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## **UKRI-3835 National Capability for Behavioural Research (NCBR) Evaluation**

UK Research & Innovation

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Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-044abd

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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**

Additional information can be obtained from 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-3835 National Capability for Behavioural Research (NCBR) Evaluation

Reference number

UKRI-3835

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 73110000 - Research services

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

Services

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

This Prior Information Notice (PIN) is a market engagement to inform regarding the requirement for the sourcing of National Capability for Behavioural Research (NCBR) Evaluation, briefly detailed in Section 2. For clarity, this PIN is not a Call for Competition. Not registering an interest shall not prevent any organisation from participating in any potential future procurement, nor is it intended that any information supplied as part of the preliminary market consultation shall place any organisation at an advantage in any potential future procurement process.

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

Value excluding VAT: £387,500

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **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**

Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) are seeking suppliers for the design and delivery of an evaluation of its National Capability for Behavioural Research (NCBR) programme, which runs from 2023 to 2028. NCBR aims to build world-leading capability in interdisciplinary behavioural research and is being delivered through a 'hub and spokes' model. ESRC has invested an initial £17 million to date in the 'hub' - Behavioural Research UK (BR-UK) – and a first spoke - Centre for Doctoral Training and Research Excellence in Understanding Behaviour (CENTRE-UB), a Centre for Doctoral Training Plus (CDT+). Further spokes are likely to be established. NCBR is a key strategic investment for ESRC, aiming to grow researcher capacity and generate policy and

practice relevant research related to human behaviour that has real world impact. There are four key activity areas: connecting and strengthening relationships between academic and wider stakeholders; increasing the use and linkage of existing data and data infrastructure; advancing interdisciplinary research and innovation in theory and methods; and training and professional development. This Prior Information Notice (PIN) is intended to notify suppliers of this upcoming procurement opportunity that will be advertised through the Crown Commercial Service RM6126 Research and Insights Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS). Only suppliers registered under the following categories will be eligible to submit bids upon launch: Evaluation and Evidence Synthesis: Impact evaluation, Theory-based impact evaluation (incl. Theories of Change (ToC) and Logic Modelling), Process evaluation; Data Collection Method(general): Quantitative, Qualitative, Mixed method (qualitative and quantitative);Data Collection Method (qual specific):Case studies. For additional details on this DPS, please visit <https://www.crowncommercial.gov.uk/agreements/RM6126>. Interested bidders are strongly encouraged to register as a DPS supplier using the provided link and complete the DPS Registration. It is essential to note that this DPS is managed by CCS and not UKRI. Therefore, for any technical assistance, please direct queries to the CCS customer services team, available Monday to Friday, 9 am to 5 pm, via email at [info@crowcommercial.gov.uk](mailto:info@crowcommercial.gov.uk) or by telephone at 0345 410 2222. To register your interest as a supplier for this DPS, please use the following link: <https://supplierregistration.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/dps>

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

Please note that the supplier registration process for DPS RM 6126 takes 15 working days.

#### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

15 April 2024

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## **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

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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