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Aberdeen Geothermal Feasibility Project - University of Aberdeen

University of Aberdeen

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-05f9df

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

University of Aberdeen

University Office, King's College

Aberdeen

AB24 3FX

Email

e-sourcing@abdn.ac.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM50 - Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.abdn.ac.uk/procurement>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00102

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/esop/pts-host/public/pts/web/login.html>

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/esop/pts-host/public/pts/web/login.html>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Aberdeen Geothermal Feasibility Project - University of Aberdeen

Reference number

AU25/18

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 76300000 - Drilling services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This Invitation to Tender (ITT) invites qualified contractors to provide services for the technical project management, drilling, logging, fibre?optic instrumentation, and optional testing of a geothermal research borehole (>500-1000 m) at the University of Aberdeen campus as part of the Aberdeen Geothermal Feasibility Pilot (AGFP).

The aim of this project is to safely drill and complete a deep borehole on the University of Aberdeen campus to a minimum depth of 500 m, and to extend as deep as safely achievable within site and budget constraints, with the option of a second shallow monitoring well. The borehole(s) will provide a long-term research platform for geothermal, geological, petrophysical, hydrological, and geophysical investigations. The deep borehole will be equipped with a Distributed Temperature Sensing (DTS) and Distributed Acoustic Sensing (DAS) systems and a mechanism for groundwater sampling, flow and recharge testing, allowing long-term monitoring and characterisation of subsurface thermal, geophysical and hydrological behaviour.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description**II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 76300000 - Drilling services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM50 - Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 90

Price - Weighting: 10

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £400,000

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

Duration in months

4

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

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

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

19 January 2026

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

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

19 January 2026

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

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 30830.
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

Aberdeen Sheriff Court

Aberdeen

Country

United Kingdom