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Award

Space Weather R2O2R - University of Surrey

Met Office

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Scope

Reference

DN779864

Description

Competition is absent for technical reasons and proprietary rights:

The deliverables within the contract are associated with a model and code already developed and owned by the partner, (supplier) to a specific maturity under the SWIMMR Programme. The academics hold the model code IPR and provide model access to Met Office under Licence (pending renewal on signature of the contract) and therefore are uniquely placed to provide these services to the Met Office. Delivery will 'accelerate' the model's development towards transition to operations within the Met Office Space Weather service as mandated by DSIT. The purpose of the contract is to continue development of the models (which requires the 'deep expertise' of the model developer) and to transfer model and model code knowledge and expertise. In short, there is no other supplier for the work associated with this model as the Met Office requires the code and expertise solely located at Surrey.

Contract 1

Supplier

- University of Surrey

Contract value

- £158,000 excluding VAT
- £189,600 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

11 September 2025

Standstill period

- End: 22 September 2025
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

23 September 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 October 2025 to 31 March 2026
- 6 months

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 73100000 - Research and experimental development services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Supplier

University of Surrey

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PJPT-2767-WQLG

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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

Met Office

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PVZW-3234-DTLY

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government