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Tender

PS25158 - Eastern Europe Accelerator Programme - Round 2

UKRI

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Scope

Reference

PS25158

Description

The final date and time for the submission of bids is Tuesday, 7th October 2025 at 14:00

Below we have provided a high-level overview of the Scope of Services for this Contract. Due to the sensitivity of this work, the full tender information and documentation will only be provided to potential Bidders upon completion of the PS25158 - Eastern Europe Accelerator Programme - Round 2 - Not a Deed Agreement (NDA), which can be found in the attachments area.

If you are bidding as a consortium or shall be using sub-contractors all parties will need to complete and sign the NDA.

Completed NDAs must be emailed to ProfessionalServices@uksbs.co.uk where these will be countersigned, and your organisation will then be added into the main Jaggaer

procurement.

Brief Description of Requirement

Introduction

UK Shared Business Services (UKSBS), on behalf of the UK Research and Innovation through Innovate UK wishes to establish a contract for the provision of an International Accelerator Programme for the Energy Team. This will include support for both the UK companies and international partners.

Aims & Objectives

The aim of the accelerator programme is to provide commercialisation services to sit along side some of our overseas energy projects clustered in the eastern European region, ensuring the businesses taking part in the projects are commercially ready as well as technologically ready. Although the accelerator programme will be optional for our funded projects, we would expect most or all of the projects in this portfolio to take advantage of the support offered through the programme. The support will be a mixture of supporting fundamental programme requirements with all projects, 1 to 1 business support, connecting to the wider industry as well as communications activities.

There are four core objectives:

1. Provide core support to enable projects to achieve their project outputs in an ODA eligible country.
2. Provide business support to project leads to help them commercialise (no matter where they are in the world).
3. Engage with wider sector to help the organisations achieve their goals.
4. Provide communication and dissemination activities to demonstrate the meaningful impacts the programme is having.

We are hoping to achieve the following outputs:

- Organisations which have increased their commercial readiness.
- Technologies that are closer to market.
- A group of projects which feel like a cohort.
- Investment engagements with companies.

- Knowledge sharing between projects and the wider energy and government space.
- Promotion of Gender Equality and Social Inclusion.
- Impact which is disseminated globally.

Background to the Requirement

The Energy Access team at Innovate UK have funded a number of programmes within the ODA space. Its flagship programme, The Energy Catalyst, has committed over £200m of support helping companies to commercialise low carbon energy solutions in both the UK and in Africa and Asia. The team have recently expanded to look at technology specific areas such as diesel genset replacement. More information on these specific programmes can be found here:

- <https://energycatalyst.ukri.org/>
- <https://www.ze-gen.org/ze-gen/>

More recently we have started working with FCDO High Commissions in country to develop programmes specific for their needs and the portfolio to be supported through this work is the first output of this collaboration.

The programme is focussed on supporting regions with historically high reliance on fossil fuels and the programme will play a part in helping these economies to re-imagine their energy systems using the latest innovations supported through this work.

The aim of the programme is to accelerate the regional energy transition and ensure the resulting energy supply is low-carbon, affordable and secure.

The projects must:

- focus on the specific needs of the programme.
- be an innovative technology or business model that is low-carbon, affordable and secure.
- create energy resilience or build access to clean energy in the future.

Scope

The accelerator will support 13 projects for up to 28 months involving organisations predominantly in UK and Eastern Europe but with wider teams worldwide. The winning supplier must be able to support organisations no matter where they are located in the

world to ensure the programme is fully untied as required under UK ODA rules.

The duration of the agreement will be between December 2025 and March 2028 for a total period of 28 months. Due to the funding limitations, we are not able to extend the accelerator service beyond March 2028, and this should be considered a hard-stop date. This date also coincides with the end of the projects funded under this programme.

How to Apply

DO NOT apply directly to the buyer.

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

Once you have signed and returned the NDA, you will be then added to the project and will receive an email with a link to the ITT on Jaggaer.

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/>.

Please ensure you review all attached information to ensure a full understanding of this requirement. All attachments can be found with the Supplier Attachments tab within the Jaggaer eSourcing Portal.

This contract will be awarded based on the evaluation criteria as set out in the RFP document.

Total value (estimated)

- £833,333 excluding VAT
- £1,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 December 2025 to 31 March 2028
- 2 years, 4 months

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services
- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

25 September 2025, 2:00pm

Tender submission deadline

7 October 2025, 2:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

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

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

6 November 2025

Award criteria

| Name | Type | Weighting |
|-------------|-------------|------------------|
| Technical | Quality | 90% |
| Commercial | Price | 10% |

Other information

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Documents

Associated tender documents

[PS25158 - Eastern Europe Accelerator Programme - Round 2 - Non Disclosure Contract - Not a Deed.docx](#)

NDA

Contracting authority

UKRI

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDQJ-7126-JDHG

Polaris House

Swindon

SN2 1FL

United Kingdom

Email: Commercial@ukri.org

Region: UKK14 - Swindon

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Other organisation

These organisations are carrying out the procurement, or part of it, on behalf of the contracting authorities.

UKSBS

Summary of their role in this procurement: Buyer

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PMPN-7535-GNTG

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Contact organisation

Contact UKSBS for any enquiries.