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## **Industrial Decarbonisation Market Mechanisms Regulatory Support 24-28**

ENVIRONMENT AGENCY (Defra Network eTendering Portal)

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Call for competition

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

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

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**Country**

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**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs>

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**

National or federal Agency/Office

**I.5) Main activity**

Environment

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

## Industrial Decarbonisation Market Mechanisms Regulatory Support 24-28

Reference number

C23631

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

- 71314300 - Energy-efficiency consultancy services

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

Services

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

The Environment Agency's Climate Change Trading and Regulatory Services Team (CCTRS) regulate and administer various UK Government and International climate change policies. We are seeking to put a suitable call off contract(s) for consultants with skills, knowledge and experience to support our operational activities over the next four years to maintain both our current operational activities and enable us to plan and deliver for the future.

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Any questions, requests to participate or tender submissions must be submitted electronically via this portal."

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

Value excluding VAT: £9,500,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 1 - (a), (b) and (c) - Business as usual

Lot No

Lot 1

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

- 90700000 - Environmental services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UK

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

For Lot 1 our 'business as usual' activities, the work will be dependent on each regime. The main work areas include permitting, account opening and assessing reports from businesses such as energy data, emissions data, and annual reports. Detailed below is a summary of the types of activities we undertake, although this list is not exhaustive:

- Determination of New Permits, Underlying Agreements, Registrations and Applications, Offsetting Obligations.
- Determination of subsequent Variations and Transfers Applications, Assess the eligibility of new facilities being added to agreements
- Review annual reports, monitoring plans, methodology plans, improvement reports, licence applications.
- Assessment of data submissions, process target period report submissions
- Undertake due diligence checks and assessments
- Respond to technical queries and produce technical guidance
- Submission of data to meet UK and International requirements

Skills and expertise required:

We are looking for suppliers who can provide consultants that are qualified to a degree level (or have significant experience) in a relevant field and have experience of working with relevant sectors or organisations in one or more of the following areas; energy management, climate change regimes, other environmental regulation and permitting experience.

Value is estimated £9m across the 4 years, across all 6 contracts and only an estimation

& not guaranteed.

### **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: £5,000,000

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

Start date

1 July 2024

End date

30 June 2028

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 2 – ESOS Audits

Lot No

2

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

- 90714000 - Environmental auditing

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UK

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

Lot 2 may be awarded up to two suppliers on the basis of a taxi ranking for ESOS audits. The rationale for two contracts is due to resilience in the market and the lack of suppliers who hold the relevant qualifications to carry this audit out. Therefore, it has historically and will continue to be awarded to two suppliers. This has worked well to date.

Skills and expertise required:

We are looking for suppliers who can provide consultants that are qualified to a degree level (or have significant experience) in a relevant field, have experience of working with relevant sectors, a high degree of knowledge of industrial processes and have experience of delivering detailed energy or emissions audits. For our ESOS audits, consultant must be an approved lead assessor for ESOS and have undertaken several ESOS compliance assessments for a range of companies in different sectors.

Value is estimated £9m across the 4 years, across all 6 contracts and only an estimation & not guaranteed.

#### **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: £3,000,000

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

Start date

1 July 2024

End date

30 June 2028

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

A new tender will be released for any renewals

### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 3 - Technical Advice

Lot No

3

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

- 90713000 - Environmental issues consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UK

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

Lot 3, where specific technical advice will be sought. For example, we might want to seek independent expertise to validate an operator's request, we might need specific advice on a particular sector, or a particular process undertaken by an operator under any of our regimes, we might want independent advice on guidance we intend to publish.

Skills and expertise required:

We are looking for suppliers who can provide consultants that are qualified to a degree level (or have significant experience) in a relevant field, have the technical skills and experience of working with relevant operators and sectors and a high degree of knowledge of industrial processes and operations relevant to the regimes we regulate.

Value is estimated £9m across the 4 years, across all 6 contracts and only an estimation & not guaranteed.

#### **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: £1,500,000

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

Start date

1 July 2024

End date

30 June 2028

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

A new tender will be released for any renewals

#### **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 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**

Competitive procedure with negotiation

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of expressions of interest**

Date

19 April 2024

Local time

3:00pm

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

English

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

Please see the tender pack by registering for Atamis (e-sourcing portal). The tender pack includes all specification, technical questions and timeline.

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

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

Defra Network eTendering Portal

Seacole Building, 2 Marsham Street

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United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs>

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

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