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# **Space Weather Delivery Partner**

Met Office

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## Scope

### Reference

DN766482

## Description

The Met Office owns the Severe Space Weather Risk on the National Security Risk Assessment (NSRA) and receives funding from the Department for Science, Innovation & Technology (DSIT) to deliver a core national space weather capability to inform mitigation against the worst effects by government and critical sectors.

Given the prominence of the severe space weather as a 'significant' risk on the UK Government's NSRA and the higher than anticipated activity in this solar cycle, crossgovernment activity has increased putting greater demands and requirements on Met Office. Increased funding has been secured to resource these more demanding requirements focussed on improving UK preparedness for any future severe space weather event. Met Office Technology team is looking to supplement its internal resources to support and advise the Space Weather programme from the technical perspective. The resources to be provided by the Delivery Partner will work in a blended team and will be supported by Met Office internal technical, product and delivery management leadership.

The Met Office require resources to develop, support, maintain and improve our Space Weather portfolio and associated technologies. We're looking for skills that align to the GDaD Profession Capability Framework

The successful supplier will be expected to supply a suitable development team with the capacity to take immediate ownership of the support and delivery of the Met Office Space Weather portfolio. Note that a period of dual contract running is planned in order to ensure an effective handover of assets and domain knowledge.

The contract will be a non exclusive contract delivered via Statements of Work on time and materials, capped time and materials and a hybrid pricing model using capped time and materials and fixed cost elements for appropriate SoW's.

The incumbent Space Weather Delivery Partner contract is due to complete in March 2026, therefore the Met Office wishes to engage with the Market to procure a replacement Delivery Partner contract.

## Total value (estimated)

- £15,000,000 excluding VAT
- £18,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 9 October 2025 to 8 October 2030
- Possible extension to 9 October 2032
- 7 years, 1 day

Description of possible extension:

Option to extend for a further period of up to two years exercisable at Buyer's discretion

### Main procurement category

Services

## **CPV classifications**

• 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

## **Contract locations**

• UK - United Kingdom

# Participation

## Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

As set out in the Tender documents

## Technical ability conditions of participation

As set out in the Tender documents

## Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

## Submission

## **Enquiry deadline**

10 July 2025, 4:00pm

### Tender submission deadline

22 July 2025, 2:00pm

### Submission address and any special instructions

A copy of the Tender documents must be submitted no later than 14:00 hrs on 22 July 2025 via the Met Office Portal:

#### https://procontract.due-north.com/register

For any system issues related to registration or accessing the opportunity on the Met Office ProContract Portal please contact the ProContract Helpdesk - by emailing the ProContract support team - <u>ProContractSuppliers@proactis.com</u>

### Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

## Languages that may be used for submission

English

## Award decision date (estimated)

5 September 2025

#### **Recurring procurement**

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 1 May 2030

## Award criteria

Name	Description	Туре	Weighting
Quality/Technical	Further detail available in the Tender documents	e Quality	65%
Price	Further detail available in the Tender documents	e Price	25%
Social Value	Further detail available in the Tender documents	e Quality	10%

# Other information

#### **Payment terms**

Available in the Tender documents

## Applicable trade agreements

• Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

### Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

# Procedure

### Procedure type

Open procedure

# **Contracting authority**

## **Met Office**

• Public Procurement Organisation Number: PVZW-3234-DTLY

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