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Award

Supporting regional ecosystems and entrepreneurship

Department for Science, Innovation & Technology

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Scope

Reference

PRJ_5268

Description

This programme will focus on supporting digital and tech companies outside of London and is intended to complement existing efforts across the department to drive regional economic growth. Funding is for one year only as the department develops its longer-term approach through the Industrial Strategy and 2025 Spending Review.

Contract 1. Regional Tech Booster

Supplier

- [North East Business and Innovation Centre](#)

Contract value

- £800,000 excluding VAT
- £1,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

8 June 2025

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

13 June 2025

Standstill period

- End: 18 July 2025
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

22 July 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 23 July 2025 to 31 March 2026
- 8 months, 9 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Information about tenders

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

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Supplier

North East Business and Innovation Centre

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PPBB-8922-DLNQ

Enterprise Park East Sunderland

Sunderland

SR5 2TA

United Kingdom

Email: david.dunn@sunderlandsoftwarecity.com

Region: UKC23 - Sunderland

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1. Regional Tech Booster

Contracting authority

Department for Science, Innovation & Technology

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PVWZ-3216-PVQL

22 Whitehall

London

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United Kingdom

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Region: UKI32 - Westminster

Organisation type: Public authority - central government