

OFFSHORE WIND ACCELERATOR S4Y3

Clarification Question Responses

TWG-F – Study of Corrosion Protection and Corrosion Management
Strategy (SoCP)

June 2022



#	Type	Question	Response
1	Project Specific	The ITT describes that the tender is related to the OWA research area Foundations. Our understanding is that this includes both bottom fixed and floating main loadbearing structures, that the main focus is on steel structures (not concrete structures), and that mooring systems (where applicable) and turbine structures are excluded from the scope of work. Please can you confirm whether this understanding is correct, and specify battery limits as and if required.	The focus of this project is on fixed bottom structures, such as monopiles and jackets, and floating structures may also be considered. It is not intended for mooring systems or turbine structures to be studied as part of this project.
2	Project Specific	The ITT describes that the TWG Foundations will supervise the Project, provide technical direction and guidance to the Contractor (where needed) and review the project deliverables, findings and other outcomes. Please can you confirm that experience from the members of the OWA can be made available to the project team through, for example, interviews and working meetings.	<p>The TWG-F will provide feedback on project deliverables and presentations. Feedback is given via comments on the deliverable reports when they are submitted and also during the Contractor's presentations at TWG-F meetings. These TWG-F meetings usually take place every six to eight weeks and the Contractor would have the opportunity to present a project update which is usually followed by a question-and-answer session.</p> <p>TWG-F members are keen to support OWA projects so additional interviews, working meetings and feedback, whilst not guaranteed, could be arranged if value is to be added to the project. This can be dependent upon the nature of the discussion and if information sharing is possible.</p>

<p>3</p> <p>General</p>	<p>The assumption of the bidder is that all meetings with the OWA TWG-F will be held remotely via Teams/Skype. Please advise if some meetings in presence shall be considered to allow for the calculation of Bid Price.</p>	<p>The regular meetings between the Contractor and Carbon Trust will take place virtually via Microsoft Teams.</p> <p>The Contractor would be expected to give a presentation on the project's progress at Technical Working Group (TWG-F) meetings which involve Carbon Trust and OWA TWG-F partner representatives. These TWG-F meetings usually take place every six to eight weeks.</p> <p>Recently these TWG-F presentations have all been held remotely/virtually due to the Covid-19 pandemic. In the future it is expected that some meetings will be held virtually while others will be held in person/using a hybrid approach. It will not be mandatory to attend every meeting/presentation in person.</p> <p>Expenses incurred as part of in-person meetings should be allowed for as part of the Expenses work package, please refer to section 4.0 in the ITT document.</p>
<p>4</p> <p>Project Specific</p>	<p>Considering the extent of the scope of work, the bidder is likely to cooperate with one or more entities for some parts of the project (specifically laboratory tests execution). Please confirm if sub-contracting activities, with the bidder as main contractor is an acceptable model for delivering the work. Alternatively, the creation of a consortium could be evaluated (with the bidder being the main Project Coordinator). Please clarify if there is a preference to this extent (sub-contracting vs consortium), and if this could have an effect on the evaluation criteria.</p>	<p>Carbon Trust will enter into contract with the Lead Participant (Project Coordinator), in the case where a bid is submitted by a consortium (composed of a Lead Participant with group of sub-contractors). The Project Coordinator would then manage their own sub-contracts with the other consortium companies. Please refer to section 4.5 of the ITT document.</p> <p>We do not have a preference for either a single bidder or a consortium. The Project Coordinator should decide what skills and expertise are necessary to deliver the project and decide if additional partners are needed to deliver the work.</p>

5	Project Specific	<p>WP2 and WP3: the range of possible tests is quite wide, starting from small-scale laboratory testing, through pool/tanks testing and up to on-site (full scale) ones. Within the budget expressed in the tender description, please clarify whether the OWA TWG has some expectations in relation to the scale of the tests.</p>	<p>The OWA TWG-F welcomes proposals from bidders as to what is feasible within the given budget whilst adding best value/data to the project. The bidder should propose what would add most value for the OWA partners.</p>
6	Project Specific	<p>WP4: please clarify what parts/components need to be considered in the atmospheric zone. Are the nacelle, rotor and blades included?</p>	<p>It is not expected that the nacelle, rotor and blades should be studied within this scope.</p>
7	Project Specific	<p>Regarding the approach to work and engagement of stakeholders, is the bidder expected to provide a specific list of stakeholders, apart from relevant OWA TWG, at the proposal stage?</p>	<p>Identifying a list of potential stakeholders whom the bidder wishes to engage with, or some form of agreement from potential stakeholders to participate/support the project would be welcomed by the OWA TWG-F.</p>

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