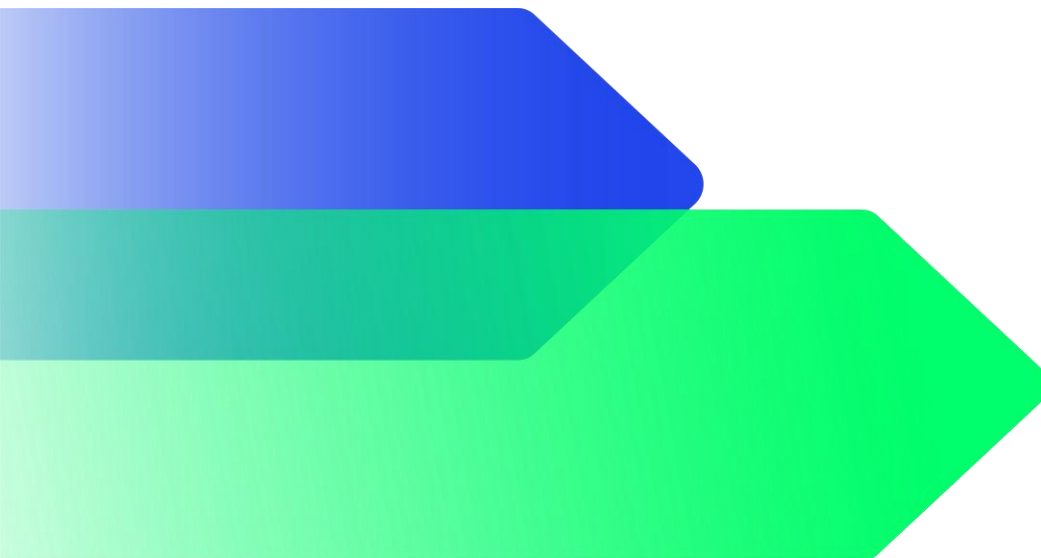


OFFSHORE WIND ACCELERATOR S4Y5

Clarification Question Responses

TWG-F – Thickness Effect of Circumferential Welds
in Tubulars (TCWT)

03.06.2025



#	Type	Question	Response
1	Project specific	Two welding processes are described in WP3. Should samples be produced by both welding processes or is it at the discretion of the applicant to choose one or two processes?	Both welding processes have been put forward and it is at the discretion of the bidder which welding process(es) to use for the samples. However, there is a slight preference for the Submerged Arc Welding (SAW) process.
2	Project specific	The test program does not specify details of the test procedure, like load ratio. Does it mean that there is no preference or that it is the responsibility of the applicant to propose the testing conditions?	We would like the bidder to put forward a proposal for the testing conditions in their bid submission.
3	General	In section 4.3, it refers to external advisers. We assume that the external advisers are chosen and contracted by the OWA and it is not part of the scope of the applicants. Could you confirm?	It is not part of the bidder's scope to seek these advisors. The external advisors are appointed by the Carbon Trust/OWA. Nonetheless, we are happy to accept bid submissions from either an individual bidder or a consortium.
4	General	Is the suggested budget of £140k-159k intended to cover all work packages (base scope WP1, WP2, WPA and optional WP3, WP4, WP5), or only the base scope work packages (WP1, WP2, WPA)?	The budget in section 6 of the ITT document is intended to cover all work packages (WP1, WP2, WP3, WP4, WP5, WPA and WPB).
5	General	According to the Description of Tender there are optional activities in WP3, WP4 and WP5 that can be defined and activated after WP1 and WP2 completion. Should the costs also include the optional activities (i.e. WP3, 4 and 5) or should we offer for the WP1 and WP2 at this stage and postpone the quotation of WP3, WP4 and WP5 when the testing program is defined?	The budget in section 6 of the ITT document is intended to cover all work packages (WP1, WP2, WP3, WP4, WP5, WPA and WPB). Please provide a price for all work packages (WP1–WP5 and WPA and WPB) in the bid price calculation sheet as part of your bid submission.

6	General	Since the testing programme will be defined in WP2 during the project, it would be possible to quote the testing activity as cost per single test and define later the detailed testing programme during WP2?	<p>It is fine to provide a cost per test, however, please provide a full cost estimate for the number of samples you would propose to test within the budget.</p> <p>We would like to understand how many tests the bidder would propose and how many are feasible within the budget. We would like to see a cost per work package in the bid price sheet.</p>
7	General	Shall the applicant have to consider also the costs for material procurement and welding activities or will the welded samples be provided by an OWA Partner to the applicant?	<p>Costs for materials and welding should be included within your bid price.</p> <p>Please include all costs related to materials in the Equipment/Materials section of the Bid Price Calculation Sheet.</p>
8	General	If the applicant must consider the costs for the material procurement and welding activities, is it possible to report the costs per single combination of parameters of the joint to be fabricated (one welding technique, one joint geometry, etc.)?	<p>Costs for materials and welding should be included within your bid price.</p> <p>We would like to understand the full cost for each work package, so we would like bidders to propose what tests they would undertake, the parameters and what is feasible to test within the budget.</p>
9	General	Concerning the Bid Price Calculation Sheet (xls) – template provided, should the laboratory test costs and external provider costs be inserted in the Equipment/Material table?	Yes, please include costs related to laboratory equipment and materials in the Equipment/Materials section of the Bid Price Calculation Sheet.
10	General	Concerning the Bid Price Calculation Sheet (xls) – template provided, should the costs be inserted excluding any Tax to be eventually applied?	The bid price submitted should be excluding tax, e.g. excluding VAT.

11 General

In order to be able to prepare our best proposal, would it be possible to postpone the deadline of the tender?

No, unfortunately we are not able to postpone the deadline for bid submissions.

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