

Public Procurement Supplier/Industry Communication Action Plan (January – December 2026)

This document provides advance notice of upcoming events for Suppliers or Industry Representatives.

The table below does not include details of pre-market engagement activities for specific tender competitions. These are available on [eTendersNI](#).

Event Title	Event Type	Supplier Category	Date	Time	Location / Platform	Key Topics	Lead Owner's Contact Details
January 2026							
NICG Forum: Carbon follow up	Engagement with Industry		20/01/26	10.00am – 12.30pm	CEF HQ	Carbon Calculation and Carbon Management in Infrastructure and Public Sector Buildings	Christine.Faulkner@finance-ni.gov.uk
February 2026							
InterTradeIreland Go- 2-Tender Programme with CPD Session	Workshop for SMEs and microbusinesses	SMEs and microbusinesses	3&5/02/26	10am	Virtual	Knowledge and advice on how to navigate the public procurement market in Ireland and Northern Ireland, improved skills for bidding on public sector contracts, enhance competitiveness and confidence in tendering processes	Donna.Williams@finance-ni.gov.uk Go-2-Tender InterTradeIreland
RIA All Island Rail Summit	Engagement with Industry	SMEs and microbusinesses	18/02/2026	9am	Titanic Building, Belfast	Knowledge and advice on how to navigate the Railway specific public procurement market in Ireland and Northern Ireland, improved skills for bidding on public sector contracts, enhance competitiveness and confidence in tendering processes	Bob.doherty@riani.co.uk
InterTradeIreland Go- 2-Tender Programme with CPD Session	Workshop for SMEs and microbusinesses	SMEs and microbusinesses	24&26/02/26	10am	Virtual	Knowledge and advice on how to navigate the public procurement market in Ireland and Northern Ireland, improved skills for bidding on public sector contracts, enhance competitiveness and confidence in tendering processes	Donna.Williams@finance-ni.gov.uk Go-2-Tender InterTradeIreland

March 2026

SIB Social Value Brokerage Event with CPD and Education Authority: Unlocking Social Value: Partnering for People, Places & the Planet	Engagement with Social Enterprises, Strategic Suppliers and CPD	Social Enterprises	10/03/2026	9.30am - 1pm	Girdwood Community HubBelfast, Northern Ireland	Public, private & VCSE sector peers to network and explore best practice in delivering Social Value in Procurement in Northern Ireland	Lisa.Beers@sibni.org Donna.Williams@finance-ni.gov.uk Damian.McCarroll@EANI.org.UK
InterTradelreland Go- 2-Tender Programme with CPD Session	Workshop for SMEs and microbusinesses	SMEs and microbusinesses	10&12/03/26	10am	Virtual	Knowledge and advice on how to navigate the public procurement market in Ireland and Northern Ireland, improved skills for bidding on public sector contracts, enhance competitiveness and confidence in tendering processes	Donna.Williams@finance-ni.gov.uk Go-2-Tender InterTradelreland
NICG Forum: Skills Shortages and Frameworks	Engagement with Industry		13/03/26	10am - 12.30pm	CEF HQ	Skills Shortages Presentation on NI Water Frameworks	Andrew.Strutt@finance-ni.gov.uk
Advertising Industry Forum meeting with CPD	Engagement with Advertising Industry Forum	Advertising Sector	18/03/2026	10am	Hollywood Road, Belfast	Annual meeting and engagement with Advertising forum to exchange feedback and provide updates on public procurement developments	Martine.Henry@finance-ni.gov.uk
InterTradelreland Go- 2-Tender Programme with CPD Session	Workshop for SMEs and microbusinesses	SMEs and microbusinesses	24&26/03/26	10am	Virtual	Knowledge and advice on how to navigate the public procurement market in Ireland and Northern Ireland, improved skills for bidding on public sector contracts, enhance competitiveness and confidence in tendering processes	Donna.Williams@finance-ni.gov.uk Go-2-Tender InterTradelreland
Belfast City Council – Meet the Buyer	Engagement with industry, SMEs and microbusinesses	SMEs and microbusinesses	25/03/2026	9am	Great Hall, Belfast City Hall	CoPEs will attend a Meet the Buyer event. This is an opportunity to promote Northern Ireland public procurement opportunities to suppliers from across Ireland for works, supplies and services.	BohillN@belfastcity.gov.uk walkersara@belfastcity.gov.uk Aoife.duddy@infrastructure-ni.gov.uk

DfI TRAM and CEF Civil Engineering Consultative Committee	Engagement with Industry	Road Construction Industry	TBC	TBC	TBC	A biannual meeting between DfI TRAM and CEF to discuss health and safety, economic considerations, sustainable construction practices, and other ongoing construction industry issues.	TRAMprocurement@infrastructure-ni.gov.uk https://www.cefni.co.uk/
Partnering for Impact	Exhibit	Social Enterprises	25/3/2026	9am	Newry Leisure Centre	Connecting private sector companies (the exhibitors) bidding on public contracts with innovative social enterprises ready to deliver the social value element of tenders on the NI eTenders platform	Catherine Burns Catherine@socialenterpriseni.org
Powerful Partnerships (Social Enterprise Northern Ireland and Education Authority)	Themed workshop for Social Enterprises wishing to tender for Education Authority goods and services and construction contracts	Social Enterprises	31/03/26	11am – 12pm	Innovation Factory, 385 Springfield Rd, Belfast, BT12 7DG	Join a smaller themed working group where you can showcase the full range of products and services your social enterprise offers. Help EA deepen their understanding of what the sector can provide — potentially leading to direct follow up conversations. Be in a position to receive requests for further information or quotations for opportunities under the £50k procurement threshold. Build valuable peer-to-peer connections, creating space to explore joint collaborative or consortium bids with other social enterprises	Powerful Partnerships - Social Enterprise NI
April 2026							
InterTradeIreland Go- 2-Tender Programme with CPD Session	Workshop for SMEs and microbusinesses	SMEs and microbusinesses	14&15/04/26	10am	Virtual	Knowledge and advice on how to navigate the public procurement market in Ireland and Northern Ireland, improved skills for bidding on public sector contracts, enhance competitiveness and confidence in tendering processes	Donna.Williams@finance-ni.gov.uk Go-2-Tender InterTradeIreland

Procurex Ireland 2026	Engagement with Industry		16/04/26	9am	RDS Dublin	Annual Public Procurement event to engage with suppliers to the Public Sector	Home - Procurex Ireland 2026
Road Safety Markings Association Conference	Engagement with Industry	Road Safety Industry	22/04/2026	TBC	Kingfisher Country Estate, Templepatrick	DfI TRAM will provide an update on the ongoing development and delivery of phases 1 and 2 of the Procurement Enhancement Programme.	www.rsma.co.uk TRAMprocurement@infrastructure-ni.gov.uk Roisin.Boyle@infrastructure-ni.gov.uk
InterTradeIreland Go- 2-Tender Programme with CPD Session	Workshop for SMEs and microbusinesses	SMEs and microbusinesses	28&30/04/26	10am	Virtual	Knowledge and advice on how to navigate the public procurement market in Ireland and Northern Ireland, improved skills for bidding on public sector contracts, enhance competitiveness and confidence in tendering processes	Donna.Williams@finance-ni.gov.uk Go-2-Tender InterTradeIreland
DfI TRAM and MPANI Liaison Meeting	Engagement with Industry	Road Construction Industry	TBC	TBC	MPANI Office Nutts Corner Training Centre BT29 4SR	General industry liaison covering health and safety, economic considerations, sustainable construction practices, and other ongoing industry issues.	TRAMprocurement@infrastructure-ni.gov.uk https://mpani.org/
May 2026							
InterTradeIreland Go- 2-Tender Programme with CPD Session	Workshop for SMEs and microbusinesses	SMEs and microbusinesses	12&14/05/26	10am	Virtual	Knowledge and advice on how to navigate the public procurement market in Ireland and Northern Ireland, improved skills for bidding on public sector contracts, enhance competitiveness and confidence in tendering processes	Donna.Williams@finance-ni.gov.uk Go-2-Tender InterTradeIreland
UK Rail	Supplier conference and exhibition for UK wide rail products	SMEs and microbusinesses	13/05/26	9:00am	NEC Birmingham	Collaboration and innovation technology for the entire UK rail supply chain	sophie.brady@terrapinn.com
InterTradeIreland Go- 2-Tender Programme with	Workshop for SMEs and microbusinesses	SMEs and microbusinesses	26&28/05/26	10am	Virtual	Knowledge and advice on how to navigate the public procurement market in Ireland	Donna.Williams@finance-ni.gov.uk Go-2-Tender InterTradeIreland

CPD Session						and Northern Ireland, improved skills for bidding on public sector contracts, enhance competitiveness and confidence in tendering processes	
DfI TRAM Major Civil Engineering Works Framework Update	Engagement with Industry	Road Construction Industry	TBC	TBC	TBC	DfI will provide an update on the development and delivery of the Major Civil Engineering Works Framework, which will support the delivery of roads and civil engineering projects valued between £5 million and £450 million for DfI TRAM.	TRAMprocurement@infrastructure-ni.gov.uk Roisin.Boyle@infrastructure-ni.gov.uk
June 2026							
InterTradeIreland Go- 2-Tender Programme with CPD Session	Workshop for SMEs and microbusinesses	SMEs and microbusinesses	9&11/06/26	10am	Virtual	Knowledge and advice on how to navigate the public procurement market in Ireland and Northern Ireland, improved skills for bidding on public sector contracts, enhance competitiveness and confidence in tendering processes	Donna.Williams@finance-ni.gov.uk Go-2-Tender InterTradeIreland
NICG Forum: Topic TBC	Engagement with Industry		12/06/26	10am - 12.30pm	CEF HQ	Topic TBC	Andrew.Strutt@finance-ni.gov.uk
Rail Live	Supplier exhibition and conference	SMEs and microbusinesses	17&18/06/26	9:00am	Long Marston Rail Innovation Centre	Interact with and evaluate over 300 suppliers representing every corner of the rail industry.	railLive@bauermedia.co.uk
InterTradeIreland Go- 2-Tender Programme with CPD Session	Workshop for SMEs and microbusinesses	SMEs and microbusinesses	23&25/06/26	10am	Virtual	Knowledge and advice on how to navigate the public procurement market in Ireland and Northern Ireland, improved skills for bidding on public sector contracts, enhance competitiveness and confidence in tendering processes	Donna.Williams@finance-ni.gov.uk Go-2-Tender InterTradeIreland
DfI TRAM Road Asset Management Frameworks Update	Engagement with Industry	Road Construction Industry	TBC	TBC	TBC	DfI will provide an update on the delivery of the Road Asset Management Frameworks. These frameworks support road maintenance activities, and the delivery of roads construction	TRAMprocurement@infrastructure-ni.gov.uk Adam.Heanen@infrastructure-ni.gov.uk

						and other related transport/civils works valued up to £5 million.	
July 2026							
DfI TRAM and MPANI Liaison Meeting	Engagement with Industry	Road Construction Industry	TBC	TBC	MPANI Office Nutts Corner Training Centre BT29 4SR	General industry liaison covering health and safety, economic considerations, sustainable construction practices, and other ongoing industry issues.	TRAMprocurement@infrastructure-ni.gov.uk https://mpani.org/
August 2026							
InterTradeIreland Go- 2-Tender Programme with CPD Session	Workshop for SMEs and microbusinesses	SMEs and microbusinesses	11&13/08/26	10am	Virtual	Knowledge and advice on how to navigate the public procurement market in Ireland and Northern Ireland, improved skills for bidding on public sector contracts, enhance competitiveness and confidence in tendering processes	Donna.Williams@finance-ni.gov.uk
September 2026							
Rail Link Belfast	Exhibition, engagement and industry talks	SMEs and microbusinesses	2/09/26	9:00am	ICC Belfast Expo Hall	Interact and evaluate local suppliers and technology	exhibit@raillinknetworking.com
InterTradeIreland Go- 2-Tender Programme with CPD Session	Workshop for SMEs and microbusinesses	SMEs and microbusinesses	8&10/09/26	10am	Virtual	Knowledge and advice on how to navigate the public procurement market in Ireland and Northern Ireland, improved skills for bidding on public sector contracts, enhance competitiveness and confidence in tendering processes	Donna.Williams@finance-ni.gov.uk
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InterTradeIreland Go- 2-Tender Programme with CPD Session	Workshop for SMEs and microbusinesses	SMEs and microbusinesses	22&24/09/26	10am	Virtual	Knowledge and advice on how to navigate the public procurement market in Ireland and Northern Ireland, improved skills for bidding on public sector contracts, enhance	Donna.Williams@finance-ni.gov.uk

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October 2026							
InterTradeIreland Go- 2-Tender Programme with CPD Session	Workshop for SMEs and microbusinesses	SMEs and microbusinesses	6&8/10/26	10am	Virtual	Knowledge and advice on how to navigate the public procurement market in Ireland and Northern Ireland, improved skills for bidding on public sector contracts, enhance competitiveness and confidence in tendering processes	Donna.Williams@finance-ni.gov.uk
InterTradeIreland Go- 2-Tender Programme with CPD Session	Workshop for SMEs and microbusinesses	SMEs and microbusinesses	20&22/10/26	10am	Virtual	Knowledge and advice on how to navigate the public procurement market in Ireland and Northern Ireland, improved skills for bidding on public sector contracts, enhance competitiveness and confidence in tendering processes	Donna.Williams@finance-ni.gov.uk
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November 2026							
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December 2026							
NICG Forum: Topic TBC	Engagement with Industry		11/12/26 (TBC)	10am - 12.30pm	CEF HQ	Topic TBC	Andrew.Strutt@finance-ni.gov.uk
InterTradeIreland Go- 2-Tender Programme with CPD Session	Workshop for SMEs and microbusinesses	SMEs and microbusinesses	1&3/12/26	10am	Virtual	Knowledge and advice on how to navigate the public procurement market in Ireland and Northern Ireland, improved skills for bidding on public sector contracts, enhance competitiveness and confidence in tendering processes	Donna.Williams@finance-ni.gov.uk