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Tender

CEFAS23-29 OWEC POSEIDON - LOT 4 (Southwest)

Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03a6f5

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

CEFAS23-29 OWEC POSEIDON - LOT 4 (Southwest)

Reference number

C15964

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 63726800 - Research vessel services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

POSEIDON (Planning Offshore Wind Strategic Environmental Impact DecisiONs) is a Crown Estate-funded project (Offshore Wind Evidence & Change program (OWEC)) led by Natural England. The aim of the project is to provide tools to inform offshore wind planning, to minimise impacts on the natural environment through avoidance and early awareness of likely mitigation / compensation needs, allowing sustainable expansion of offshore wind. This will be achieved through the collection of strategic environmental baseline data and updated spatial models for key species (receptors), assemblages, and a suite of ecological metrics (diversity, functional traits).

This procurement is for:
Lot 4 - Southwest

Note that Lot 1 (North Sea) and Lot 2 (Irish Sea) of this POSEIDON project were tendered and awarded earlier in 2022 and Lot 3 (Celtic Sea) and Lot 5 (English Channel) were tendered earlier in 2023 and are currently in the process of being awarded.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £340,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34513550 - Survey vessels

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Some evidence on species and habitat distribution and abundance exists, but often it is disparate, patchy and difficult to incorporate. POSEIDON aims to create a revised system which describes environmental risk across England and Wales, that can be applied to offshore wind (and other marine sector) planning. It is the intention of the project that this will become integrated with marine plans and help offshore wind decisions to comprehensively factor in risks to consent and risks to the environment. It will also help inform plan-level requirements for mitigation and compensation which can then be built into development project designs (and budgets) at the outset, as well as providing the template for future data collection at regional scale to support (and, potentially, speed up) planning and impact assessment.

Work to date under the project has identified spatial gaps in benthic data within the territorial waters of England, Wales and the Isle of Man. In consequence, a number of sample locations ('stations' hereafter; Figure 1) have been identified for sampling under POSEIDON. The 1,022 stations have been categorised into 5 Lots upon which all subsequent sample acquisition will be managed. This tender invitation is for the 195 stations in Lot 4 (South

West) only.

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £340,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Start date

17 April 2023

End date

31 July 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

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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.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

23 March 2023

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 16 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

20 February 2023

Local time

4:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Public Procurement Review Body

N/A

N/A

N/A

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