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Award

UKRI-5679 Pilz Safety Equipment

UK Research & Innovation (UKRI)

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Scope

Reference

UKRI-5679

Description

UKRI STFC appointed a supplier to provide Pilz safety equipment for the Central Laser Facility.

Contract 1. UKRI-5679 Pilz Safety Equipment

Supplier

- Pilz Automation Technology

Contract value

- £500,000 excluding VAT
- £600,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

2 March 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 2 March 2026 to 28 February 2031
- 4 years, 11 months, 30 days

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 31214130 - Safety switches

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Switching to direct award

This was awarded due to a negotiated procedure due to competition absent for technical reasons.

Supplier

Pilz Automation Technology

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PRND-9133-MJJQ

Pilz House, Little Colliers Field

Corby

NN18 8TJ

United Kingdom

Email: sales@pilz.co.uk

Region: UKF25 - North Northamptonshire

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Contracting authority

UK Research & Innovation (UKRI)

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDQJ-7126-JDHG

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government