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Tender

DLSITT1087 - Supply of Front End K14 for Diamond-II

DIAMOND LIGHT SOURCE LIMITED

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Scope

Reference

DLSITT1087

Description

Located on the Harwell Science & Innovation Campus in Oxfordshire, Diamond Light Source (DLS) is a leading-edge facility for science, engineering and innovation. DLS allows researchers from academia and industry to investigate the structure and behaviour of the world around us at the atomic and molecular level.

To continue delivering the world-changing science that Diamond enables, the facility is being upgraded to Diamond-II, a co-ordinated programme of development that combines a major machine upgrade with new instruments and complementary improvements to optics, detectors, sample environment and delivery capabilities, and computing, as well as integrated and correlative methods. This will be transformative in speed and spatial resolution and will offer users streamlined access to enhanced instruments for life and physical sciences.

The scope of the contract is to design, manufacture, supply, test and deliver one Front

end for the K14 beamline in Diamond-II.

The Front End will be located in a restricted area so it must be capable of continuous operation over long periods without maintenance. The support frames must be rigid construction and constructed so that they minimise the effects of ground vibrations. The support frames must be supported from the floor with three manually adjustable feet to allow them to be accurately surveyed into position.

Further information can be found in the specification.

Total value (estimated)

- £450,000 excluding VAT
- £540,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 30 March 2026 to 30 October 2027
- 1 year, 7 months, 1 day

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 42990000 - Miscellaneous special-purpose machinery

Contract locations

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Tender submission deadline

27 February 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Please email tender submission to:

https://diamondtenders@diamond.ac.uk

and send a hard copy to:

Diamond Procurement

Diamond House

Diamond Light Source Ltd

Harwell Science and Innovation Campus

Didcot

Oxon

OX11 0DE

United Kingdom

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

16 March 2026

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Price	Price	40%
Technical Quality	Quality	25%
Experience and Capacity	Quality	25%
Commercial	Quality	5%
Delivery	Quality	5%

Other information

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Documents

Technical specifications to be met

<https://tenders.diamond.ac.uk>

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<https://tenders.diamond.ac.uk>

Here suppliers are required to complete a one-off simple registration form. You are then able to login to register an interest against the tender and download the Tender Documents.

Contracting authority

DIAMOND LIGHT SOURCE LIMITED

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- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PNGG-3778-PWBM

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government