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## UK5 Notice Template

Department for Science, Innovation & Technology

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## Scope

## Reference

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## Description

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Future NMS Programme iterations will conduct similar market engagement opportunities to explore the market's appetite to deliver all, or some, of the NMS programmes.

## **Contract 1. DSIT NMS - NPL Energy and Environment**

### **Supplier**

- National Physical Laboratory

### **Contract value**

- £362,775,093 excluding VAT
- £435,330,112 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Earliest date the contract will be signed**

30 March 2026

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

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2029
- Possible extension to 31 March 2030
- 4 years

Description of possible extension:

Extension

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 71900000 - Laboratory services

## **Contract locations**

- UK - United Kingdom

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## **Participation**

### **Particular suitability**

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

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## **Other information**

### **Conflicts assessment prepared/revised**

Yes

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## **Procedure**

### **Procedure type**

Direct award

### **Direct award justification**

- Prototypes and development
- Single supplier - intellectual property or exclusive rights
- Single supplier - technical reasons

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## **Supplier**

### **National Physical Laboratory**

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Region: UKI75 - Hounslow and Richmond upon Thames

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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## **Contracting authority**

### **Department for Science, Innovation & Technology**

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government