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# Planning RTO Dynamic Framework for Space Based Solar Power

Satellite Applications Catapult

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# Section I: Contracting authority

## I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

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NUTS code

#### UK - United Kingdom

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

#### https://sa.catapult.org.uk/

Buyer's address

https://www.mytenders.co.uk/search/Search\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA42845

### I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

### **I.3)** Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

## I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Other type

Research and Technology Organisation

### I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Space Sector

# Section II: Object

### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

RTO Dynamic Framework for Space Based Solar Power

Reference number

RFP-FY-23-05

#### 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

The Satellite Applications Catapult is seeking to establish an RTO Dynamic Framework to support the delivery of a space-based solar power programme. This is in a preliminary the exploration phase and is anticipated to be a multi-million-pound endeavour. The exact value is not yet known, hence why we have not provided an estimate as part of this PIN.

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

### **II.2) Description**

#### II.2.1) Title

Programme and Engineering Management

Lot No

1

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

- 73100000 Research and experimental development services
- 73110000 Research services
- 73120000 Experimental development services
- 73200000 Research and development consultancy services
- 73210000 Research consultancy services
- 73220000 Development consultancy services
- 73300000 Design and execution of research and development
- 73420000 Pre-feasibility study and technological demonstration

- 73430000 Test and evaluation
- 72000000 IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support
- 72100000 Hardware consultancy services
- 72200000 Software programming and consultancy services
- 72212100 Industry specific software development services
- 72212461 Analytical or scientific software development services
- 72220000 Systems and technical consultancy services
- 72262000 Software development services
- 72263000 Software implementation services
- 72265000 Software configuration services
- 72266000 Software consultancy services
- 79421000 Project-management services other than for construction work
- 34700000 Aircraft and spacecraft
- 34712000 Spacecraft, satellites and launch vehicles
- 71300000 Engineering services
- 71320000 Engineering design services
- 71323000 Engineering-design services for industrial process and production
- 71350000 Engineering-related scientific and technical services
- 72224000 Project management consultancy services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

#### NUTS codes

• UKJ1 - Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire

Main site or place of performance

Harwell

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

As a research and technology organisation (RTO), the Satellite Applications Catapult is planning to let an RTO Dynamic Framework (DF) for the purpose of supporting a spacebased solar power programme. The initial term of the DF is intended to be 3 years with options to extend built in. The DF is intended to be structured into three lots: 1) Programme and Engineering Management, 2) Development and Manufacturing and 3) Spacecraft and Mission Engineering. The intention is that every 6 months the DF will be reopened for new submissions, allowing for new entrants to the marketplace to join. At this time existing DF suppliers will have the opportunity to refresh their rate cards and background IP declaration but will otherwise require no further action to remain on the DF. The terms and conditions of the DF are being appropriately defined around the technical readiness levels of the expected activities to be undertaken.

Lot 1 - Programme & Engineering Management: Project & programme management, Systems Engineering, Engineering & Design Management and Digital Design Management.

#### II.2.14) Additional information

Additional background information is provided in the downloadable document "SBSP RTO DF Supplier Presentation" where you will find additional detail on what we are trying to achieve and how you can register your interest. If you are having issues locating this document, please contact procurement@sa.catapult.org.uk to request a copy.

## **II.2) Description**

#### II.2.1) Title

Spacecraft and Mission Engineering

Lot No

3

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

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- 73110000 Research services
- 73120000 Experimental development services
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Lot 3 Spacecraft & mission engineering: Mission design & analysis (space & ground segment), Propulsion design, manufacture & testing, Spacecraft design & construction, Spacecraft verification & validation and Mission launch services.

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### **II.2) Description**

#### II.2.1) Title

Technology Development and Manufacturing

Lot No

2

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

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#### Harwell

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Lot 2 Technology Development & Manufacturing. Suppliers in Lot 2 will be expected to perform research and development and manufacturing tasks, including integrated engineering design (mechanical, electrical, software), simulation (e.g. finite element analysis, multiphysics simulation) and testing (e.g. validation and verification). Manufacturing tasks can include both the manufacturing of specific items as well as designing manufacturing processes and facilities. The technologies involved are those at the core of SBSP:

Concentrator photovoltaics: chip development, power electronics, concentrator optics, systems integration;

Wireless power transmission: antenna and rectenna, RF systems, power systems ground infrastructure; and

Robotic assembly and servicing, including hardware and software.

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

1 October 2022

# 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: Yes

# Section VI. Complementary information

## VI.3) Additional information

To participate, interested parties must be registered on the MyTenders portal <u>https://www.mytenders.co.uk/</u> with up-to-date contact details to include company name and E mail. If you have any issues registering, MyTenders has a help section located here <u>https://www.mytenders.co.uk/helpandresources/website</u>. The available document to download is: "SBSP RTO DF Supplier Presentation", the Satellite Applications Catapult are requesting interested parties complete the form to express their interest by 02/09/2022. If you have any further issues, please contact <u>procurement@sa.catapult.org.uk</u>

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the myTenders Web Site at <a href="https://www.mytenders.co.uk/Search/Search\_Switch.aspx?ID=227004">https://www.mytenders.co.uk/Search/Search\_Switch.aspx?ID=227004</a>.

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