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Contract

Framework for Foundational learning and development programme in Operational Meteorology for the Met Office (FOMP)

Met Office

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Scope

Reference

DN776644

Description

The Met Office awarded a single-supplier framework agreement for the co-design, co-development and co-delivery of the Foundation Operational Meteorology Programme (FOMP). The framework will provide a transformed foundational learning and development programme for early-career Operational Meteorologists, combining modern theoretical content with practical, on-the-job experience and supporting continuous professional development.

The framework will run for 4 years, with a value of £5 million (excl. VAT). Services will be delivered under flexible call-off arrangements to allow adaptation to evolving training needs.

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Lot Lot 1. Co-design and co-development of the programme curriculum

Description

The supplier is required to co-design with the Met Office a comprehensive, modern and dynamic curriculum training programme for the Foundation Operational Meteorology Programme (FOMP)

Lot Lot 2. Co-delivery of the programme curriculum

Description

The successful supplier will co-deliver the training programme co-designed in Lot 1 with the Met Office over future years.

Framework

Maximum percentage fee charged to suppliers

0%

Framework operation description

The FOMP Framework will operate as a single-supplier framework agreement, through which all services will be commissioned via individual Call-Off Contracts. The FOMP Framework is established in accordance with the Procurement Act 2023. Call-Off Contracts are awarded directly to the Supplier using the core terms and pricing mechanism set out in the Framework. Pricing under the Framework will be a fixed-price model, with all rates remaining fixed for the full Framework Period. For each Call-Off, the Met Office may refine and specify its detailed requirements-such as scope, deliverables, timelines and the application of the established pricing mechanism-in order to finalise the Call-Off Contract, provided that such refinement remains within the parameters, core terms and pricing provisions defined in the Framework.

Award method when using the framework

Without competition

Contracting authorities that may use the framework

Establishing party only

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Lots

Lot Lot 1. Co-design and co-development of the programme curriculum

Lot Lot 2. Co-delivery of the programme curriculum

Supplier

- UNIVERSITY OF PLYMOUTH ENTERPRISE LIMITED

Contract value

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

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

Above the relevant threshold

Date signed

20 January 2026

Contract dates

- 2 February 2026 to 1 February 2030
- 4 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 80000000 - Education and training services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Supplier

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Contracting authority

Met Office

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PVZW-3234-DTLY

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government