins: April 2026

- Contract End: TBC

Note, respondents are being asked for recommendations for the duration of the contract.

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

23 February 2026

Contracting authority

The Education and Training Foundation

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