

Request for Information (RFI): Application Guidelines

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| 1 | Subject Matter | Institutional and technical matters relating to the “ <i>Study Group on the Future Vision of the Payment System: Summary of Findings</i> ” published by Zengin-Net. |
| 2 | Eligibility | <p>System vendors, whether domestic or international, with substantial experience in developing core banking and other mission-critical systems for financial institutions, and with deep expertise and technical capabilities in payment systems.</p> <p><i>Zengin-Net may conduct interviews, as necessary, to assess whether applicants meet the above eligibility requirements.</i></p> |
| 3 | How to apply | <p>Vendors wishing to participate are requested to submit an application by email to the following address:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Japanese Banks’ Payment Clearing Network Next-Generation Payment System Preparation Office Contact: Kazuhiro Nagata, Mitsuhiro Kamimae, and Naoyuki Takeda E-mail: ngps-contact@zengin-net.jp</p> <p>The subject line of the email shall be: “[Company Name] Application to participate in information provision for the New Payment System” The email shall include the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Company name 2. Company address 3. Name of company representative 4. Contact person: department, name, telephone number, and email address <p>Deadline for participation applications: May 1, 2026 (Friday), 5:00 p.m. JST (UTC+9)</p> <p>Deadline for submission of responses: June 19, 2026 (Friday), 5:00 p.m. JST (UTC+9)</p> <p>Upon receipt of an application, Zengin-Net will enter into a confidentiality undertaking with eligible applicants and subsequently provide the Request for Information (RFI).</p> |
| 4 | Other | <p>Details of the requested information are set out in the RFI, which will be provided to eligible applicants. A briefing session for applicants is scheduled to be held in early to mid-May 2026.</p> |

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