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Tender

An economic analysis of midstream manufacturing in the European Union defence and aerospace sectors and opportunities for a more circular economy in the UK

UK Research & Innovation

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Scope

Description

Review the defence and aerospace sectors in the European Union (EU) and their midstream capabilities, with a particular focus on circular economy activities and opportunities. Synergies with the automotive sector should also be explored. Provide insights into the valorisation of waste and scrap flows within the EU's defence and aerospace industrial ecosystem (and possible synergies with Automotive sector).

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Total value (estimated)

- £125,000 excluding VAT
- £150,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 6 October 2025 to 28 February 2026
- Possible extension to 27 March 2026
- 5 months, 22 days

Description of possible extension:

UKRI may extend this Contract for a period of up to four weeks by giving not less than two weeks' notice in writing to the Supplier prior to the Expiry Date.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 79311400 - Economic research services

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Tender submission deadline

12 August 2025, 2:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://.delta.com>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

4 September 2025

Award criteria

| Name | Type | Weighting |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|------------------|
| Circular Economy Knowledge | Quality | 20% |
| EU Knowledge | Quality | 18% |
| Team's Expertise and Experience | Quality | 16% |
| Defence & Aerospace Sector Knowledge | Quality | 16% |
| Price Schedule (Appendix B) | Price | 10% |
| Project Planning & Management | Quality | 10% |
| Stakeholder Engagement Strategy | Quality | 5% |
| Risk Mitigation Strategies | Quality | 5% |

Other information

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Contracting authority

UK Research & Innovation

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDQJ-7126-JDHG

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Organisation type: Public undertaking (commercial organisation subject to public authority oversight)