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Tender

Advanced Technologies for Autonomous Health and Welfare Monitoring in Aquaculture

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

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Scope

Description

Defra wishes to undertake research to develop a proof-of-concept advanced technology that allows for continuous monitoring of welfare in commercial production systems, focussing on both Atlantic salmon (essential) and rainbow trout (desirable).

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at <https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

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Total value (estimated)

- £450,000 excluding VAT
- £540,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 22 January 2026 to 31 March 2029
- Possible extension to 30 September 2029
- 3 years, 8 months, 10 days

Description of possible extension:

Potential no cost 6 month extension

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 73200000 - Research and development consultancy services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

See tender documentation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
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Submission

Enquiry deadline

5 December 2025, 12:00pm

Tender submission deadline

17 December 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

15 January 2026

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Technical	Sub criterion	Quality	60.00%
Commercial	Fixed price	Cost	30.00%
Social Value	Sub criterion	Quality	10.00%

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Contracting authority

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government