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## Tender Round 12 (TR12) Enhanced Pre-Qualification (EPQ) Shortlist Notice

### Three Bidders shortlisted in tender for Sofia transmission link

The following have been shortlisted to participate in the Invitation to Tender (**ITT**) Stage of the Sofia OFTO tender process:

- Diamond Transmission Partners (**DTP**)
- EKITD Consortium (**EKITD**)
- Transmission Capital Partners (**TCP**)

This link is being tendered under the twelfth round of the Offshore Transmission Owner (**OFTO**) regime. Sofia has an estimated value of £1.3bn and will connect 1.3GW of generation capacity.

This shortlist demonstrates a continuance of effective competition in the market to own and operate OFTO links, helping to keep costs low for consumers. These bidders will now go through to the final ITT Stage, which is due to commence in late-2025. Following successful completion of the tender process, Ofgem will appoint an OFTO for this link. The OFTO will receive a guaranteed revenue stream under the terms of their licence, subject to the availability of their assets.

Ofgem will announce the details of the preferred bidder for this project at the completion of the ITT evaluation stage.

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The Bidder Groups referred to above consist of the following:

- DTP is formed by Diamond Transmission UK Limited.
- EKITD is a consortium formed of Equitix Investment Management Limited, Kyuden International Corporation and Kyuden T&D Global CO, INC.
- TCP is a consortium formed of International Public Partnerships Limited and Transmission Capital Partners Limited Partnership.

Also, see the Ofgem website for further information.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/energy-policy-and-regulation/policy-and-regulatory-programmes/offshore-electricity-transmission-ofto>