# **E-TENDERING SERVICES**

# **EPPS0921- COMPOSE AND SEND A MESSAGE**



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## **Purpose**

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

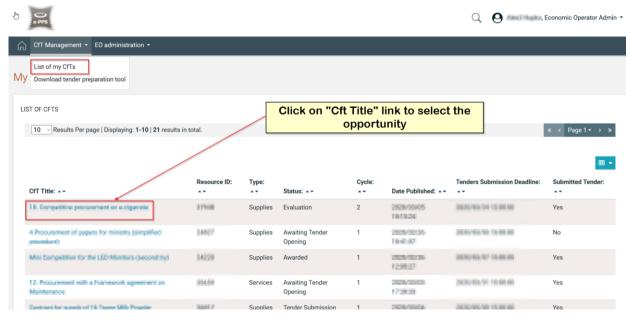
- Tender Coordinator (PO/TC) of Call for Tender
- Evaluator Responsible (PO/ESR) of Call for Tender
- All associated Supplier users

This guide describes the functionality available to supplier users.

## **Procedure**

The steps to compose and send 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 user selects "Messaging".



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

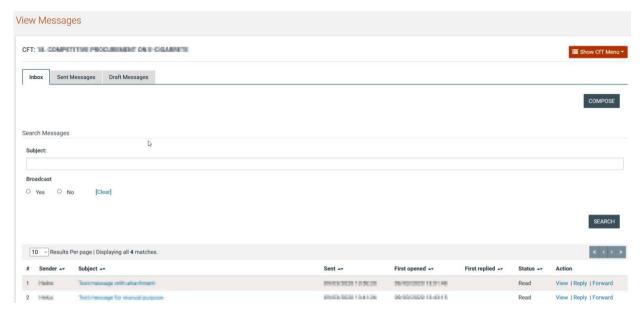
- Sender
- Subject
- **Sent** (date and time of message dispatch)
- First opened (date and time message was first opened)
- First Replied (date and time message was first replied)
- **Status** (status of the message)
  - "New" for unread messages
  - "Read" for read messages
  - "Replied" for replied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

#### Action

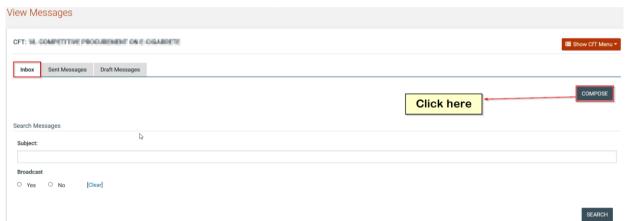
- "View" to view message
- "Reply" to reply to message
- "Forward" to forward the message







In order to create a new message, click on the "Compose" button.

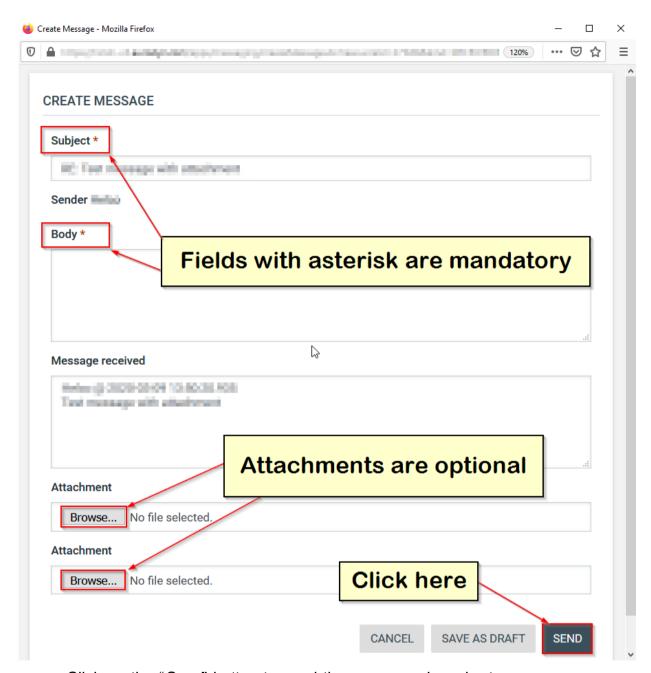


In the "Create Message" form users fill in the following:

- Subject (mandatory)
- **Body** (mandatory)
- Up to 2 Attachments (Optional)







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

Once sent, the message is saved in the "Sent Messages" section. All information on sent messages is displayed in this section such as:

- Recipients
- Subject
- Sent (date and time of message dispatch)

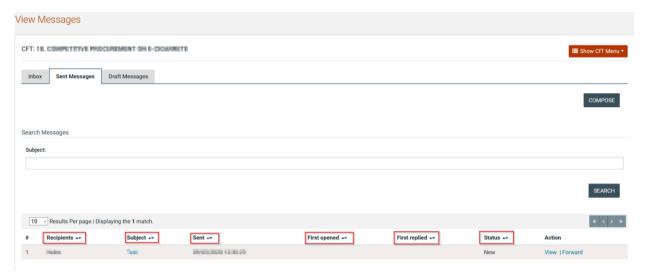




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Once message is sent, an automated notification e-mail is dispatched to the recipient. To view the message, recipient user can click on the link inside the e-mail notification, and, if already logged in, he will be redirected to the received message.



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