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## **ERIS SLES Marketplace Platform - Pre-Market Engagement RFI**

ENERGY SYSTEMS CATAPULT LIMITED

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Reducing time limits for receipt of tenders

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

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

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#### **Email**

[procurement@es.catapult.org.uk](mailto:procurement@es.catapult.org.uk)

#### **Telephone**

+44 1212033700

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://es.catapult.org.uk/>

**I.3) Communication**

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

Energy Research & Developement

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

ERIS SLES Marketplace Platform - Pre-Market Engagement RFI

Reference number

ESC/21/192

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

## Services

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

Context and Purpose of the Pre-Market Engagement RFI.

UK Local Authorities (LAs) will play a key role in delivering the UK's Net Zero targets and accelerating the UK's transition to a net zero future. However not all LAs have the resources, time or know how to determine, design & deliver the solutions needed to achieve the changes required in their local areas.

Working together with LAs, Energy Systems Catapult (ESC) has developed a prototype platform that brings together the key components of a SLES Marketplace platform that can guide LAs through the stages needed to deliver complex smart local energy projects.

The purpose of this RFI is to receive and elicit feedback on the conceptual design of the SLES Marketplace platform to include but not limited to:

- To understand if there is any existing solution that can deliver the scale, flexibility and openness that is required?
- if an existing solution can be modified?
- if it is recommended to build something new?

In all cases ESC is seeking feedback regarding but not limited to:

- indicative costs (a breakdown of the various elements will be very helpful)?
- timescales from start to final commissioning of the Platform.
- challenges associated with implementing the proposed solution.

This information will be used by the ESC to develop more detailed requirements for the system which will be used in our subsequent RFP we plan to publish in the near future to supplier who have registered their interest and responded to the RFI.

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

Value excluding VAT: £1,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

This notice is a Request for Information (RFI) to give Suppliers to opportunity review the project and if suitable to register their interest in taking part in the Tender (RFP) ESC plans to publish in due course.

Webinar & Registering Interest.

Energy Systems Catapult (ESC) is holding a Webinar on Thursday 15th July between 10:30am and 12 noon. ESC will set out its ideas and plans for the Platform and participants will have the opportunity to ask any questions.

Should you wish to attend the Webinar and or take part in the RFI, please register your interest in the Webinar and or the RFI by emailing the ESC Procurement team at:

[procurement@es.catapult.org.uk](mailto:procurement@es.catapult.org.uk)

Please mark any and all communications:

"SLES Marketplace platform- ESC/21/192"

Please note:

If you fail to use this title/reference ESC may not respond too and or delete emails not correctly addressed.

There is no limit on the numbers who may attend the Webinar, however, to register and receive the link please indicate how many places you need and who will attend and provide their email address.

Once registered for the Webinar, each registered participant will be sent the link to the

Webinar on the afternoon of the 14th July 2021.

The RFI document will be sent to you once you have registered your interest. It provides more information on what the Platform is and how to respond to the RFI.

You must register your Company's interest in taking part in the RFI to ensure you are invited to participate in the RFP stage of the event.

Should you have any further questions regarding the Webinar and or the RFI please email them to the above address and if you declare the question commercially sensitive ESC will not share the answers with other participants, however, non-commercial question may be published with the questions & answers sent to all registered participants.

Please do not canvas and or contact any ESC employees directly regarding the SLES ERIS Platform as this could lead to your Company being barred from participating/ bidding on the RFP. All communication regarding the Platform must only be sent to the Procurement Teams email address.

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

Duration in months

36

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

30 September 2021

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

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

#### **III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

Suppliers interested in taking part in the Webinar and or RFI must register their interest by emailing the ESC Procurement Team by no later than 10am on the 14th July 2021:

[procurement@es.catapult.org.uk](mailto:procurement@es.catapult.org.uk)

Please mark any and all communications:

"SLES Marketplace platform- ESC/21/192".

Upon receipt of your registration request , the full RFI documentation will be sent to your registered email address.

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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: No

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

UKRI

Swindon

Country

United Kingdom

