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## **PS22408 - Mobilising Local Net Zero Investments - Diverse Solutions for Diverse Places - RFP**

UK Research and Innovation (UKRI)

F02: Contract notice

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

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

UK Research and Innovation (UKRI)

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United Kingdom

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UKK14 - Swindon

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.ukpbs.co.uk](http://www.ukpbs.co.uk)

**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://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Research

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

PS22408 - Mobilising Local Net Zero Investments - Diverse Solutions for Diverse Places - RFP

Reference number

PS22290

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

- 79310000 - Market research services

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

Services

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

UK Shared Business Services (UK SBS), on behalf of the UK Research and Innovation (UKRI), wishes to establish a Contract for the provision: Mobilising Local Net Zero Investments - Diverse Solutions for Diverse Places

UK SBS is managing this procurement process in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as may be amended from time to time) (the "Regulations").

The aim of this research is to explore to what extent local authorities outside of core cities and combined authorities could pursue an accelerated pathway to securing finance for their net zero projects while large scale solutions are in development.

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

Value excluding VAT: £300,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 79310000 - Market research services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

The aim of this research is to explore to what extent local authorities outside of core cities and combined authorities could pursue an accelerated pathway to securing finance for their net zero projects while large scale solutions are in development.

The objectives are:

- To understand the needs of local authorities outside of CC's and CA's when it comes to the development and financial structuring of their cross-sector net zero portfolios via PFER's portfolio of SLES projects
- Assess whether, and to what extent, these needs differ to those of CC's and CA's and if so, what financial solutions, support and innovation may be required to ensure they have adequate access to finance for their net zero projects
- Build on the SLES investor panel work to understand
  - o what kind of financial framework/structuring could prevent investor cherry-picking and enable whole-system value to be achieved
  - o what level of project standardisation is required/possible to achieve strong levels of investability across a place-based portfolio using SLES as an example
- Identify suitable funding models and assess whether they lend themselves to a particular set of either place-based or project characteristics that might allow the development of a more diverse set of (archetypal) local net zero funding solutions
- Better understand potential market failures around financing place-based net zero projects which could be addressed by future programmes
- Support and inform emerging solutions under development by BEIS, 3Ci and UKIB
- Provide direct support to PFER projects in enhancing their understanding of optimum ways to finance their SLES

How to Apply

UK Shared Business Services Ltd (UK SBS) will be using the Jaggaer eSourcing Portal for this procurement.

To register on the Jaggaer eSourcing portal please use the link <https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/> and follow the instructions to register as a supplier.

If you are already registered on the Jaggaer eSourcing Portal and wish to participate in this procurement, please use the link: <https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/>.

Once you are logged into the system you will be able to locate the Procurement you wish to leave a bid on by clicking the ITTs Open to All Suppliers and searching for the reference number PS22408.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: PROJ1.1 - Approach / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: PROJ1.2 - Staff to Deliver / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: PROJ1.3 - Understanding the Project Environment / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: PROJ1.4 - Project Plan and Timescales / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 20

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £300,000

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Start date

4 January 2023

End date

31 May 2023

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: 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

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### **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

#### **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**

Date

12 December 2022

Local time

10:00am

#### **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: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

12 December 2022

Local time

11:00am

Place

Electronically

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

### **VI.3) Additional information**

All submissions will be assessed in accordance with the Public Procurement Regulations that apply to this opportunity.

Responses must be received by the date and time in the tender documentation; responses received outside of the deadline or not sent via the Jaggaer eSourcing portal will not be accepted or considered by the Contracting Authority further for this opportunity, unless a system outage is experienced, to which the Contracting Authority will advise upon accordingly. Interested organisations should ensure that they allow a sufficiency of time, prior to the deadline to allow all sections to be completed in full and any attachments to be uploaded.

As a user of the Jaggaer eSourcing Portal you will have access to the Jaggaer messaging service which facilitates all messages sent to you and from you, as well as other messages and updates in relation to any specific tender event. Please note that any and all information secured outside of the messaging service, shall have no Legal Standing, merit or worth and should not be relied upon by any organisation submitting a tender response.

Please note it is your organisations responsibility to access these messages on a regular basis to ensure you have sight of all relevant information applicable to this opportunity.

The Contracting Authority expressly reserves the right:

i. not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice; and

ii. to make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the procurement; and under no circumstances as part of your organisations participation in this opportunity, will the Contracting Authority be liable for any costs incurred by any organisation as a result. If the Contracting Authority decides to enter into a contract with any successful organisation(s), this does not mean that there is any guarantee of subsequent contracts being awarded. Any expenditure, work or effort undertaken prior to contract award is accordingly a matter solely for the commercial judgement of your organisation in doing so.

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Where UK SBS is not named as the Contracting Authority within the documentation, UK SBS will be acting as an agent on behalf of the Contracting Authority.

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For full details of our partner base please review the following link:

<http://www.ukpbs.co.uk/services/procure/contracts/Pages/default.aspx>

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

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

UK Shared Business Services

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**VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

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