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## **UKRI-4507 Satellite Internet for BAS Ship and Stations**

UK Research and Innovation

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

UKRI-4507

### **Description**

The British Antarctic Survey (BAS) is looking for satellite communication services to allow for internet connections onboard the RRS Sir David Attenborough as well as the research stations. This is a split requirement, 1 lot within the procurement will be for a Geostationary Earth Orbit satellite connection (GEO) and the other lot is for a Low Earth Orbit connection (LEO).

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## **Lot LOT 1. Geostationary Earth Orbiting (GEO) connection**

### **Description**

The requirement of this Lot is for a fully integrated GEO system. Full details of the requirement can be found in the Procurement Documents.

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## **Lot LOT 2. Low Earth Orbiting (LEO) connection**

### **Description**

The requirement of this Lot is for a maritime and terrestrial LEO broadband solution. Full details of the requirement can be found in the Procurement Documents.

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## **Contract 1**

### **Lots**

Lot LOT 1. Geostationary Earth Orbiting (GEO) connection

Lot LOT 2. Low Earth Orbiting (LEO) connection

### **Supplier**

- Omniaccess SL

## **Contract value**

- £1,003,760 excluding VAT
- £1,204,512 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

## **Award decision date**

27 August 2025

## **Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers**

28 August 2025

## **Standstill period**

- End: 30 September 2025
- 8 working days

## **Earliest date the contract will be signed**

1 October 2025

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 2 October 2025 to 30 September 2027
- Possible extension to 30 September 2029
- 3 years, 11 months, 30 days

Description of possible extension:

The contract can be extended by a maximum of 2 periods of 12 months.

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 64214100 - Satellite circuit rental services

## **Contract locations**

- UKH12 - Cambridgeshire CC
- AQ - Antarctica

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## **Information about tenders**

### **Lot LOT 1. Geostationary Earth Orbiting (GEO) connection**

- 3 tenders received
- 3 tenders assessed in the final stage:
  - 1 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
  - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
- 1 supplier awarded contracts

- 2 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)
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## **Lot LOT 2. Low Earth Orbiting (LEO) connection**

- 7 tenders received
  - 7 tenders assessed in the final stage:
    - 5 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
    - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
  - 1 supplier awarded contracts
  - 6 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)
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## **Procedure**

### **Procedure type**

Open procedure

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## **Supplier**

### **Omniaccess SL**

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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

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## **Contracting authority**

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