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Planning

## Boat SIMAR & Purchase

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

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## Scope

## Reference

P-33767

## Description

Defra Group Fleet Services (DGFS) are responsible for operating the safest, greenest, most cost-effective fleet assets across the Defra Group. DGFS manage both commercial and plant fleet assets, including the procurement and disposal of vehicles, plant, boats, agricultural and construction equipment, and the Servicing, Inspection, Maintenance and Repair (SIMAR) of commercial and plant assets. DGFS' aim is to become pioneers of innovative and inventive solutions that improve the fleet's performance and sustainability. DGFS want a class leading sustainable fleet that minimises its impact on the environment and people by reducing its emissions, leading by example and inspiring others.

## Total value (estimated)

- £12,000,000 excluding VAT
- £14,400,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

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

- 1 May 2026 to 30 April 2029
- Possible extension to 30 April 2032
- 6 years

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 50241100 - Vessel repair services
- 50000000 - Repair and maintenance services
- 50240000 - Repair, maintenance and associated services related to marine and other equipment
- 50241200 - Ferry repair services
- 50241000 - Repair and maintenance services of ships
- 50244000 - Reconditioning services of ships or boats

### **Contract locations**

- UK - United Kingdom

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## Engagement

### Engagement deadline

11 April 2025

### Engagement process description

Defra Group Fleet Services (DGFS) is seeking early expressions of interest and pre-market engagement from suppliers for a proposed 3-year contract for the maintenance of its fleet of owned marine vessels, and associated trailers, outboards and ancillary equipment. If you would like to review and respond to the Request for Information, please email Angelica Ho at [Angelica.Ho@Defra.gov.uk](mailto:Angelica.Ho@Defra.gov.uk) for a copy of the RFI document. Please note the closing date is Friday 11th April 2025.

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## Participation

### Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

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## Submission

### Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

9 June 2025

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## Contracting authority

### DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PNBD-3289-CDGX

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Region: UKI32 - Westminster

Organisation type: Public authority - central government

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## Other organisation

These organisations are carrying out the procurement, or part of it, on behalf of the contracting authorities.

## ENVIRONMENT AGENCY

Summary of their role in this procurement: The Environment Agency will be managing this contract on behalf of DEFRA

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PNWW-1475-NYLN

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## Contact organisation

Contact [DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS](#) for any enquiries.