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Planning

RFI: In-Orbit Servicing, Assembly & Manufacturing (ISAM) Payloads RFI

UK Space Agency

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Scope

Reference

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Description

The UK Space Agency (UKSA) recognises In-Orbit Servicing, Assembly & Manufacturing (ISAM) as a critical capability for strengthening the UK's position in space. The UK Space Industrial Plan (2024) identified ISAM as one of five key space capability areas for prioritisation, reflecting its importance to the nation's future in space. In addition, the Strategic Defence Review (2025) highlighted the need to develop Space Control capabilities, and by extension ISAM technologies, to defend UK space assets in an increasingly contested domain.

Recent years have seen significant progress in establishing the foundations of the UK space sector, with national and defence space strategies now complemented by detailed capability plans. Realising the UK's ambitions for ISAM will require close collaboration between government and industry, with future interventions guided by robust evidence.

To support this, UKSA is issuing this Request for Information (RFI) to organisations - both UK-based and international - developing or planning to develop ISAM payloads or technologies seeking flight opportunities as hosted payloads or on In-Orbit Demonstration (IOD) missions. The aim is to map the landscape of new technologies seeking flight demonstration within the next 3-5 years.

Insights gathered through this RFI will inform UKSA's approach to in-space technology qualification and deepen our understanding of the evolving space technology landscape. We welcome your responses and appreciate your valuable input in shaping the future of the UK's ISAM capabilities.

Note: This notice will not lead to a contract. This service is being used to assist in publicising this RFI as widely as possible.

Contract dates (estimated)

- 29 October 2025 to 8 December 2025
- 1 month, 11 days

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 34712100 - Spacecraft
- 34712200 - Satellites

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Engagement

Engagement deadline

8 December 2025

Engagement process description

Further information has been published on Contracts Finder at

<https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/75d0fd43-489f-47ed-8098-409bfaf14766>

Here you can download the detailed RFI document, and find a link to the RFI response form.

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Contracting authority

UK Space Agency

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PRTY-4245-MTJY

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