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Planning

UK2 - Preliminary Market Engagement - The Provision of Engineering Aerospace Commissioning Scheme (EPACS)

Ministry of Defence

UK3: Planned procurement notice - Procurement Act 2023 - [view information about notice types](#)

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Scope

Reference

715090450

Description

The Ministry of Defence (MOD) requires Higher Education Institution (HEI) providers to collaborate with the Authority to validate a degree programme which complies with regulations set by the relevant government authorities (Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education in the UK, The Office for Students in England, the Higher Education Funding Council for Wales in Wales, and the Scottish Funding Council in Scotland). Course validation must be in place to allow qualifications to be awarded to students on completion of their courses.

The programme of study should be designed to make it suitable for accreditation by an appropriate professional institution. The Supplier and Authority will collaborate over the duration of the contract with the aim of achieving professional accreditation within the contract period. The intent is to enable completing students to apply for professional

registration as Incorporated Engineers with the Engineering Council.

The role of the DCTT is to train and educate Aeronautical Engineering (AE) to meet the Defence requirement.

Total value (estimated)

- £800,000 excluding VAT
- £960,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2032
- Possible extension to 31 March 2034
- 8 years

Description of possible extension:

Additional optional +1+1 years added to the initial period at the Authorities discretion.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 80430000 - Adult-education services at university level
- 80570000 - Personal development training services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom
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Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

8 December 2025

Enquiry deadline

12 January 2026, 9:00am

Tender submission deadline

23 January 2026, 9:00am

Submission address and any special instructions

www.contracts.mod.uk

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

6 March 2026

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Contracting authority

Ministry of Defence

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PHVX-4316-ZVGZ

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Website: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ministry-of-defence>

Region: UKJ13 - Buckinghamshire CC

Organisation type: Public authority - central government