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Award

UKRI-5574 Frequency Comb

UK Research & Innovation (UKRI)

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Scope

Reference

UKRI-5574

Description

UKRI STFC has a requirement for a frequency comb system for use at the National Quantum Computing Centre (NQCC). This contract is being awarded following a competitive open tender process.

Contract 1. UKRI-5574 Frequency Comb

Supplier

- Menlo Systems GmbH

Contract value

- £671,232 excluding VAT
- £805,478.40 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

25 February 2026

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

2 March 2026

Standstill period

- End: 11 March 2026
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

16 March 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 17 March 2026 to 1 December 2026

- 8 months, 16 days

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 38000000 - Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)

Contract locations

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

Information about tenders

- 2 tenders received
- 2 tenders assessed in the final stage:
 - 2 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
- 1 supplier awarded contracts
- 1 supplier unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Supplier

Menlo Systems GmbH

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PGBX-8879-YMYG

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Contracting authority

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government