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Tender

Professional Advisory Services to Support OFGEM's OFTO Team

Ofgem

F02: Contract notice

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The closing date and time has been changed to:

1 October 2021, 12:00pm

See the change notice.

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Ofgem

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Country

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NUTS code

UKI - London

Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.ofgem.gov.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.mytenders.co.uk/search/Search AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10021

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.mytenders.co.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://www.mytenders.co.uk

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Professional Advisory Services to Support OFGEM's OFTO Team

Reference number

2021-071

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 79410000 - Business and management consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

OFTO licences, granted through the competitive process, confer certain rights and responsibilities on OFTOs, including the right to a regulated revenue stream for a defined period in return for provision of transmission services.

Through the tender process, interested parties have the opportunity to bid to become an OFTO. The offshore transmission assets that the OFTO takes ownership of are acquired at a transfer value determined by the Authority. Following transfer of ownership, the OFTO owns and manages the transmission assets (including the cables and associated connection equipment) between the offshore point of connection with the generator and the point of connection with the onshore network.

Following the transfer of ownership, the OFTO is required to comply with the licence conditions. The revenue stream also includes mechanisms which adjust the OFTO's regulated revenue stream for certain 'pass-through' items. The Income Adjusting Event (IAE) is one such 'pass-through' revenue adjustment mechanism for costs and expenses that have arisen during the revenue term, for example, due to fault or failure of the system (subject to defined pre-requisites), or at the Authority's discretion. The Authority is responsible for the decision-making when such claims are made. Other policy development and enforcement actions may also be required during the revenue stream.

This procurement is seeking expert consultancy services to support decision-making and policy development for all such requirements in the regime.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £9,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Financial Advisors

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 66171000 Financial consultancy services
- 66170000 Financial consultancy, financial transaction processing and clearing-house services
- 72224000 Project management consultancy services
- 72221000 Business analysis consultancy services
- 79400000 Business and management consultancy and related services
- 79411000 General management consultancy services
- 79412000 Financial management consultancy services
- 79419000 Evaluation consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The primary responsibility of the financial advisors, is to assist Ofgem in running an efficient tender and transaction process. This will include preparatory work in advance of

the Tender Rounds and evaluating bid submissions in coordination with other appointed technical and insurance advisors. This is to ensure that the most economically advantageous tender is selected. The Preferred Bidder (PB) will then proceed to the transaction stage where Ofgem will require further support to aid the process to Licence Grant (LG) and Financial Close (FC). Effective transfer of knowledge on each stage of the process along with general advice on lessons learned is also required.

All advisors will work collaboratively in the EPQ (Enhanced Pre-Qualification) and ITT (Invitation to Tender) stages. The financial advisor will be fulfilling the role of Lead Evaluator for both the stages, acting as a single point of contact for the Authority, bringing together all of the evaluation sections/reports into final integrated reports.

Further information can be found in the ITT document

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 55

Price - Weighting: 45

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £6,520,000

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

Duration in months

48

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Insurance Advisors

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 66000000 Financial and insurance services
- 66510000 Insurance services
- 66518000 Insurance brokerage and agency services
- 66518100 Insurance brokerage services
- 66518200 Insurance agency services
- 66519310 Insurance consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The primary responsibility of the Insurance advisors, is to assist Ofgem in running an efficient tender and transaction process. This will include preparatory work in advance of the Tender Rounds and evaluating bid submissions in coordination with other appointed technical and financial advisors. This is to ensure that the most economically advantageous tender is selected and the Preferred Bidder (PB) will then proceed to the transaction stage where Ofgem may require further support to aid the process to Licence Grant (LG) and Financial Close (FC).

Effective transfer of knowledge on each stage of the process along with general advice on lessons learned is also required

All advisors will work collaboratively in the Enhanced Pre-Qualification (EPQ) and Invitation to Tender (ITT) stages. The financial advisor will be fulfilling the role of Lead

Evaluator for both the stages, acting as a single point of contact for the Authority, bringing together all of the evaluation sections/reports into final integrated reports. It is expected that all Advisors supporting specific tender processes will coordinate the production within the timescales communicated by Ofgem. In order to achieve this, the lead evaluator will likely set earlier deadlines by which they require all outputs for them to present integrated reports.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 55

Price - Weighting: 45

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £640,000

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

Duration in months

48

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Technical Advisors

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 71621000 Technical analysis or consultancy services
- 71600000 Technical testing, analysis and consultancy services
- 72221000 Business analysis consultancy services
- 72224000 Project management consultancy services
- 79400000 Business and management consultancy and related services
- 79411000 General management consultancy services
- 79411100 Business development consultancy services
- 79419000 Evaluation consultancy 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

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 55

Price - Weighting: 45

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,800,000

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

Duration in months

48

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 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.2.1) Information about a particular profession

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession

Reference to the relevant law, regulation or administrative provision

Please see the lot specific specification documents for further information.

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

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: 3

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
Originally published as:
Date
27 September 2021
Local time
12:00pm
Changed to:
Date
1 October 2021
Local time
12:00pm
See the change notice.
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: 25 January 2022
IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders Date
27 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

Please see the ITT document for further information.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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