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Tender

How can we use technology to support the circular economy and Net Zero ambitions in the South of Scotland?

South of Scotland Enterprise Agency

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02e671

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

South of Scotland Enterprise Agency

Carmont House, The Crichton, Bankend Road

Dumfries

DG14TA

Contact

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.southofscotlandenterprise.com

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA30448

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

Regional or local Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

How can we use technology to support the circular economy and Net Zero ambitions in the South of Scotland?

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

South of Scotland Enterprise (SOSE) has a mission to support businesses, social enterprises, and communities in the South of Scotland. One of the key areas of support we want to develop focusses on the circular economy and Scotland's ambition to reach a Net Zero economy by 2045.

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https://www.civtechalliance.org/civtech

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £250,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 90700000 - Environmental services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

About CivTech

CivTech's mission is to drive daring and innovation in the public sector by collaboratively solving challenges that make people's lives better – and in doing so create generations of sustainable, high growth businesses.

CivTech brings together public sector expertise and private sector innovation to solve real problems, develop new products, and deliver better, faster and easier services for everyone. Central to the approach is co-production with the citizen.

Part of the Scottish Government's Digital Directorate, CivTech's approach is helping transform public sector engagement with tech and innovation, delivering significant benefits to public services, producing genuine uplifts for the Scottish economy - and along the way, making lives better.

Across the country there are problems public sector organisations would like to solve and in the current environment the need for smart, efficient and effective products has never been greater. The Scottish Government is aware innovation is a good way to create them and is committed to ensuring a large part of its tech spend goes to smaller, innovative businesses. This is where CivTech comes in.

The CivTech Innovation Flow is designed to create products as quickly and effectively as possible, and uses a true Development model at the heart of its Innovation Flow model. For you – whether you're an individual, team or company – it's an opportunity to take on a Challenge, solve it, and win contracts with a blue-chip public sector organisation. You'll build a product, and a business to take it as far as possible. Because here's the kicker: the Challenges we issue aren't 'single organisation' problems – most exist worldwide.

CivTech Sprints: open Challenges are set. Any organisation, team or individual can respond to them. Applications are assessed, and shortlisted proposals go into an Exploration Stage to be held between 22 November - 3 December 2021 where they're developed further. The best go through to the MVP Development Stage, to be held between 15 December 2021 – 23 March 2022 where you will have 12 weeks to work collaboratively with your Challenge Sponsor to develop a Minimum Viable Product. From there may be an opportunity is for further contracts to develop your solution through to a commercially viable solution.

Please note that with this Challenge, the opportunity for pre-commercial or follow-on contracts with the Challenge Sponsor, is not only dependent on the suitability and success of the MVP produced during the development stage; the opportunity for further contracts will be dependent on the Challenge Sponsor being able to secure further funding, which is not guaranteed. We welcome all ideas and applications, and particularly encourage proposals that can make the most of the Exploration and Development stages.

The above dates are specific to this Challenge and respondent should be able to commit to the dates outlined. Please note this process is separate to the CivTech 6 Cohort of challenges and is working to a separate timescale.

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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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Potential extensions may be required to complete the work.

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

Accelerated procedure

Justification:

The procedure is fully electronic and responses are required by a specific date to meet deadlines for project delivery

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

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27 October 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

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

27 October 2021

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

Suppliers are asked to read all the attached documentation, which will provide detailed information.

Suppliers are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problem.

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search Switch.aspx?ID=668523.

The buyer has indicated that it will accept electronic responses to this notice via the Postbox facility. A user guide is available at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court

27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH11LB

Country

United Kingdom