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Innovation to De-Carbonise Agricultural Communities while Optimising Rural Grids Challenge

Cyngor Sir Ceredigion County Council

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UKL1 - West Wales and the Valleys

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Main address

<http://www.ceredigion.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0491

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://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/go/08701525019363BABE2C>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/go/08701525019363BABE2C>

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Innovation to De-Carbonise Agricultural Communities while Optimising Rural Grids Challenge

Reference number

itt_114308

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

This Challenge funding competition is part of the first cycle of a Small Business Research Initiative (SBRI or Contracts for Innovation) programme funded by the Welsh Government Smart Living, known as the Whole Systems Research & Innovation for Decarbonisation (WSRID) SBRI 1.0 Challenge.

This Challenge is to find a solution to managing the demand on rural grids in more innovative ways could help to reduce the cost of grid infrastructure and facilitate energy transition to net zero.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 71314300 - Energy-efficiency consultancy services
- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services
- 73210000 - Research consultancy services
- 90713000 - Environmental issues consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL1 - West Wales and the Valleys

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Ceredigion County Council is undertaking a SBRI type procurement exercise for this requirement.

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical Project Summary / Weighting: 18.75

Quality criterion - Name: Innovation & Intellectual Property / Weighting: 12.5

Quality criterion - Name: Project Plan & Methodology / Weighting: 18.75

Quality criterion - Name: Technical & Team Expertise / Weighting: 12.5

Quality criterion - Name: Plan for Commercialisation / Weighting: 6.25

Quality criterion - Name: Proposed Idea\Technology / Weighting: 18.75

Price - Weighting: 12.5

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £600

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

Duration in months

3

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

There are separate contracts for Phase 1 and Phase 2, both covered under this Notice.

The funding for Phase 1 is GBP100k which is to be divided as necessary (unequally) between up to 4 projects. The contract for Phase 1 will terminate upon completion (31st March 2025).

Subject to projects being taken forward to Phase 2 and additional funding of up to GBP500k being secured, there will be a restricted bidding process between Phase 1 suppliers for the delivery of Phase 2.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2.14) Additional information

Please see contract documentation for full details.

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:

Notification of receipt of funding and the tight deadline for project delivery means there is not enough time to allow for conventional timescales.

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

11 December 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

English, Welsh

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Tender must be valid until: 11 June 2025

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

11 December 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

NOTE: The authority is using eTenderwales to carry out this procurement process. To obtain further information record your interest on Sell2Wales at

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/search_switch.aspx?ID=146303

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The buyer considers that this contract is suitable for consortia.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

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