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## **Statutory monitoring for Scottish Coastal Observatory site: Loch Ewe**

Scottish Government

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-05a10e

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

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

Scottish Government

Victoria Quay, The Shore

Edinburgh

EH6 6QQ

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#### **Telephone**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKM - Scotland

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10482](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10482)

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.3) Communication**

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**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**

Statutory monitoring for Scottish Coastal Observatory site: Loch Ewe

Reference number

CASE/693111

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

- 73110000 - Research services

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

Services

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

Marine Directorate require monitoring to be carried out in Loch Ewe. Detailed protocols from Marine Directorate will be provided which will describe the sampling methods in detail. These will need to be strictly followed to ensure that sample integrity is maintained.

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

Value excluding VAT: £180,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

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

The Scottish Government has a requirement to place a contract with an external service provider for the provision of Statutory monitoring for Scottish Coastal Observatory site: Loch Ewe.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Understanding and Delivery of Requirements / Weighting: 30%

Quality criterion - Name: Staff Competence, Knowledge and Experience / Weighting: 25%

Quality criterion - Name: Contract Management / Weighting: 15%

Quality criterion - Name: Health & Safety & Risk Management / Weighting: 15%

Quality criterion - Name: Corporate & Social Responsibilities / Weighting: 10%

Quality criterion - Name: Fair Work First / Weighting: 5%

Price - Weighting: 30

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

Start date

1 April 2026

End date

31 March 2029

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Optional 12 month extension

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: Yes

#### **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.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

List and brief description of selection criteria

This section covers questions 4B1-6 of the SPD (Scotland).

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

4B1a: Bidders will be required to have a minimum "specific" yearly turnover of 50,000 GBP for the last two years.

In the event that the Bidder does not comply with this requirement, they will not be considered any further in this tendering exercise.

As evidence for the SPD (Scotland) question 4B1a, the Procurement Officer may ask for annual accounts from the bidder.

4B5: It is a requirement of this contract that bidders hold or can commit to obtain prior to the commencement of any subsequently awarded contract, the types of insurance indicated below:

Employers (Compulsory) Liability Insurance = In accordance with the legal obligation for the time being enforced.

Public Liability Insurance = 1 Million GBP

4B6: Bidders must demonstrate a Current Ratio of greater than 0.8.

Current Ratio will be calculated as follows: net current assets divided by net current liabilities.

Please state whether you have applied IFRS15 to your accounts.

There must be no qualification or contra-indication from any evidence provided in support of the bidders economic and financial standing.

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

List and brief description of selection criteria

Details of technical facilities, measures for ensuring quality and quality management

procedures.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

Minimum level(s) of standards required:

4C1.2: Bidders will be required to provide three examples over the last five years that demonstrate that they have the relevant experience to deliver the services/supplies as described in the Contract Notice or the relevant section of the site notice.

4C2: Bidders will be required to provide details of the technicians or technical bodies the bidder can call upon in relation to this procurement exercise.

4C3a: Bidders will be required to provide details of the technical facilities and measures for ensuring quality.

4C7: Bidders will be required to confirm what environmental management measures they will employ.

4C9: Bidders should provide details of relevant tools, plant or technical equipment available to you in relation to this procurement exercise.

4C10: Bidders will be required to confirm that whether they intend to subcontract and if so, for what proportion of the contract.

### Quality Management Procedures

1. The bidder must hold a UKAS (or equivalent) accredited independent third party certificate of compliance in accordance with BS EN ISO 9001 (or equivalent).

OR

2. The bidder must have the following:

A documented policy regarding quality management. The policy must set out the responsibilities for quality management demonstrating that the bidder has and continues to implement a quality management policy that is authorised by their Chief Executive, or equivalent, and is periodically reviewed at a senior management level. The policy must be relevant to the nature and scale of the work to be undertaken and set out responsibilities for quality management throughout the organisation.

## **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

### **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

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## **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

24 October 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: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date

24 October 2025

Local time

12:30pm

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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 payment will be used

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

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

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

Sheriff Court House

27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

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Country

United Kingdom