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Tender

WCC & PC Validation, Verification and Surveying

Forestry and Land Scotland

F02: Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-038725

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04ea2d

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Forestry and Land Scotland

Great Glen House, Leachkin Road

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://forestryandland.gov.scot>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA30371

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.publictendersscotland.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.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

WCC & PC Validation, Verification and Surveying

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 90700000 - Environmental services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Forestry and Land Scotland has a requirement to place a Framework Agreement with external suppliers for the provision of validation and/or verification, by an approved body, of their pipeline of Woodland Carbon Code (WCC) and Peatland Code (PC) projects.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £315,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Peatland Code

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 90700000 - Environmental services

- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The provision of Peatland Code Validation and Verification Services.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £157,500

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

The Framework Agreement period will commence in January 2026 for an initial period of 24 months with the option to extend for a maximum of an additional two 12-month periods. The decision on whether to exercise the extension options available will be at the sole discretion of FLS.

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in Regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Woodland Carbon Code

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 90700000 - Environmental services
- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services

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NUTS codes

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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

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) are detailed in Schedule 1, Part B of the FLS-998 Framework Agreement Terms & Conditions Final document, which is one of the document attachments making up the tender pack within PCS-Tender.

III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2025/S 000-008233](#)

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

Date

20 August 2025

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: 4 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

20 August 2025

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: Roughly 9-months prior to the expiry of this framework agreement subject to extension periods being executed.

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

Scotland Excel is acting on behalf of Forestry and Land Scotland in the execution of this tender but will not be party to the contract or the management of the contract throughout its lifetime.

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 29384. For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343>

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The Inverness Justice Centre

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United Kingdom