

## OFTO Tender Round 9 Launch Webinar: Q&A

### Questions and answers

This is a summary of the questions posed and the answers given in the Webinar.

Question	Answer
When is the updated cost assessment guidance going to be published?	Ofgem: we aim to have this available by the end of this month.
Will you be able to share a rough timetable for future tender rounds and historical tender processes?	Ofgem: the developers drive the timelines. Try to have more than one asset in a tender round. Noted TR10 likely to be coming at the end of 2022.
Is there a provision for indexation in the TRS?	Ofgem: yes, can apply up to 100% indexation using CPI.
How do you see the OFTO regime changing to allow the production of hydrogen from Offshore wind?	Ofgem: OFTO regime agnostic to what is being transmitted. Looking at all forms of renewable energy that can support the govts renewable energy targets. BEIS will be at forefront of taking this forwards.
How will the regime deal with offshore power grids if that comes into play?	Ofgem: encourage anyone interested in this to engage in the BEIS consultation on this to assert their views. The details of how this will work is at an early stage. Best to interact with Ofgem and BEIS to put forward their views.
Does the fact that the asset is located in Scottish waters affect any aspects of the licence and the legal framework which it operates under relative to OFTOS in English waters?	Ofgem: from a licencing perspective then no difference, but Seagreen may like to respond on legally.
What is the status of the crossing agreements the project requires?	Seagreen: they are largely in place, expectation is the right will be transferred to OFTO at end of process.

<p>Has any decision been made with regard to provision of O&amp;M service by the developer to future OFTO?</p>	<p>Seagreen: no plans yet to make a full wrap offering, but more towards Seagreen making a discreet offering. Something that will be clarified further at ITT stage.</p>
<p>Could you please remind the award criteria in the OFTO tender? Is it prize-only? Remember there have been some consultations to introduce other criteria.</p>	<p>Ofgem: there are a series of questions that require bidders to pass (at a threshold)...this is on a pass/fail basis still. Provided you pass each section, will then look at the price. The lowest priced bidder wins.</p>
<p>Can you say which projects will be in round 10?</p>	<p>Ofgem: we are driven by developer project timings, so at this stage we are unable to advise.</p>