

## **PS25001 - Scientific Research and Advice for Government Dynamic Purchasing System**

### **Description**

The Department for Science Innovation and Technology will shortly be going to market for the Services detailed below.

Prior to this procurement being launched, we want to provide interested suppliers with the indicative scope, and where interested, the opportunity to provide responses to the questions contained within the supporting attachment which will help to ensure that our specification contains all necessary detail to allow bidders to respond.

### **Background**

The Department for Science, Innovation and Technology (DSIT) works to accelerate innovation, investment and productivity through world-class science, ensure that new and existing technologies are safely developed and deployed across the UK and drive forward a modern digital government for the benefit of its citizens.

These goals, like many of the shared goals of government, requires robust scientific research and advice to enable greater evidence-based decision-making.

Therefore, DSIT is proposing a new Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) for government to more effectively procure a range of scientific services from specialist suppliers. The intention is to allow policy teams working across government departments and Arms-Length Bodies (ALBs) the opportunity to access cutting-edge research, scientific advice and services from relevant experts to support delivery of government aims.

We are seeking engagement from expert science organisations with the in-house laboratory capability to design, conduct and disseminate scientific research projects for government departments. These projects may be highly diverse but should directly support government policy and decision-making through producing scientific evidence, with the goal of improving the evidence base that policy teams throughout government rely on, leading to greater opportunities to maximise societal benefits across the UK.

Suppliers may be commissioned to undertake scientific reviews, design and carry out experiments, or provide expert/technical advice on specific policy options for use by the public sector. We anticipate projects will be available across a wide variety of scientific and technological fields.

### **Procurement Timescales**

Below are the indicative timescales that we are working towards for the launch and award of this DPS:

Supplier engagement period – 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2025 – 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025

DPS tender launch – 17<sup>th</sup> February 2025

DPS tender deadline – 24<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Bid evaluation period – 24<sup>th</sup> March 2025 – 16<sup>th</sup> April 2025

DPS live – 12<sup>th</sup> May 2025

**Budget and Term:**

The DPS is being advertised with a value of £9 Million available across the full term.

The DPS will naturally end on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2029 unless the advertised value is reached first.

**DPS Availability**

As detailed in the notice description, whilst this DPS is being created for DSIT, the intention is to allow policy teams working across government departments and Arms-Length Bodies (ALBs) the opportunity to access cutting-edge research, scientific advice and services from relevant experts to support delivery of government aims.

A full list of the Government Departments and Arms-Length Bodies that will be able to access this DPS can be found at: [Departments, agencies and public bodies - GOV.UK](#)

**Further Information**

If you are interested in this opportunity and would like further information, please send any questions to [ProfessionalServices@uksbs.co.uk](mailto:ProfessionalServices@uksbs.co.uk) quoting 'PS25001 – PIN' in the title.