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Contract

Low Carbon Challenge Fund report Summative Assessment

West of England Combined Authority

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03eba3

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

West of England Combined Authority

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Bristol

BS1 6AL

Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKK - South West (England)

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.westofengland-ca.org.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.westofengland-ca.org.uk/>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Low Carbon Challenge Fund report Summative Assessment

Reference number

DN665886

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79311400 - Economic research services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Under the requirements of the Department of Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) for the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF), as part of the European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF) 2014-20, grant recipients are required to conduct a summative assessment at the conclusion of each project as part of monitoring and evaluation, to include impact assessment and process assessment.

The Combined Authority intends to procure an evaluation for the Low Carbon Challenge Fund. This evaluation will help inform similar future funding, already secured from the Authority's Green Recovery Fund.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £15,790

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79311410 - Economic impact assessment

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK - South West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Low Carbon Challenge Fund (LCCF) aims to support a shift to the low carbon economy, in the context of a financial recovery from the pandemic. It delivers objectives set out in the West of England Climate and Ecological Strategy and Action Plan. LCCF is funded through ERDF, the West of England Recovery Fund and the Green Recovery Fund. There are three grants streams in the fund:

- i) Green Business Grants (£1.7m) – grants for SMEs of up to £15k for energy saving improvements to buildings and equipment;
- ii) Local Energy Scheme (£1.3m) – grants of up to £500k to support the delivery of renewable energy projects that deliver community benefits;
- iii) Innovative Housing Retrofit Scheme (£500k) – a grant of £500k for a pilot project to test retrofit in 25 hard-to-treat homes.

This assessment needs to cover the total delivery of LCCF and delivery by funding stream, with the summative assessment report for ERDF funds only.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 40

Price - Weighting: 60

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: Yes

Identification of the project

European Structural and Investment Funds

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

The value of the procurement did not warrant an OJEU publication.

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

C1155

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

27 July 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 10

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

PFA Research Limited

Cornwall

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK - South West (England)

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £15,790

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Courts of Justice

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom