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Future opportunity

UK Seafood Fund: Fisheries Industry Science Partnerships scheme

Defra Network eTendering Portal

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/UK-seafood-fund-fisheries-industry-science-partnerships-scheme

Buyer's address

http://defra.bravosolutions.co.uk

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

UK Seafood Fund: Fisheries Industry Science Partnerships scheme

Reference number

33757

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

Fisheries Industry Science Partnerships (FISP) is a new government scheme being run by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, which will fund scientific research projects that involve partnerships between the UK seafood industry and research institutes. It is part of the Science and Innovation pillar of the £100 million UK Seafood Fund.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £10,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 73100000 - Research and experimental development services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Across financial years 21/22, 22/23 and 23/24, we intend to provide around £10 million funding through FISP. Up to £300,000 is available for each research project with a maximum project duration of two years. Grants of up to £20,000 are also available to support the development of research proposals which could be used as the basis for bids for future rounds of FISP contracts,.

FISP is currently undergoing an early market engagement phase before the scheme opens for applications. This is an opportunity for you to find out more about the scheme and provide feedback. This early market engagement phase is open until 8th October. We will also host a MS Teams event between 14:30 and 16:00 on 23rd September. This event will set out information on FISP and the application process. There will be an opportunity for attendees to ask relevant questions, submitted through the messaging section of this Bravo PQQ, before the event. Questions will be addressed at the event. To get access details for this event please open the response form (Q) of this PQQ. Please answer the questions located in the response form (Q) so that we can gauge interest in the event.

Also included in the response form (Q) is a questionnaire, designed to enable you to provide feedback on the draft documentation (scheme specification and high level evaluation criteria) shared within the form. Please complete the questionnaire as soon as possible AFTER submitting your on-line response. Last responses to this questionnaire are due on 27th September.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

10 September 2021

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