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Award

Space Weather R2O2R

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Scope

Reference

DN779859

Description

The partner, British Geological Society or 'BGS' led the 'SAGE' (ground effects) project in the SWIMMR Programme (2019-2024). BGS developed the SPIDER model - an integrated nowcast and forecasting system for the modelled effects from Geomagnetically Induced Currents (GIC) in the Great Britain high voltage power network, pipeline and railways in near-real-time.

We have worked with the partner, to agree aims and objectives for delivery of 'R2O2R' and in collaboration we have agreed overarching principles for the contract. These are

- The models will continue to be developed as required, for transition to operation and will be effectively supported by BGS;
- The collaboration between MO and the partner institution will aim to ensure the best possible resilience for the models over the long term (by seeking to retain expert support

during transition to operations);

- Partner expertise and knowledge will effectively be transferred to MO in order to secure the transfer of the models into operation;
 - The boundaries and mechanisms for of any ongoing collaborative relationship (beyond the contract period) with the partner will be defined and any principles agreed;
 - The contract deliverables will ensure that the balance of knowledge and expertise to run, support and interpret the models and their outputs, and reliance on expertise will shift away from the partners and towards the MO for transition to operation;
 - The collaboration will take a risk-based approach to ensuring the models and model outputs are able to transition to operation.
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Contract 1

Supplier

- British Geological Survey (BGS) a component of UK Research and Innovation (UKRI)

Contract value

- £157,872 excluding VAT
- £189,446 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

23 July 2025

Standstill period

- End: 18 August 2025
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

19 August 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 20 August 2025 to 31 March 2026
- 7 months, 12 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Supplier

British Geological Survey (BGS) a component of UK Research and Innovation (UKRI)

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PWHV-7273-PGJY

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1

Contracting authority

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government