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Tender

Farming in Protected Landscapes Evaluation

Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs

F02: Contract notice

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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://defra.bravosolution.co.uk/esop/quest/go/opportunity/detail?opportunityId=51727>

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/esop/quest/go/opportunity/detail?opportunityId=51727>

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Farming in Protected Landscapes Evaluation

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This tender is looking to evaluate the Farming in Protected Landscape Programme, which will fund National Parks and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty to collaborate with farmers and other land managers to deliver a range of projects within their local landscapes between June 2021 and March 2024. The programme will support delivery of outcomes for nature, climate, people and place, contributing to the Government's 25 Year Environment Plan, net zero and 30 by 30 commitments.

The evaluation will assess process, outcomes and value-for-money, and improve understanding of what works, for whom, in what circumstances and why, across the four delivery themes of nature, climate, people and place. The evaluation will help Defra to gather and generate evidence to demonstrate the effectiveness of the programme; show what Protected Landscapes can deliver in partnership with farmers and land managers when provided with resource and space to do so; demonstrate project outcomes and wider impacts; and capture learning to feed back into programme design and implementation in the Protected Landscapes and inform future policy development in Defra.

The evaluation contractors will be responsible for all aspects of the evaluation, using programme and project level monitoring and reporting data, other existing data, and collecting new data as appropriate. We anticipate that there will be a strong process evaluation component, particularly given the emphasis on partnership working, and that evaluators might consider theory-based approaches for the outcome and impact evaluation, such as realist or qualitative comparative analysis. Innovative or novel research methods and alternative approaches are welcome.

A market engagement event will be held on 12th July 2-3pm via Teams. This will provide an

opportunity to ask questions or request clarity on any parts of the specification that may be unclear.

The link for the teams meeting can be found below:

<https://tinyurl.com/c7fsvc38>

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £500,000

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

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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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

34

This contract is subject to renewal

No

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

Date

6 August 2021

Local time

5:00pm

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

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

9 August 2021

Local time

5:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs

London

Country

United Kingdom