LONDON DEVELOPMENT DATABASE

Automating the London Development Database – Call for Collaborators

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The Opportunity

Summary

Future Cities Catapult is seeking a partner to develop a response to the tender likely to be put out by the Greater London Authority to develop an Alpha version of an automated London Development Database.

The Greater London Authority were [successful in bidding for funding from the MHCLG Local Digital Fund](1) for a project that seeks to "prove the concept of automating the flow of planning application data from applicant through the LPA, to the regional authority and out to the public in order to collect more and better information". As part of this project the GLA state that it will "Look to the market….to develop a suitable 'alpha' database to collect and process the data into an analyzable format.

Bid Concept

Future Cities Catapult wishes to work with a data and software company capable of building an alpha version of a development database, to submit a response to any relevant tender from the GLA. Future Cities Catapult will bring our deep domain expertise in digital planning and is looking for a company with expertise in integrating systems particularly with Idox, Tuscomi and Northgate.

Partners Capabilities Sought

Future Cities Catapult has in-house expertise in a number of areas relevant to this proposal but is seeking to augment these with a partner with capabilities in the following areas -

- Geospatial Data Science
- Data and software architecture
- Software development
- Systems integration and testing

[1] https://localdigital.gov.uk/funding/greater-london-authority/

About The London Development Database

The Greater London Authority created the London Development database as a collaborative project that brings together planning data across London from all London Boroughs into one centralised database. In 2018, the GLA officially launched the LDD Automation Project which seeks to streamline planning application data from collection through to visualisation and dissemination. The project seeks to turn this data live and make it accessible for everyone by 2020. You can read more about this here: https://www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/planning/london-plan/london-development-database

Registering Your Interest

Future Cities Catapult are currently seeking to partner with organisations that are interested in the Bid concept, have the capabilities outlined above and are interested in joining a consortia led by Future Cities Catapult.

Future Cities Catapult are undertaking a formal process of selection for interested organisations. All organisations interested in joining the consortia are requested to register their interest by emailing Nathan Whittaker at nwhittaker@futurecities.catapult.org.uk with the following:

- Two examples of recent, previous work which demonstrates the organisation's capability in providing the services required within this project. Including explanation of the work carried out and the outcome and achievements of the project (Maximum ½ page per example)
- An explanation of your understanding of the bid concept which will be required for tender likely to be issued by the Greater London Authority shortly to develop an Alpha version of an automated London Development Database (Maximum ½ page)

Submission of the above information will be considered an expression of your organisation's interest to join the consortia. All registrations of

interest must be submitted by email by **Thursday 28th February 2019**. The submissions will be reviewed by Future Cities Catapult based on experience, capability and suitability and you will receive a response on the outcome of your submission by no later than **March 4th 2019.**

Any queries about this call for collaborators should be addressed to emills@futurecities.catapult.org.uk

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