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Planning

Welsh Tidal Lagoon Challenge

Welsh Government

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0007

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Welsh Tidal Lagoon Challenge

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 45251120 - Hydro-electric plant construction work

II.1.3) Type of contract

Works

II.1.4) Short description

The purpose of this Prior Information Notice (PIN) is to conduct a soft market testing exercise to inform the nature and quantum of any support the Welsh Government could provide for the construction of a tidal range electricity generation project on the Welsh coastline.

At this stage Welsh Government is undertaking market engagement to ascertain if there is interest in any potential competition/procurement in the future to deliver a tidal lagoon capable of generating electricity with the winner(s) possibly receiving financial support from the Welsh Government.

To inform its approach to the competition, the Welsh Government wishes to engage with organisations interested in the delivery of tidal range energy projects on the Welsh coastline, prior to the Welsh Government formulating a preferred approach to the competition and support package.

The purpose of the market engagement is to understand the most appropriate approach to undertaking the competition, and the package of support to be offered by Welsh Government. Responding to this PIN does not place any compulsion on applicants to enter the competition or for the Welsh Government to proceed any further with any requirements.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 09300000 - Electricity, heating, solar and nuclear energy
- 45200000 - Works for complete or part construction and civil engineering work
- 45222000 - Construction work for engineering works except bridges, tunnels, shafts and subways
- 45240000 - Construction work for water projects
- 45244000 - Marine construction works
- 45244100 - Marine installations
- 45248000 - Construction work for hydro-mechanical structures
- 65400000 - Other sources of energy supplies and distribution
- 71314000 - Energy and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL - WALES

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Welsh Government is considering how best it can support the market to develop a tidal range energy project on the Welsh coastline. The current preferred approach is to undertake a competition to identify suitable options.

To inform its approach to the competition, the Welsh Government wishes to engage with organisations interested in the delivery of tidal range energy projects on the Welsh coastline, to gather information prior to the Welsh Government formulating a preferred approach to the competition and support package.

Interested organisations (including potential developers, financiers and those with experience in the tidal range sector) should register their interest via the Sell2Wales Noted Interest function. Interested parties can view a copy of our market engagement documentation via the attachments section within this PIN.

The market engagement documentation comprises an Introduction to the Welsh Government's proposed competition objectives and a questionnaire which interested organisations should return via the Sell2Wales Post-box function, including details of any specific proposals, and any views or suggestions they may have on the sector as a whole.

Following receipt of completed questionnaires, the Welsh Government may also undertake supplier sessions and meet with suppliers to discuss their market engagement feedback.

Please be aware that at this stage we will not be formally assessing proposals, and nothing given or provided at this stage will be evaluated as part of any future procurement process. We welcome responses from suppliers and organisations who feel that they have positive ideas on how our vision of supporting the development of tidal range power projects in Wales can be delivered.

While the contracting authority has decided to advertise on a voluntary basis, this does not represent a commitment to follow a particular procurement procedure. Interested parties shall obtain for themselves, at their own expense, all information necessary for the preparation of their responses to this PIN.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

25 March 2021

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Interested organisations should register their interest via the Sell2Wales Noted Interest function and complete the attached soft market engagement documentation and return via the Sell2Wales Post-Box function by no later than 17.00 on Thursday 06th May 2021.

Please also find attached a Privacy Notice which applies to personal data collected in the participation in this research.

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Sell2Wales Web Site at

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=109323.

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