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Award

UK Archive for Marine Species and Habitats Data (DASSH)

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

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Scope

Reference

C30492

Description

DASSH is the UK's accredited Data Archive Centre ("DAC") for marine species and habitats data. It is part of the MEDIN and plays a critical role in supporting statutory environmental reporting obligations under the UK Marine Strategy, OSPAR, and the Convention on Biological Diversity.

Contract 1. UK Archive for Marine Species and Habitats Data (DASSH)

Supplier

- [Marine Biological Association](#)

Contract value

- £695,698 excluding VAT
- £834,837.60 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

3 October 2025

Standstill period

- End: 20 October 2025
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

21 October 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 22 October 2025 to 31 March 2029

- Possible extension to 31 March 2030
- 4 years, 5 months, 10 days

Description of possible extension:

1 year optional extension

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 90700000 - Environmental services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Supplier

Marine Biological Association

- Charity Commission (England and Wales): 1155893

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: Yes

Public service mutual: Yes

Associated people/organisations:

Marine Biological Association

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Contracting authority

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PNBD-3289-CDGX

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government