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Tender

Multi-disciplinary technical advice services

Energy Saving Trust Ltd

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA14923

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://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Other type

Government Sub-contractor

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Environmental Consultant

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Multi-disciplinary technical advice services

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71314300 - Energy-efficiency consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Energy Saving Trust is looking to appoint a framework of contractors to provide multi-disciplinary technical advice services to applicant organisations to assist them in the progression of projects funded through the Scottish Government's Community and Renewable Energy Scheme (CARES).

The Energy Saving Trust are seeking to directly procure technical advice services in support of CARES applicants, to increase the Scheme's capacity to support the mobilisation of community based projects and ensure best value in service delivery.

It is anticipated that the services will be provided by multiple suppliers appointed to this Framework Agreement on a Call Off basis.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 71314300 - Energy-efficiency consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

CARES is designed to accelerate progress towards the Scottish Government's target of two gigawatt of community and locally owned renewable energy by 2030, and that at least half of all newly consented renewable energy projects will have an element of shared ownership. It supports the Scottish Government's target to reach net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2045.

CARES supports community and locally owned projects to generate their own energy or to invest in or benefit from larger commercial developments. Communities and rural businesses can access finance from the CARES programme in the form of loans and grants to investigate and develop renewable energy projects. CARES provides support to community organisations looking to secure, develop and ensure the effective management of community funds from renewable energy sources. The scheme is also open to national or regional non-profit organisations with charitable aims and objectives and faith groups.

The CARES projects listed below are expected to be typical during the period of the Framework:

- Decarbonisation of community buildings. Supporting communities to implement energy efficiency, solar photovoltaic systems (PV), energy storage and low carbon heating in community buildings and assets.
- Community-based heat pump schemes. Community organisation support members of the community (homeowners, and other local heating loads) to install heat pumps and enabling measures.
- Community solar hosted on third party roofs. Community-owned solar hosted on suitable rooftops in the local area i.e. local authority, public sector, and civic buildings.
- Community-owned renewables connected to local loads through private wire installations. These may serve large energy loads, including buildings, centralised heat pump plants alongside civic or utility needs. These may result in reduced electricity cost for consumers and higher Power Purchase Agreements (PPA) prices for generators, which can create a strong business case.
- Remote off-power grid communities to upgrade their energy systems to be resilient and prepare for net zero.
- Local energy system and innovation projects have been and will continue to be supported to develop new business models.

- Generation projects supplying energy to the grid using wind, hydro and PV.

Case studies are available via <https://www.localenergy.scot/projects-and-case-studies/case-studies/>

More information about the CARES programme can be found here: www.localenergy.scot

Given the complexity of projects, tight deadlines for delivery and potential to look for synergies across these projects, the Energy Saving Trust currently anticipates that it will appoint two to four multi-disciplinary technical consultancies who are able to provide support across the wide range of technical advice that is required to support the delivery of the CARES funding programme.

Contractors appointed to this framework will provide detailed and complex advice on energy systems, storage, heat and transport to applicant organisations to assist them in the progression of projects.

Example tasks include:

Technical reviews

Option appraisals

Feasibility studies

Procurement support

Project planning

Defining and preparing a risk register

Defining and preparing a project plan

Client engineers support services

High level engineering support

Cost consultancy services and value engineering

Planning, building warrants and other consents

Grid capacity and connections

Due diligence and business case development

The range of potential projects and example technical advice services set out above to support them above is wide ranging. The level of support will be agreed between Local Energy Scotland and CARES applicant organisations. The right tasks to support a project may include any of the above rather than all of the above and we require contractors that can draw on a range of engineering and cost consultancy skills.

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

Start date

9 November 2021

End date

31 March 2023

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The contract may be extended up to a further two 12-month periods to 31 March 2025 by mutual agreement in writing between the parties.

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 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

As described in the attached documentation

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.2.2) Contract performance conditions

As described in the attached documentation.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open 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: 2

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

N/A

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 tenders or requests to participate

Date

23 September 2021

Local time

12:00pm

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

Tender must be valid until: 23 March 2022

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

23 September 2021

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

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https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=664844.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace Court

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