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Tender

Defra Research Development and Evidence Framework 1

Defra Network eTendering Portal

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

<https://defra.bravosolution.co.uk>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

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

<https://defra.bravosolution.co.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://defra.bravosolution.co.uk>

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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

Defra Research Development and Evidence Framework 1

Reference number

project_32478

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73100000 - Research and experimental development services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Defra wishes to let a Framework agreement for the provision of Research, Development & Evidence Services.

Research and Experimental Development (R&D) comprises creative work undertaken on a systematic basis in order to increase the stock of knowledge, including knowledge of man, culture and society, and the use of this stock of knowledge to devise new applications.

Evidence covers a range of sciences including economics, social research, operational research, statistics, natural science, engineering and geography.

The framework will be divided into 4 lots, which are additionally divided into sub lots:

Lot 1 Food

sub lot 1.1 – Supporting a resilient and secure food system

sub lot 1.2 – Enabling a productive and competitive agri-food chain

sub lot 1.3 – Safety and Confidence in food

sub lot 1.4 – Supporting a sustainable and healthy agri-food chain

lot 2 Farming

sub lot 2.1 – Crop performance and protection services

sub lot 2.2 – Livestock performance services

sub lot 2.3 – Agronomy, nutrient management and sustainable system services

sub lot 2.4 – Modelling toolkits, informatics and comparative life cycle assessment services

sub lot 2.5 – Farming statistics

Lot 3 Air Quality

sub lot 3.1 – Air quality analysis and expert services

sub lot 3.2 – Air quality monitoring and data

sub lot 3.3 – Modelling tools for air quality studies

sub lot 3.4 – Air quality economics and socio-economic

sub lot 3.5 – Noise research and analysis

Lot 4 Socio-Economic

sub lot 4.1 – Socio-economic

This procurement will follow the restricted procedure. This notice is for the Supplier Selection Criteria stage, following which the procurement team will shortlist suppliers to be invited to submit a tender proposal.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £40,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 11

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

RD&E Framework Lot 5 Flood & Water Sub Lot 5.1 Evidence reviews for water quality, water resources & flood and coastal erosion risk management

Lot No

5.1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 73100000 - Research and experimental development services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Work under lot 5 covers services relating to Flood & Coastal Erosion risk management, water quality and, water resources

For Sub lot specific details and core services please register on the Bravo E-tendering portal and navigate to project_32478

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

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

Duration in months

32

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

tbc

II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged number of candidates: 6

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 Authority seeks to identify high quality contractors to participate in a tendering exercise for the provision of a new framework agreement for Research, Development and Evidence, (RD&E Framework). The RD&E Framework will support core Defra and its Arms-Length Bodies NDPB's and Executive Agencies

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

RD&E Framework Lot 5 Flood & Water Sub Lot 5.2 - R&D for water quality, water resources and coastal erosion risk management

Lot No

5.2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 73110000 - Research services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Work under lot 5 covers services relating to Flood & Coastal Erosion risk management, water quality and, water resources

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II.2) Description**II.2.1) Title**

RD&E Framework lot 6 marine and Fisheries Sub lot 6.1 Clean & Safe Seas

Lot No

6.1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 73110000 - Research services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Work under Lot 6 covers services relating to Defra's Marine and Fisheries Science and Evidence Programme, providing multi-disciplinary scientific research, evidence and analysis to inform policy development & implementation. This programme informs and guides policy by ensuring knowledge gaps are addressed with robust, current and unbiased evidence. The programme engages with the fishing industry and wider seafood sector, recreational angling

sector, academic researchers, research laboratories, environmental organisations, the Devolved Administrations and coastal communities. It aims to deliver evidence to address current and near-term issues, but also to understand future risks to and vulnerabilities of the marine environment.

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Duration in months

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Description of renewals

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II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

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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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II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

RD&D Framework Lot 6 Marine & Fisheries Sub lot 6.2 Healthy & biologically diverse seas

Lot No

6.2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 73110000 - Research services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Duration in months

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This contract is subject to renewal

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Description of renewals

tbc

II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged number of candidates: 6

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 Authority seeks to identify high quality contractors to participate in a tendering exercise for the provision of a new framework agreement for Research, Development and Evidence, (RD&E Framework). The RD&E Framework will support core Defra and its Arms-Length Bodies NDPB's and Executive Agencies

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

RD&E Framework Lot 6 Marine and Fisheries Sub-lot 6.3 Productive seas & freshwater systems

Lot No

6.3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 73110000 - Research services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Work under Lot 6 covers services relating to Defra's Marine and Fisheries Science and Evidence Programme, providing multi-disciplinary scientific research, evidence and analysis to inform policy development & implementation. This programme informs and guides policy by ensuring knowledge gaps are addressed with robust, current and unbiased evidence. The programme engages with the fishing industry and wider seafood sector, recreational angling sector, academic researchers, research laboratories, environmental organisations, the Devolved Administrations and coastal communities. It aims to deliver evidence to address current and near-term issues, but also to understand future risks to and vulnerabilities of the marine environment.

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Duration in months

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This contract is subject to renewal

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Description of renewals

tbc

II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged number of candidates: 6

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 Authority seeks to identify high quality contractors to participate in a tendering exercise for the provision of a new framework agreement for Research, Development and Evidence, (RD&E Framework). The RD&E Framework will support core Defra and its Arms-Length Bodies NDPB's and Executive Agencies

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

RD&E Framework Lot 6 Marine & Fisheries Sub-lot 6.4 Ocean climate science & international engagement

Lot No

6.4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 73110000 - Research services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

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

Duration in months

32

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

tbc

II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged number of candidates: 6

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 Authority seeks to identify high quality contractors to participate in a tendering exercise for the provision of a new framework agreement for Research, Development and Evidence, (RD&E Framework). The RD&E Framework will support core Defra and its Arms-Length Bodies NDPB's and Executive Agencies

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

RD&E Framework Lot 6 Marine & Fisheries Sub-lot 6.5 Society & the sea

Lot No

6.5

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 73110000 - Research services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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

Duration in months

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This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

tbc

II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged number of candidates: 6

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 Authority seeks to identify high quality contractors to participate in a tendering exercise for the provision of a new framework agreement for Research, Development and Evidence, (RD&E Framework). The RD&E Framework will support core Defra and its Arms-Length Bodies NDPB's and Executive Agencies

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

RD&E Framework Lot 7 Resource & Waste Sub-lot 7.1 Waste & waste management

Lot No

7.1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 73110000 - Research services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Work under lot 7 covers services relating to Defra's Resources and Waste Evidence

Programme, which provides multi-disciplinary research, evidence and analysis to inform policy development & implementation. Through this work Defra seeks to develop policy to reach the goals and ambitions of the Resources and Waste Strategy which sets out how we will preserve our stock of material resources by minimising waste, promoting resource efficiency and moving towards a circular economy whilst minimising the damage caused to our natural environment by reducing and managing waste safely and carefully.

For Sub lot specific details and core services please register on the Bravo E-tendering portal and navigate to project_32478

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

Duration in months

32

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

tbc

II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged number of candidates: 6

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 Authority seeks to identify high quality contractors to participate in a tendering exercise for the provision of a new framework agreement for Research, Development and Evidence, (RD&E Framework). The RD&E Framework will support core Defra and its Arms-Length Bodies NDPB's and Executive Agencies

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

RD&E Framework Lot 7 Resource & Waste Sub-lot 7.2 Material resource efficiency & sustainable consumption

Lot No

7.2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 73110000 - Research services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Work under lot 7 covers services relating to Defra's Resources and Waste Evidence Programme, which provides multi-disciplinary research, evidence and analysis to inform policy development & implementation. Through this work Defra seeks to develop policy to reach the goals and ambitions of the Resources and Waste Strategy which sets out how we will preserve our stock of material resources by minimising waste, promoting resource efficiency and moving towards a circular economy whilst minimising the damage caused to our natural environment by reducing and managing waste safely and carefully.

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II.2.5) Award criteria

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

Duration in months

32

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

tbc

II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

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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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II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

RD&E Framework Lot 8 Animal & Plant Health Sub-lot 8.1 Plant Health Natural Sciences Research & Evidence

Lot No

8.1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 73110000 - Research services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Work under Lot 8 covers services relating to Defra's Animal Welfare and Plant Health Evidence programmes.

Defra's Plant Health Evidence and Analysis Programme is an interdisciplinary programme which supports the development of a wide range of policies broadly aiming to protect plant health from risk. The Programme engages with farming, horticulture and forestry industries, sector bodies, environmental organisations, and civil society to understand work in this area. Research and evidence gathering in this Programme supports development of policies on plant health, tree health, bee health and plant varieties and seeds.

Defra's Animal Welfare Evidence and Analysis Programme is an interdisciplinary programme which supports the development of a wide range of policies broadly aiming to establish high standards of animal welfare, in relation to farm animals, companion animals, welfare in transport and welfare at slaughter. The Programme engages with farming, welfare organisations, sector bodies, veterinary organisations, and civil society to understand work in this area

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This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

tbc

II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged number of candidates: 6

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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II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

RD&E Framework Lot 8 Animal & Plant Health Sub-lot 8.2 Animal Welfare Research & Evidence

Lot No

8.2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 73110000 - Research services

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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

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Restricted 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 several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 66

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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2020/S 138-340784](#)

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

Date

26 July 2021

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.3) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

20 September 2021

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: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: tbc

VI.3) Additional information

Thank you for your interest in tendering for this requirement, You will need to access the documents through Bravo Solutions portal.

1) The web address is <https://defra.bravosolution.co.uk> and click the link to register — Accept the terms and conditions and click ‘continue’ — Enter your correct business and user details — Note the username you chose and click ‘Save’ when complete — You will shortly receive an email with your unique password (please keep this secure).

2. Express an Interest in the tender — Login to the portal with the username/password — Click the ‘PQQs / ITTs Open To All Suppliers’ link. (These are Pre-Qualification Questionnaires or Invitations to Tender open to any registered supplier) — Click on the relevant PQQ/ ITT to access the content. — Click the ‘Express Interest’ button at the top of the page. — This will move the PQQ /ITT into your ‘My PQQs/ My ITTs’ page. (This is a secure area reserved for your projects only) -You can now access any attachments by clicking ‘Buyer Attachments’ in the ‘PQQ/ ITT Details’ box 3. Responding to the tender — Click ‘My Response’ under ‘PQQ/ ITT Details’, you can choose to ‘Create Response’ or to ‘Decline to Respond’ (please give a reason if declining) — You can now use the ‘Messages’ function to communicate with the buyer and seek any clarification — Note the deadline for completion, then follow the onscreen instructions to complete the PQQ/ ITT — There may be a mixture of online and offline actions for you to perform (there is detailed online help available) You must then submit your reply using the ‘Submit Response’ button at the top of the page. Please give yourself enough time to complete this before the deadline. If you require any further assistance please consult the online help, or contact the e-Tendering help desk.

Please direct all questions and queries through the message function of the portal, including any clarification questions. This is to ensure no questions are missed and that all answers can be shared with all interested suppliers at the same time

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Courts of England and Wales

London

Country

United Kingdom