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Contract

## **PS22408 - Mobilising Local Net Zero Investments - Diverse Solutions for Diverse Places - RFP**

UK Research and Innovation (UKRI)

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-037f6d

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

UK Research and Innovation (UKRI)

Polaris House

Swindon

SN2 1FF

#### **Contact**

Professional Services

#### **Email**

[nicola.turner@uksbs.co.uk](mailto:nicola.turner@uksbs.co.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKK14 - Swindon

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.uksbs.co.uk](http://www.uksbs.co.uk)

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Research

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

PS22408 - Mobilising Local Net Zero Investments - Diverse Solutions for Diverse Places - RFP

Reference number

PS22290

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 79310000 - Market research services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

UK Shared Business Services (UK SBS), on behalf of the UK Research and Innovation (UKRI), wishes to establish a Contract for the provision: Mobilising Local Net Zero Investments - Diverse Solutions for Diverse Places

UK SBS is managing this procurement process in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as may be amended from time to time) (the "Regulations").

The aim of this research is to explore to what extent local authorities outside of core cities and combined authorities could pursue an accelerated pathway to securing finance for their net zero projects while large scale solutions are in development.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £293,154

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 79310000 - Market research services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The aim of this research is to explore to what extent local authorities outside of core cities and combined authorities could pursue an accelerated pathway to securing finance for their net zero projects while large scale solutions are in development.

The objectives are:

- To understand the needs of local authorities outside of CC's and CA's when it comes to the development and financial structuring of their cross-sector net zero portfolios via PFER's portfolio of SLES projects
- Assess whether, and to what extent, these needs differ to those of CC's and CA's and if so, what financial solutions, support and innovation may be required to ensure they have adequate access to finance for their net zero projects
- Build on the SLES investor panel work to understand
  - o what kind of financial framework/structuring could prevent investor cherry-picking and enable whole-system value to be achieved
  - o what level of project standardisation is required/possible to achieve strong levels of investability across a place-based portfolio using SLES as an example
- Identify suitable funding models and assess whether they lend themselves to a particular set of either place-based or project characteristics that might allow the development of a more diverse set of (archetypal) local net zero funding solutions
- Better understand potential market failures around financing place-based net zero projects which could be addressed by future programmes
- Support and inform emerging solutions under development by BEIS, 3Ci and UKIB
- Provide direct support to PFER projects in enhancing their understanding of optimum ways to finance their SLES

How to Apply

UK Shared Business Services Ltd (UK SBS) will be using the Jaggaer eSourcing Portal for this procurement.

To register on the Jaggaer eSourcing portal please use the link <https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/> and follow the instructions to register as a supplier.

If you are already registered on the Jaggaer eSourcing Portal and wish to participate in this procurement, please use the link: <https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/>.

Once you are logged into the system you will be able to locate the Procurement you wish to leave a bid on by clicking the ITTs Open to All Suppliers and searching for the reference number PS22408.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: PROJ1.1 - Approach / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: PROJ1.2 - Staff to Deliver / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: PROJ1.3 - Understanding the Project Environment / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: PROJ1.4 - Project Plan and Timescales / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 20

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2022/S 000-031321](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

PS22408

### **Lot No**

1

### **Title**

PS22408 - Mobilising Local Net Zero Investments - Diverse Solutions for Diverse Places - RFP

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

3 February 2023

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

1 Embankment Place

London

WC2N 6RH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

No

**V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot: £293,154

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**Section VI. Complementary information**

**VI.4) Procedures for review**

**VI.4.1) Review body**

UK Shared Business Services Ltd

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[www.uksbs.co.uk](http://www.uksbs.co.uk)

**VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

UK Shared Business Services

Polaris House

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United Kingdom

**VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

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