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Prior information notice

This notice is related to following:

- Directive 2014/24/EU
 Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012

This notice is for prior information only

This notice aims at reducing time limits for receipt of tenders

This notice is a call for competition

Interested operators must inform the contracting authority of their interest in the contract(s). The contract(s) will be awarded without publication of a further call for competition.

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses ¹ (please identify all contracting authorities responsible for the procedure)

Official name: Education Authority		National registration number: ²	
Postal address: 3 Charlemont Place, The Mall			
Town: Armagh	NUTS code: UK	Postal code: BT61 9AX	Country: United Kingdom
Contact person:		Telephone:	
E-mail: procurement@eani.org.uk		Fax:	
Internet address(es)			
Main address: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps			
Address of the buyer profile: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps			

I.2) Joint procurement

<input type="checkbox"/> The contract involves joint procurement, In the case of joint procurement involving different countries, state applicable national procurement law: <input type="checkbox"/> The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body.

I.3) Communication

<input checked="" type="radio"/> The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/ <input type="radio"/> Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at: (URL)
Additional information can be obtained from <input checked="" type="radio"/> the abovementioned address <input type="radio"/> another address: (please provide another address)
Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> electronically via: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/ <input type="checkbox"/> to the abovementioned address <input type="checkbox"/> to the following address: (please provide another address)
<input type="checkbox"/> Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at: (URL)

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

<input type="radio"/> Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions <input type="radio"/> National or federal agency/office <input checked="" type="radio"/> Regional or local authority	<input type="radio"/> Regional or local agency/office <input type="radio"/> Body governed by public law <input type="radio"/> European institution/agency or international organisation <input type="radio"/> Other type:
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I.5) Main activity

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| <input type="radio"/> General public services | <input type="radio"/> Housing and community amenities |
| <input type="radio"/> Defence | <input type="radio"/> Social protection |
| <input type="radio"/> Public order and safety | <input type="radio"/> Recreation, culture and religion |
| <input type="radio"/> Environment | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Education |
| <input type="radio"/> Economic and financial affairs | <input type="radio"/> Other activity: |
| <input type="radio"/> Health | |

Section II: Object³

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title: CAT-19-013 Frozen Food Products	Reference number: ²
II.1.2) Main CPV code: 15896000	Supplementary CPV code: ^{1,2}
II.1.3) Type of contract <input type="radio"/> Works <input checked="" type="radio"/> Supplies <input type="radio"/> Services	
II.1.4) Short description: The Education Authority wishes to establish a framework for the supply and delivery of Frozen Food Products for delivery to School Meals Kitchens. It is envisaged that a number of suppliers will be appointed to the framework to supply and deliver to local school meals kitchens throughout Northern Ireland. EA wish to carry out pre-market engagement with interested suppliers to investigate the current market capabilities and gain knowledge about existing and future products which will assist the tender panel with the development of the tender documentation. This will ensure existing and future requirements are met and will also provide procurement awareness for suppliers regarding EA's requirements for the purchase of these products.	
II.1.5) Estimated total value Value excluding VAT: [] Currency: (for framework agreements or dynamic purchasing systems – estimated total maximum value for the entire duration of the framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system)	
II.1.6) Information about lots This contract is divided into lots <input type="radio"/> yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> no Tenders may be submitted for ¹² <input type="radio"/> all lots <input type="radio"/> maximum number of lots: <input type="radio"/> one lot only <input type="checkbox"/> Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: <input type="checkbox"/> The contracting authority reserves the right to award contracts combining the following lots or groups of lots:	

II.2) Description ¹ (1)

II.2.1) Title: ²	Lot No: ²
II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s): ²	
II.2.3) Place of performance NUTS code: ¹ [UKN] Main site or place of performance:	
II.2.4) Description of the procurement: The Education Authority wishes to establish a framework for the supply and delivery of Frozen Food Products for delivery to School Meals Kitchens. It is envisaged that a number of suppliers will be appointed to the framework to supply and deliver to local school meals kitchens throughout Northern Ireland. (nature and quantity of works, supplies or services or indication of needs and requirements)	
II.2.5) Award criteria: ¹² <input type="radio"/> Criteria below <input type="checkbox"/> Quality criterion ^{1,2,20} <input type="radio"/> Cost criterion ^{1,20} <input type="radio"/> Price ²¹ - Weighting: <input type="radio"/> Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents	
II.2.6) Estimated value ^{2,5,6,19} Value excluding VAT: [] Currency: (for framework agreements or dynamic purchasing systems – estimated total maximum value for the entire duration of this lot)	
II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system ^{5,6,19} Duration in months: 24 or Duration in days: or Start: (dd/mm/yyyy) / End: (dd/mm/yyyy) <input type="checkbox"/> This contract is subject to renewal Description of renewals:	
II.2.10) Information about variants ¹² <input type="checkbox"/> Variants will be accepted	
II.2.11) Information about options ^{5,6,19} <input type="checkbox"/> Options Description of options:	
II.2.13) Information about European Union funds ^{5,19} The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds <input type="radio"/> yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> no Identification of the project:	
II.2.14) Additional information: The estimated date of publication at II.3 is subject to change.	

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice: ^{9,19} (dd/mm/yyyy) 27/04/2020

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

<p>III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers ¹²</p> <p>List and brief description of conditions:</p>
<p>III.1.2) Economic and financial standing ¹²</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents</p> <p>List and brief description of selection criteria:</p> <p>Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: ²</p>
<p>III.1.3) Technical and professional ability ¹²</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents</p> <p>List and brief description of selection criteria:</p> <p>Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: ²</p>
<p>III.1.5) Information about reserved contracts ²</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The contract is reserved to sheltered workshops and economic operators aiming at the social and professional integration of disabled or disadvantaged persons</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The execution of the contract is restricted to the framework of sheltered employment programmes</p>

III.2) Conditions related to the contract ²

<p>III.2.1) Information about a particular profession (<i>only for service contracts</i>)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession</p> <p>Reference to the relevant law, regulation or administrative provision:</p>
<p>III.2.2) Contract performance conditions:</p>
<p>III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract</p>

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) Description

<p>IV.1.1) Type of procedure ⁵</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Restricted procedure</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Competitive procedure with negotiation</p>
<p>IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system ^{5, 19}</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><input type="radio"/> Framework agreement with a single operator</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><input type="radio"/> Framework agreement with several operators</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: ²</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The procurement involves the setting up of a dynamic purchasing system</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><input type="checkbox"/> The dynamic purchasing system might be used by additional purchasers</p> <p>In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:</p>
<p>IV.1.6) Information about electronic auction ¹²</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> An electronic auction will be used</p> <p>Additional information about electronic auction:</p>
<p>IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)</p> <p>The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement <input checked="" type="radio"/> yes <input type="radio"/> no</p>

IV.2) Administrative information

<p>IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of expressions of interest ⁵</p> <p>Date: (dd/mm/yyyy) Local time: (hh:mm)</p>
<p>IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted: ^{1, 5}</p>
<p>IV.2.5) Scheduled date for start of award procedures:(dd/mm/yyyy) ^{4, 5, 19}</p>

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows ^{5,19}

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Electronic ordering will be used |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Electronic invoicing will be accepted |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Electronic payment will be used |

VI.3) Additional information ²

It is the intention of The Education Authority to host pre-market engagement meetings week commencing 30 March 2020 to discuss our requirements. Should you wish to participate you must e-mail procurement@eani.org.uk with the subject CAT-19-013 Supplier Event no later than 12:00 on 9 March 2020. Please note that appointments are limited and will be on a first come first served basis. Suppliers will be informed of the final arrangements prior to any pre-market engagement meeting. All future tender documentation will be made available via the <http://etendersni.gov.uk> website and potential tenderers should register on this website to ensure they have access to tender documentation when the tender is published. This pre-market engagement meeting is for information purposes only. Any interest shown does not constitute a commitment to participate in a procurement exercise. Failure to show interest does not restrict providers from participating in any future procurement exercise.

VI.4) Procedures for review ^{5,19}

VI.4.1) Review body		
Official name: UK does not currently have any such bodies with responsibilities for appeal/mediation procedures.		
Postal address:		
Town: Armagh	Postal code:	Country: United Kingdom
E-mail:		Telephone:
Internet address: <i>(URL)</i>		Fax:
VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures ²		
Official name:		
Postal address:		
Town:	Postal code:	Country:
E-mail:		Telephone:
Internet address: <i>(URL)</i>		Fax:
VI.4.3) Review procedure		
Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: UK does not currently have any such bodies with responsibilities for appeal/mediation procedures.		
VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained ²		
Official name:		
Postal address:		
Town:	Postal code:	Country:
E-mail:		Telephone:
Internet address: <i>(URL)</i>		Fax:

VI.5) Date of dispatch of this notice: *(dd/mm/yyyy)*

It is the contracting authority's/contracting entity's responsibility to ensure compliance with European Union law and any applicable laws.

¹ please repeat as many times as needed

² if applicable

³ please repeat as many times as needed if this notice is for prior information only

⁴ if this information is known

⁵ please provide this information if the notice is a call for competition

⁶ as far as information is already known

⁹ please provide this information only if this notice is a prior information notice

¹² please provide this information here or in the invitation to confirm interest, if the notice is a call for competition or aims at reducing time limits for receipt of tenders

¹⁹ if the notice aims at reducing time limits for receipt of tenders

²⁰ importance may be given instead of weighting

²¹ importance may be given instead of weighting; if price is the only award criterion, weighting is not used