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Pipeline

UK Plant Breeders Rights, National Listing and Seed Certification (NIAB)

ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH AGENCY

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Scope

Reference

P-35973

Description

This notice relates to the requirements to award two contracts to the National Institute of Agricultural Botany (“NIAB”); one service contract and one concession contract. The subject matter of both contracts is the delivery of plant breeders rights, national listing & seed certification.

The services are:

Service A: Distinctness, Uniformity and Stability, (“DUS”) Testing Service

Service B - Value for Cultivation and Use (“VCU”) Tests for Disease Resistance

Service C - Independent Review and Reporting of VCU Trials and Disease Resistance Tests

Service D - Seed Certification Services

Service E - Seed Testing Services

Service F - Technical Advice and Additional Services

Service G - Management of Authority IT Systems

Service H - Delivery of DUS Quality Assurance System ("QAS")

Please note: the contract start date is expected to be 1st July 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 11 December 2025 to 30 June 2027
- Possible extension to 30 June 2028
- 2 years, 6 months, 21 days

Main category

Services

CPV classifications

- 77100000 - Agricultural services

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

10 December 2025

Procedure

Special regime

Concession

Contracting authority

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