

Monopile and Transition Piece Connection Types for Future Wind Turbine Generators- Clarification Questions and Responses

<p>1 Invitation to Tender – Section 3</p>	<p>Can non-UK partners bid or join consortiums or is the funding limited to companies who are registered in the UK?</p>	<p>There are no such restrictions on the contractors who can bid for this project. We accept UK only, non-UK only and UK, non-UK combined tenders equally. This will not affect the scoring.</p>
<p>2 Invitation to Tender – Section 3</p>	<p>Are there are any restrictions on consortium participants?</p>	<p>There are no restrictions in terms of who you can/should partner with. We advise though that you ensure that your partners do not compromise the impartiality of your approach to work.</p>
<p>3 Invitation to Tender – Section 4</p>	<p>Are bidders free to approach providers of new innovative MP-TP connections to provide (additional) input on their solutions once awarded the contract?</p>	<p>As referred to in the scope, stakeholder engagement is needed for this project. Therefore, we encourage you to include innovator engagement in your tender. We will not be able to provide any extra budget for this engagement and it will not necessarily be possible to share any project results with organisations outside of the consortium arrangement (agreement for this is given by the TWG on a case-by-case basis). Anticipated benefits to innovators include presentation of their concept to leading OSW developers and possible access to findings relating to their own concept.</p>
<p>4 Invitation to Tender – Section 3</p>	<p>Are applications from companies with engineering capability and a proposed solution welcome or is this considered a conflict of interest?</p>	<p>See answer to question 2.</p>
<p>5 Invitation to Tender – Section 4</p>	<p>Results of recent research program for the bolted flange connection by Carbon trust are not yet in the public domain. Would the Carbon trust be prepared to make the reports for this research available for this review?</p>	<p>Ideally the consortium partners will hold enough knowledge or have the sources and research capacity to be able to complete each work package. Sharing the results of previous projects is agreed by the TWG on a case by case basis and is not guaranteed. If presented with a case and specific reasoning it could be considered but it should not be relied upon in the tendering phase.</p>



<p>6 Invitation to Tender – Section 4</p>	<p>Whilst the result and use in this project will be owned by CT, we would be looking to have the IP rights to certain innovative/novel design concepts developed inhouse prior to this study.</p>	<p>Inclusion of a concept or design in the results of this project is not perceived as a transfer of IP.</p>
<p>7 Contractors Conditions</p>	<p>Art. 19.2 (...) employer’s liability. Would the Carbon Trust accept lower insurance levels?</p>	<p>As per our Form of Tender, we strongly encourage applicants to accept the terms and conditions contained within the ITT (including the OWA Contractors’ Conditions) and agree that they shall constitute the terms and conditions of the Contract. However, this particular aspect can be discussed upon awarding of the project – applicants should make it clear in their bid if they are unable to meet this or any other requirement.</p>
<p>8 Contractors Conditions</p>	<p>Art. 20.2 (...) limited to GBP 1,000,000. Would the Carbon Trust accept to limit the liability to 100% of the contract value?</p>	<p>As per our Form of Tender, we strongly encourage applicants to accept the terms and conditions contained within the ITT (including the OWA Contractors’ Conditions) and agree that they shall constitute the terms and conditions of the Contract. Applicants should make it clear in their bid if they are unable to meet this requirement. The limit can be discussed upon awarding of the project but we will not accept reducing it to contract value.</p>