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## **Heat Network Technical Assurance Scheme (HNTAS): Shadow Training Provider Brief**

DESNZ & DSIT Group Commercial

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

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

DESNZ & DSIT Group Commercial

London

#### **Email**

[katsiaryna.addiego2@energysecurity.gov.uk](mailto:katsiaryna.addiego2@energysecurity.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-energy-security-and-net-zero>

## **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**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Heat Network Technical Assurance Scheme (HNTAS): Shadow Training Provider Brief

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 80531200 - Technical training services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

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Upcoming regulation is due to mandate certain technical requirements for heat networks, under HNTAS. These requirements will span across several elements of a network (i.e. energy centre, district distribution network, communal distribution network, thermal substation, and consumer connection), and will also apply temporally across a range of stages within a network's lifecycle (i.e. feasibility, design, commissioning and operation and maintenance). The introduction of these requirements will apply to both new build and existing networks, and introduce the need for the vast majority of existing networks to undertake works to meet performance and reliability thresholds. As such, we know that there will be increased demand for existing heat network skills, as well as an emergent demand for new roles that will be introduced by regulation. Most of the new roles (e.g. HNTAS assessors, HNTAS coordinators, etc) will result from the new regulatory obligations to track the compliance of networks with technical standards through HNTAS.

We are looking for a supplier, or consortium of suppliers with experience of accrediting and delivering heat network training. This will involve developing and accrediting approximately 10 HNTAS training courses by the end of March 2025, and delivering them into Autumn 2025.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £200,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 71356000 - Technical services
- 80500000 - Training services
- 80531000 - Industrial and technical training services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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Please complete the short questionnaire provided on Jagger tool:

<https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jagger.com/esop/guest/go/opportunity/detail?opportunityId=58652>

and return it via the Jaggaer tool. Detailed document of the pre-market engagement process is described in the opportunity listing on Jaggaer tool:

<https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/esop/guest/go/opportunity/detail?opportunityId=58652>

Timeline (all dates are indicative only and subject to review)

Tender release – 7th October 2024

Tender deadline – 1 month after release – November 2024

Assessment – 3 weeks following tender close

Standstill period – December 2024

Contract Award – December 2024

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

<https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/esop/guest/go/opportunity/detail?opportunityId=58652>

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

7 October 2024

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### **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

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

The Department for Energy Security and Net Zero uses the Jaggaer eSourcing Portal as its eSourcing tool. Jaggaer will be used for this competition. To register as a supplier, please visit <https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/> and follow the instructions to register as a supplier.

Please note that, to register, you must have a valid DUNS number (as provided by Dun and Bradstreet) for the organisation which you are registering, who will be entering into a contract if invited to do so.

Please confirm interest in the above opportunity and complete the PIN and Expression of Interest questionnaire attached to the Opportunity on Jaggaer Portal:  
<https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/esop/guest/go/opportunity/detail?opportunityId=58652> by the deadline date of 5pm GMT on 2nd October 2024.

Please note contract approach communicated in the PIN is still subject to change.