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Planning

## **Industrial Decarbonisation Research Programme (IDRP)**

Department for Energy Security & Net Zero

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### **Scope**

### **Description**

DESNZ is seeking to procure a consortium to deliver a research programme to build the policy-relevant evidence base for decarbonisation of the industrial sector and carbon management. The research will be spread across four main work packages on: 1. Industrial Fuel switching including electrification and alternative fuels 2. Resource and energy efficiency in industry 3. Carbon Capture, Utilisation and Storage and engineered Greenhouse Gas Removals 4. Lifecycle Assessment methods and applications in industry Additional work packages will include a flexible fund to respond to emerging evidence needs, a data and stakeholder engagement work package underpinning the entire programme and additional stand-alone projects. The programme will focus on building the required evidence base, translating existing evidence alongside new analysis and data collection and modelling to support decision-making in industrial decarbonisation. Alongside this, a dissemination, knowledge transfer and policy translation role will be necessary to maximise impact of the research. The programme will require expertise on a number of industrial sectors, decarbonisation measures, technology sustainability and cost assessment, interactions with other sectors and supply chains and understanding of policy contexts. Methods to be employed will include literature reviews, quantitative and qualitative data collection, stakeholder engagement and interviews, modelling and analysis skills, project management and dissemination as well as policy analysis. We expect a consortium of suppliers to be the most likely optimal delivery body for this

research due to the breadth of topics and skills. Outputs will likely include reports, data and models, decision support tools, case studies, teach-ins, and on-call briefings and scientific support. The research

and outputs will be co-designed with policy stakeholders to ensure policy relevance and will have built-in flexibility to respond to emerging policy needs. DESNZ is holding a supplier event on MS Teams on 5th of February 12:30pm, consisting of a presentation by DESNZ. This will be designed to enable feedback from the potential suppliers as well as to catalyse consortium formation.

### **Total value (estimated)**

- £5,000,000 excluding VAT
- £6,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 May 2026 to 31 March 2029
- 2 years, 11 months

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 73110000 - Research services
- 73210000 - Research consultancy services
- 71621000 - Technical analysis or consultancy services

- 71310000 - Consultative engineering and construction services

## **Contract locations**

- UK - United Kingdom

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## **Engagement**

### **Engagement deadline**

2 February 2026

### **Engagement process description**

Supplier Engagement Call on 05/02/2026 at 12:30 GMT (2-3 hours): If you are interested in this potential opportunity, DESNZ would like to engage with you. Please sign up using this link: Industrial Decarbonisation Research Programme (IDRP).

<https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=BXCsy8EC60O0I-ZJLRst2O2sUTxdtcdEt-dklBjoDKtURDFYV1RaWTBOQ05NV1ZNUTA2UkIETFhGMS4u&route=shorturl>

Following confirmation of company details and contact information, an 'MS Teams' invite

will be circulated for the market engagement event. We would ask that you have a maximum of 2 attendees from each organisation. Please send any clarification questions to [EnergyResearch@energysecurity.gov.uk](mailto:EnergyResearch@energysecurity.gov.uk) by 5pm GMT on 12/02/2026.

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## **Participation**

### **Particular suitability**

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

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## Submission

### Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

31 March 2026

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## Contracting authority

### Department for Energy Security & Net Zero

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