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## **Forecasting Tipping Points: Future climate innovators programme**

ADVANCED RESEARCH AND INVENTION AGENCY

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

ADVANCED RESEARCH AND INVENTION AGENCY

96 EUSTON ROAD,

LONDON

NW12DB

#### **Email**

[Clarifications@aria.org.uk](mailto:Clarifications@aria.org.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKI31 - Camden and City of London

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.aria.org.uk/>

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://www.aria.org.uk/supply-to-us/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.aria.org.uk/supply-to-us/>

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Forecasting Tipping Points: Future climate innovators programme

#### **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**

We are pleased to invite you to take part in this Request for Proposal (RFP).

ARIA is an R&D funding agency. We fund teams of scientists and engineers to pursue research at the edge of what is technologically or scientifically possible. ARIA was established by the UK Government in January 2023 with high levels of autonomy and flexibility.

From climate change to AI and bioengineering, society faces enormous challenges and opportunities that can be uniquely addressed by science and technology. ARIA was created to activate the UK's world-class R&D talent in new ways, so that we can meet these head on.

We are looking for a partner organisation who can deliver a youth-led competition as part of the Forecasting Tipping Points programme. Our discovery process has highlighted systemic barriers that could impede the long-term impact of our programme. Climate change affects everyone, so it is vital that we include people of all backgrounds and encourage the next generation of climate scientists and technologists to engage with our programme.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 80200000 - Secondary education services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

A youth-led competition to improve equity, diversity and inclusion (EDI) in Earth and space science. We have been inspired to develop and deliver a youth-led outreach programme, designed to engage the next generation of climate innovators. We're looking to demonstrate that new mode of citizen science. The initiative will capitalise on the ability of space science to captivate the imagination and the enthusiasm of the next generation to take on climate change.

We anticipate having a single lead organisation that delivers the future climate innovators programme and liaises with existing national rocketry competition(s) for an annual deployment demonstration.

- a. The programme would run in secondary schools across the UK, particularly enriched for areas of low participation in higher education.
- b. The content will be delivered by university students or early career professionals.
- c. For each cohort, the activity will run over a full academic year and expose school students to the science of climate tipping points and why they are important, alongside the remote sensing technologies that are used to monitor them.
- d. The activity will culminate in the creation of a sensor system for climate measurement at the end of each academic year.
- e. We envisage supporting a national (all parts of England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland) competition where all participating schools can come together to launch their sensor systems at a common location (coordinated by an operating partner).

### **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

No

**II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

**II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

Additional funding, scope and duration could be added to any contracts awarded.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Competitive procedure with negotiation

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

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#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Not Applicable, see the ARIA Act 2022

London

Country

United Kingdom