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Tender

ITT - CSM Demonstration Survey UID 218

Historic England

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Changes to notice

This notice has been edited. The [previous version](#) is still available.

Changed Ex VAT total from £28999 to £29000

Scope

Description

The UK CSM Demonstration Survey is a major seabed survey that will take place in April-May 2026. It is a novel collaboration between public sector organisations to integrate

respective survey activities under the umbrella of the UK Centre for Seabed Mapping (UK CSM).

This tender is to commission suitably experienced marine archaeological geophysicists/surveyors to participate in the CSM Demonstration Survey on behalf of Historic England. The survey will be carried out aboard RV Cefas Endeavour. Survey operations will be carried out 24 hours; HE-commissioned geophysicists/surveyors will operate a single 12-hour shift. Accommodation and subsistence will be provided aboard.

Options are being maintained for different survey areas to allow for weather. The survey vessel will mobilise at Lowestoft and demobilise at Falmouth. Crew change will occur at Lowestoft or Falmouth. Other than the crew change, the vessel is not expected to return to port during each leg of the survey.

Historic England's requirement is for one geophysicist/surveyor to participate in each leg of the survey. Tenderers can bid for either one or for both survey legs. Historic England's preference is to commission one contractor to cover both legs but reserves the right to commission one contractor for each leg.

Total value (estimated)

- £29,000 excluding VAT
- £34,800 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 20 March 2026 to 31 July 2026
- Possible extension to 31 August 2026
- 5 months, 12 days

Description of possible extension:

1 month

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 45212350 - Buildings of particular historical or architectural interest
- 73100000 - Research and experimental development services

Participation

This procurement is reserved for

- UK suppliers
- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSEs)

Submission

Tender submission deadline

6 March 2026, 9:30am

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/historicengland/asp/Home>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Award criteria

20% Price 80% quality

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Contracting authority

Historic England

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PXLY-5862-RMML

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government