

STRATEGIC PROCUREMENT OUTLOOK

Ministry of Education

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Mission

Building a world-leading education system that equips all New Zealanders with the knowledge, skills and values to be successful citizens in the 21st-century.

Policies & Programmes

The Ministry of Education will aim to achieve this mission by implementing specific policies and programmes that support education priority outcomes required by Government.

These priority outcomes focus on:

- Increasing opportunity for children to participate in high quality early childhood education
- Every child achieves literacy and numeracy levels that enable their success
- Every young person has the skills and qualifications to contribute to their and New Zealand's future
- Relevant and efficient tertiary education provision that meets student and labour market needs
- Within the Ministry
- The Ministry is capable, efficient and responsive to achieve education priorities
- Māori achieving education success as Māori

In delivering these outcomes the Ministry has two key roles in the New Zealand education system.

- driving overall system performance – monitoring and improving how the ECE, schooling and tertiary sectors deliver education to learners

throughout New Zealand

- delivering our services effectively – managing our infrastructure, delivering our core functions on a day-to-day basis and improving Ministry effectiveness and efficiency.

Overarching Purchasing Objectives

Procurement and contracting is a significant component of the Ministry's activities. A number of the Ministry's contracts are non-contestable agreements with government agencies (including school boards of trustees) and NGO providers. However there are also a large number of contestable arrangements across a wide range of education, ICT and general goods and services categories. Details of current planned procurements are detailed in the accompanying document. This plan does not include procurements managed by school boards of trustees.

General Information

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