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Award

UKRI-5033 Distributed System of Scientific Collection (DiSSCo) UK Evaluation

UK Research & Innovation (UKRI)

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Scope

Reference

UKRI-5033

Description

UKRI-5033 Distributed System of Scientific Collections (DiSSCo) UK Evaluation - A comprehensive, independent, and rigorous evaluation of the DiSSCo UK Programme, assessing its delivery, impact, effectiveness, and future readiness.

Contract 1. UKRI-5033 UKRI-5033 Distributed System of Scientific Collection (DiSSCo) UK Evaluation

Supplier

- ICF Consulting Services Limited

Contract value

- £1,244,600 excluding VAT
- £1,493,520 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

3 December 2025

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

3 December 2025

Standstill period

- End: 15 December 2025
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

23 January 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 June 2026 to 31 May 2029
- Possible extension to 30 June 2036
- 10 years, 1 month

Description of possible extension:

2+2+3 Year Options for extension.

Main procurement category

Services

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

Total contract length not to exceed 10 years.

CPV classifications

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

Information about tenders

- 3 tenders received

- 3 tenders assessed in the final stage:
 - 0 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)

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Supplier

ICF Consulting Services Limited

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PMCX-8669-QQLD

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United Kingdom

Email: sales@icf.com

Region: UKI31 - Camden and City of London

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1. UKRI-5033 UKRI-5033 Distributed System of Scientific Collection (DiSSCo)
UK Evaluation

Contracting authority

UK Research & Innovation (UKRI)

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government