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UKRI- 5036 UK- wide Celebration of Research and Innovation

UK Research & Innovation (UKRI)

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Scope

Description

UKRI want to commission a supplier to deliver a new UK-wide celebration to engage the public, particularly young people, with research and innovation (R&I). This will be delivered through the following 5 work packages over the duration of the six years in total:

- Work package 1: coordinated UK-wide activities that celebrate and showcase R&I and supports people (particularly young people and those from minoritised communities and those underrepresented in R&I) to engage with R&I through co-produced local and regional activity.
- Work package 2: grants programmes to support those from minoritised communities and underrepresented groups to engage with R&I through community-led events and local activities in schools throughout the year.
- Work package 3: a programme of deliberative dialogues with young people to explore their views and concerns about R&I, providing unique insights into young people's relationship with R&I and enabling their views to inform and influence decision-making in R&I.
- Work package 4: support for sharing learning between this programme of activity and existing knowledge festivals, museums, science centres and other relevant organisations.
- Work package 5: summative and formative evaluation to understand and share what works in informal engagement with R&I.

The successful supplier is required to deliver all of the five Work

packages for this requirement.

Total value (estimated)

- £3,300,000 excluding VAT
- £3,960,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 15 September 2025 to 14 September 2028
- 3 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 79410000 - Business and management consultancy services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Tender submission deadline

12 August 2025, 11:00am

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https://ukri2.my.site.com/login-&data=05|02|Sharon.Jennings@ukri.org|5fa230786740406e705c08ddc38d2e2f|8bb7e08edaa44a8e927efca38db04b7e|0|0|638881733390638828|Unknown|TWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOilwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMilslkFOljoiTWFpbCIsIlldUljoyfQ==|0||&sdata=HZnx4b9H7nmis2y7N/FcM+vtf7G2i62LVGGhyr8/IQw=&reserved=0>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

10 September 2025

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Quality	Quality	90.00%
Price	Price	10.00%

Other information

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Justification for not publishing a preliminary market engagement notice

Known market

Contracting authority

UK Research & Innovation (UKRI)

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government