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Tender

Contracts for Innovation : Space Data Solutions for Change Detection and Analysis

UK Space Agency

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Scope

Description

The UK Space Agency (UKSA) is seeking responses from UK-registered suppliers to deliver a 6-month feasibility demonstrator for project: Space Data Solutions for Change Detection and Analysis, for a share of up to £1 million, exploring the use of satellite data and analytics for change detection in support of UK Government requirements. We are looking to fund at least 2 contracts with a value of up to £500k (INC VAT). UK Space Agency recognises there are potentially different levels of maturity in the market and so invite proposals wherever they sit on the TRL scale so long as they can demonstrate how they will meet our challenge.

Satellite-based Earth observation offers unique capabilities to detect and characterise changes across large, remote, and challenging environments. For certain government users, there is significant potential to enhance situational awareness by combining access to historical satellite archives with near real-time analytics and targeted new data collection.

Scope of the Opportunity:

The demonstrator will test the feasibility and operational value of fusing multiple types of

satellite data (archival and newly tasked) to detect, track, and analyse relevant activity. This will include:

- Identifying and accessing suitable archival datasets from commercial, public, and sovereign UK space capabilities.
- Developing and applying analytics to detect and characterise changes of interest.
- Tasking new satellite observations to complement archival analysis.
- Producing actionable outputs that can be trialled with end users in near real-time scenarios.

The selected supplier will work closely with designated UK Government stakeholders to refine outputs during delivery. Detailed operational requirements and the specific application context will be provided to shortlisted suppliers following NDA signature.

Responses are invited from UK-registered companies, consortia, or research organisations with proven capabilities in satellite data acquisition, analytics, and application development.

Suppliers should be able to demonstrate:

- Experience delivering sensitive projects for UK Government or allied agencies.
- The ability to field personnel with Security Check (SC) clearance by the time of contract award.
- Robust processes for handling and storing classified or sensitive information in accordance with UK Government security requirements.

Suppliers without existing clearance may still submit an EOI but must demonstrate they can obtain the necessary clearances in a timely manner.

Due to the sensitive nature of the challenge we are unable to at this stage provide further information about the specific government user. Upon successfully submitting an response , passing the Selection stage and signing of a Non-disclosure agreement. The full challenge documentation will be released and prospective bidders.

Contracts For Innovation Summary

This is a single-phase Contracts for Innovation competition focused on feasibility demonstration. The results will inform whether further funding or procurement is pursued. While there is no guarantee of follow-on funding, there is a possibility of subsequent

opportunities open only to successful participants from this competition, subject to positive outcomes and budget availability.

Contracts for Innovation competitions procure R&D services to solve public sector challenges while supporting UK commercial growth. They require demonstrable routes to market, with suppliers retaining intellectual property and the contracting authority retaining rights of use.

In applying to this competition, you are entering into a competitive process.

Any adoption and implementation of a solution from this competition would be subject to a separate, possibly competitive, procurement exercise. This competition does not cover the purchase of any solution by the UK Government.

It should be noted that this requirement shall be classed as 'exempt' from PA 2023. This notice is being advertised out for an Expressions of Interest / Specific Questionnaire stage and shall then be withdrawn from the CDP platform and taken forward offline.

Total value (estimated)

- £833,333 excluding VAT
- £1,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 14 October 2025 to 31 March 2026
- 5 months, 18 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support
- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

Refer to criteria set-out in in the 'Supplier Expression of Interest Selection Questionnaire' document available on the Jaggaer portal.

Technical ability conditions of participation

Refer to criteria set-out in in the 'Supplier Expression of Interest Selection Questionnaire' document available on the Jaggaer portal.

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

9 September 2025, 11:59pm

Submission type

Requests to participate

Deadline for requests to participate

12 September 2025, 11:59pm

Submission address and any special instructions

UK Shared Business Services Ltd (UK SBS) will be using the Jaggaer eSourcing Portal for this competition.

To register on the Jaggaer eSourcing portal please use the link <https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/> and follow the instructions to register as a supplier.

If you are already registered on the Jaggaer eSourcing Portal and wish to participate in this procurement, please use the link: <https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/>.

Once you are logged into the system you will be able to locate the Procurement you wish to leave a response on by clicking the ITTs Open to All Suppliers and searching for the reference number itt_2280 or UKSAC25_0079

DO NOT APPLY DIRECTLY TO UKSA

Responses must be received by the date and time in the documentation; responses received outside of the deadline or not sent via the Jaggaer eSourcing portal will not be accepted or considered by the Contracting Authority further for this opportunity, unless a system outage is experienced, to which the Contracting Authority will advise upon accordingly. Interested organisations should ensure that they allow a sufficiency of time, prior to the deadline to allow all sections to be completed in full and any attachments to be uploaded.

As a user of the Jaggaer eSourcing Portal you will have access to the Jaggaer messaging service which facilitates all messages sent to you and from you, as well as other messages and updates in relation to any specific event. Please note that any and all information secured outside of the messaging service, shall have no Legal Standing, merit or worth and should not be relied upon by any organisation submitting a response.

Please note it is your organisations responsibility to access these messages on a regular basis to ensure you have sight of all relevant information applicable to this opportunity.

The Contracting Authority expressly reserves the right:

i. not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice; and

ii. to make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the procurement; and under no circumstances as part of your organisations participation in this opportunity, will the Contracting Authority be liable for any costs incurred by any organisation as a result. If the Contracting Authority decides to enter into a contract with any successful organisation(s), this does not mean that there is any guarantee of subsequent contracts being awarded. Any expenditure, work or effort undertaken prior to contract award is accordingly a matter solely for the commercial judgement of your organisation in doing so.

About UK Shared Business Services

UK Shared Business Services Ltd (UK SBS) brings a commercial attitude to the public sector; helping our contracting authorities to improve efficiency, generate savings and modernise.

Where UK SBS is not named as the Contracting Authority within the documentation, UK SBS will be acting as an agent on behalf of the Contracting Authority.

Our broad range of expert services is shared by our customers. This allows our customers the freedom to focus resources on core activities; innovating and transforming their own organisations.

For full details of our partner base please review the following link:

<http://www.uksbs.co.uk/services/procure/contracts/Pages/default.aspx>

Jaggaer eSourcing Portal

<https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

No

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

14 October 2025

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type
N/A	This is an exempt procurement and publication of this information in a notice on the find a tender service is not required.	Cost

Weighting description

This is an exempt procurement and publication of this information in a notice on the find a tender service is not required.

This notice is for information only.

See the documentation available via the e-sourcing platform detailed below.

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Competitive flexible procedure

Competitive flexible procedure description

Below are the procedure steps that will be followed it will be made up of the following stages

Expression of Interest / Selection Questionnaire

Contracts for innovation competition Submission

Prospective bidders should complete the Expression of Interest / Selection Questionnaire available on Jaggaer and submit a signed copy Non disclosure document .UKSA will conduct and evaluation of the Expression of Interest / Selection Questionnaire . Submissions that don't demonstrate sufficient capacity / technical capability will be rejected Bidders should review the supporting evidence.

Suppliers that pass this stage will receive a countersigned NDA and be invited to the next stage where will competition documents and further information will be provided.

For the avoidance of doubt UKSA will not be accepting amendments to its non-disclosure agreement.

The Expression of Interest / Selection Questionnaire stage compliance check will comprise of assessing responses to the criteria outlined in the 'Supplier Expressions of Interest Questionnaire'.

Failure to meet the mandatory requirements and achieve 'Pass' classification will result in the Applicants not being considered further and their Bid rejected.

Contracting authority

UK Space Agency

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