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## **National Instruments Enterprise Agreement**

UK Atomic Energy Authority

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

JNCA/GW185/25

### **Description**

National Instruments (NI) provides software and hardware that is extensively used across UKAEA projects. For much of our hardware—most notably the CompactRIO (cRIO)—NI software is a mandatory component for operation. Key projects that rely on NI tools include H3AT, MRF, HIVE, HIVE-II, CHIMERA, EBW, HiCRIS, and numerous STEP test systems and ELSA. NI software is also integrated into various subsystems on JET and MAST-U. While comprehensive tracking across all projects is limited, it is clear that transitioning away from NI would introduce significant disruption, making only high-level estimates feasible. Additionally, NI tools are widely used by third-party collaborators, such as RACE in partnership with the European Spallation Source (ESS). NI's software suite is widely recognized across engineering and scientific industries and is a standard part of university curricula. Consequently, graduates familiar with NI software are readily available, mitigating training overheads compared with alternative platforms. The requested purchase is an Enterprise Agreement, which provides UKAEA with company-wide access to a comprehensive suite of NI software, technical support, and training (self-

paced online courses, exams, and in-person sessions where required).

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## **Contract 1. National Instruments Enterprise Agreement**

### **Supplier**

- National Instruments

### **Contract value**

- £412,977 excluding VAT
- £495,572.40 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Earliest date the contract will be signed**

1 March 2026

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 March 2026 to 28 February 2029
- 3 years

## **Main procurement category**

Goods

## **CPV classifications**

- 48100000 - Industry specific software package

## **Contract locations**

- UK - United Kingdom

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## **Other information**

### **Conflicts assessment prepared/revised**

Yes

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## **Procedure**

### **Procedure type**

Direct award

### **Direct award justification**

Single supplier - intellectual property or exclusive rights

For creation/acquisition of unique work. If the suppliers' intellectual property or exclusive rights mean only they can supply the work, and no reasonable alternative is available.

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## Supplier

### National Instruments

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PMRT-3913-MMXH

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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## Contracting authority

## **UK Atomic Energy Authority**

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PLJV-1169-JTDD

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government