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## **UKRI-1800 Geotechnical Advisor for UKRI-NERC**

UK Research & Innovation

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02f619

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

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

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Main address

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**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Swindon:-Geotechnical-engineering-services./YKJVF332AP>

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**

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**

UKRI-1800 Geotechnical Advisor for UKRI-NERC

Reference number

UKRI-1800

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

- 71332000 - Geotechnical engineering services

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

Services

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

UKRI seeks to procure the services of a suitably qualified and experienced Geo-technical Adviser for a range of sub-surface investments currently underway, planned and being considered as part of our commitment to support HMG in this developing research field. UKRI is developing a range of projects across it's Councils to support HMG delivery of Net Zero by 2050 that may include similar geotechnical advice.

As part of the green industrial revolution, BEIS have indicated that UKRI can play a crucial role in providing independent research and analysis (including National Capability Infrastructure where appropriate) supporting geological solutions over the next decade and in particular support the five clusters as they develop.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £9,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 73100000 - Research and experimental development services
- 73300000 - Design and execution of research and development
- 90712000 - Environmental planning
- 71540000 - Construction management services
- 71500000 - Construction-related services
- 71541000 - Construction project management services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UNITED KINGDOM

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

The services require understanding and experience of a range of infrastructure and scientific approaches both in the UK and abroad to include, inter alia: Geoenergy; Hydrogen Storage & Carbon Capture & Storage including 'at depth' both onshore and offshore and Geothermal. Services will include infrastructure design, well design for scientific analysis, injection systems and regulatory planning and permissions. The successful bidder will also provide expertise in stakeholder/public engagement data management and business case development.

This Contract Notice is for a Geotechnical Advisor that can support UKRI in early stage development, planning and costing to maximise the efficiency and effectiveness of our investments.

The successful bidder will provide all necessary resources to fulfil this role as principal advisor but may choose to take the lead role with other 'specialist' sub-advisors in order to provide a pre-selected core team for consistency of approach.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Technical/Quality / Weighting: 60

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 30

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £9,000,000

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

UKRI may re-procure this framework at the end of the term, but does not commit itself to do so.

### **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**

The framework will be on a call-off basis for a period of 4 years. The total value of the framework will not exceed £9,000,000.

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with a single operator

#### **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: [2021/S 000-028332](#)

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

Date

22 April 2022

Local time

2:00pm

**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: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

**IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

22 April 2022

Local time

2:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

<https://ukri.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Swindon:-Geotechnical-engineering-services./YKJVF332AP>

To respond to this opportunity, please click here:

<https://ukri.delta-esourcing.com/respond/YKJVF332AP>

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### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

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