E-TENDERING SERVICES EPPS0920 - VIEW AND REPLY TO MESSAGE RECEIVED



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View and Reply to Message received EPPS0920

Purpose

This guide presents how a user can view and reply to a message received regarding a particular Call for Tender, using eTendersNI. The Messaging functionality applies to the following users:

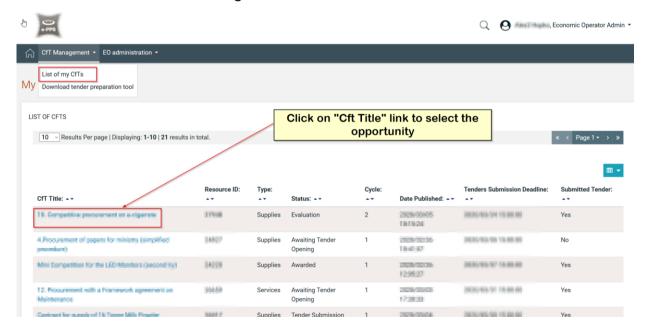
- Tender Coordinator (PO/TC) of Call for Tender
- Evaluator Responsible (PO/ESR) of Call for Tender
- All associated Supplier users

This guide describes the functionality available to supplier users.

Procedure

The steps for viewing and replying to a message are the following:

Log in on eTendersNI and select the Call for Tender, through clicking on the title
of the Call for Tender. The Call for Tender can be found from the "List of my
CfTs", under "CfT Management" section.



The system displays the "View CfT Workspace" page where the details of the Call for Tender are shown.

Click on the red button "Show CfT Menu". The drop-down Menu appears and





select the "Messaging" option.



By default, the Messaging Inbox is displayed where the list of received messages is shown. The following columns are displayed:

- Sender
- Subject
- **Sent** (date and time of message dispatch)
- First opened (date and time message was first opened)
- First Replied (date and time message was first replied)
- **Status** (status of the message)
 - "New" for unread messages
 - "Read" for read messages
 - "Replied" for replied messages

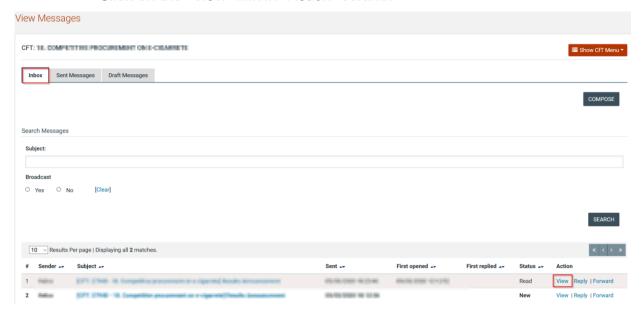
Action

- "View" to view message
- "Reply" to reply to message
- "Forward" to forward the message





Click on the "View" link in "Action" column

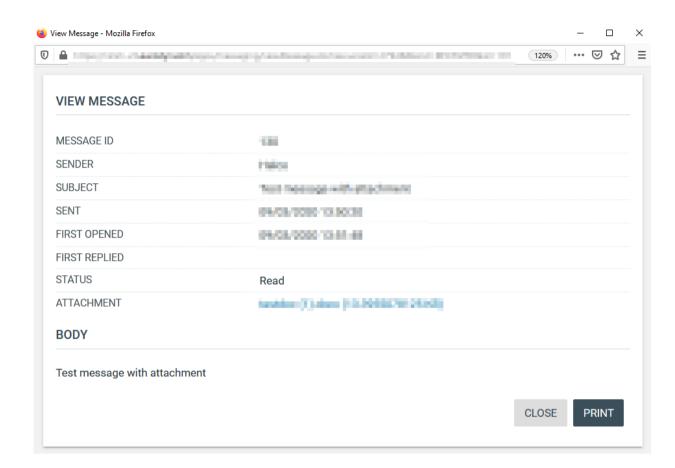


All message details are then displayed in the generated pop-up window:

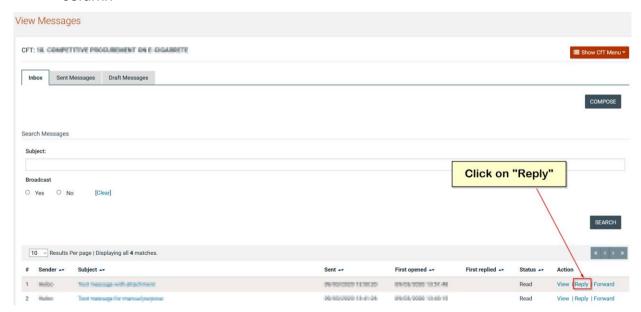
- · ID · First replied
- Sender Status
- Subject Attachment
- · Sent · Body
- · First opened







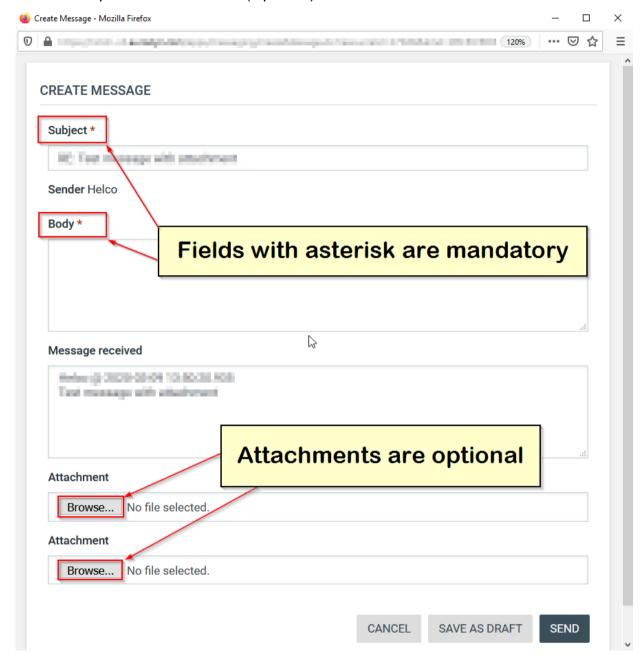
In order to reply to a received message, click on the "Reply" link in "Action" column







- In "Create message" form, fill in the following fields:
 - **Subject** (mandatory)
 - Body (mandatory)
 - Up to 2 Attachments (Optional).



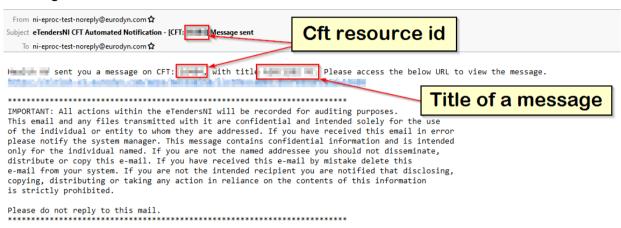
Click on the "Send" button to send the message. In order to save a message as
draft and send it later, click on the "Save as Draft". The draft message is saved
in "Draft Messages" section/tab





Once a message is sent, an automated notification e-mail is dispatched to the recipient. To view the message, recipient user can click on the link inside the e-mail notification, and, if already logged in, he will be redirected to the received message.

The Tender Coordinator/ Evaluator Responsible will receive notification email that the message has been answered.



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