

OFFSHORE WIND ACCELERATOR S4Y6

Clarification Question Responses

TWG-C – HangMan

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#	Type	Question	Response
1	Project specific	Please clarify what range of cable trenching techniques the assessments should be applicable to (e.g. Jetting, Plough, Mechanical Trenching, etc).	Ideally, the assessment should be applicable to all trenching techniques, but any limitations of the study should be stated in the proposal by the tenderer which will then be considered by TWG-C.
2	Generic	Please clarify which cable engineering assessments it is anticipated that the method(s) should provide input data to inform.	As a minimum the method should inform CBRA, Burial Assessment and both short and long term on-bottom stability. The proposal by the tenderer should include any limitations or additional methods.
3		Please confirm expectations on approximate number of stakeholders to be invited for engagement in connection with WP3 & WP5.	In total, a minimum of 6 stakeholders should be invited for engagement. At minimum, 1 certification authority, 1 national consenting authority, 3 cable installation contractors, and another stakeholder. The bidder should specify the stakeholder groups that will be invited and whether the bidder has existing relationships with these stakeholders.
4		The scope seems to focus on trenching and burial aspects, related to the installation assessment. Would Carbon Trust also want to include an assessment of thermal CPTs in the scope, which is critical for in-place cable design?	No.
5		The documentation states that this workshop is carried out by the Cables Technical Working Group (TWG-C) and Carbon Trust. We understand that the TWG-C and Carbon Trust will support the organization of the workshop, but that the Contractor remains responsible for both deliverables D1.1 and D1.2. Could you please confirm if this is correct?	No. The Carbon Trust and TWG-C will be responsible for D1.1, D1.2, and D1.3. The contractor's time will be required to attend the D1.3 presentation and review feedback from the workshop.
6		At this stage, do you know what type and amount of data will be made available by the Technical Working Group?	The amount of data will be confirmed during WP1 workshop meeting. The intention is that data will be for 3 sites, covering a range of typical ground conditions (e.g. sand, soft clay, stiff clay).

Will the data relate to a single site, or multiple sites? And will it only cover the North Sea, or extend to other regions as well?

Both in-situ and laboratory test results are expected. If the respective projects have already been commissioned, will feedback from the installation phase be shared as well?

Currently, we have assumed that SI data provided would include CPT data for testing new method, sampling logs and lab data to compare performance of new CPT based method(s) to existing lab-based method(s). It would be helpful if the tenderer states what types of lab data, they require to carry out assessments to existing methods.

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