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Tender

PFAS Developing Targets & Quality Standards

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Scope

Description

This project, to be completed by February 2026, will review the readily available hazard data for several specific PFAS, required to derive thresholds for human health via consumption of fish and for the protection of aquatic life. Where sufficient relevant and reliable data is available for each of the individual PFAS considered, this will be used to derive interim thresholds for these specific PFAS using the approach outlined in the EQS (Environmental Quality Standards) guidance (EC, 2018 - Guidance No 27 - Deriving Environmental Quality Standards - version 2018.pdf). In the absence of an EQS for these substances, these interim thresholds will be used by the Environment Agency (EA) to contextualise the concentrations of these substances detected from surface water monitoring and present in discharges to water environment to help understand the potential risk associated with the concentrations detected.

Total value (estimated)

- £50,000 excluding VAT
- £60,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 29 September 2025 to 27 February 2026
- 4 months, 29 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 73110000 - Research services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Participation

Conditions of participation

Please see Bidder Pack.

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Enquiry deadline

11 September 2025, 12:00pm

Tender submission deadline

11 September 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://atamis-9529.my.site.com/s/Welcome>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Technical	E01: Approach and Methodology - 35% E02: Proposed staff & expertise - 35% E03: Project Management - 20% E04: Sustainability - 10%	Quality	70.00%
Commercial	Total Project Cost	Cost	30.00%

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Contracting authority

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- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PNWW-1475-NYLN

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London

SW1P 4DF

United Kingdom

Email: procurement@defra.gov.uk

Website: <https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Region: UKI32 - Westminster

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Other organisation

These organisations are carrying out the procurement, or part of it, on behalf of the contracting authorities.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

Summary of their role in this procurement: Defra Group Commercial are managing the procurement.

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PNBD-3289-CDGX

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Contact organisation

Contact [ENVIRONMENT AGENCY](#) for any enquiries.