



Department for
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Grant Thornton UK LLP
30 Finsbury Square
London
EC2A 1AG

Our ref: CR_1601

Date: 12/01/2022

Dear Grant Thornton UK LLP

Award of Agreement: UK-China Two Way Foreign Direct Investment Monitoring Project

This letter (Award Letter) and Agreement set out the terms of the Agreement between The Secretary of State for the Department for International Trade as the Customer and Grant Thornton UK LLP as the Contractor for the provision of the Services. Unless the context otherwise requires, capitalised expressions used in this Award Letter have the same meanings as in the terms and conditions of the Agreement. In the event of any conflict between this Award Letter and the Agreement, this Award Letter shall prevail. Please do not attach any Contractor's terms and conditions to this Award Letter as they will not be accepted by the Customer and may delay conclusion of the Agreement.

For the purposes of the Agreement, the Customer and the Contractor agree as follows:

- 1) The charges for the Services shall be as set out in Appendix 2 of the Agreement
- 2) The Specification of the Services to be supplied as set out in Appendix 1 of the Agreement.
- 3) The Supplier Proposal detailing how the Specification of the Services will be supplied as set out in Appendix 3 of the Agreement.
- 4) The Term shall have deemed to commence on 03/02/2022 and the Expiry Date shall be 31/03/2023
- 5) The address for notices of the Parties are:

Customer

Department for International Trade
Old Admiralty Building
Westminster
London
SW1A 2DY

Contractor

Grant Thornton UK LLP
30 Finsbury Square
London
EC2A 1AG

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- 6) The following persons are Key Personnel for the purposes of the Agreement:

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- 7) The Customer may require the Contractor to ensure that any person employed in the provision of the Services has undertaken a Disclosure and Barring Service check. The Contractor shall ensure that no person who discloses that he/she has a conviction that is relevant to the nature of the Services, relevant to the work of the Customer, or is of a type otherwise advised by the Customer (each such conviction a “**Relevant Conviction**”), or is found by Contractor to have a Relevant Conviction (whether as a result of a police check, a Disclosure and Barring Service check or otherwise) is employed or engaged in the provision of any part of the Services.

Payment

All invoices should be sent, quoting a valid purchase order number (PO Number), to:

Department for International Trade c/o
UK SBS, Queensway House
West Precinct
Billingham
TS23 2NF
Email : ap@uksbs.co.uk
Telephone: 03332079122

Within ten (10) Working Days of receipt of your acceptance of this letter, we will send you a unique PO Number. You must be in receipt of a valid PO Number before submitting an invoice.

To avoid delay in payment it is important that the invoice is compliant and that it includes a valid PO Number, PO Number item number (if applicable) and the details (name and telephone number) of your Customer contact (i.e. Contract Manager). Non-compliant invoices will be sent back to you, which may lead to a delay in payment. If you have a query regarding an outstanding payment please contact our Accounts Payable section



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either by email to finance@services.uksbs.co.uk or by telephone 0333 207 9122 between 08:30-17:00 Monday to Friday.

Liaison

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We thank you for your co-operation to date, and look forward to forging a successful working relationship resulting in a smooth and successful delivery of the Services. Please confirm your acceptance of the award of this Agreement by signing and returning the enclosed copy of this letter to [THIS TEXT HAS BEEN REDACTED] shown below within seven (7) days from the date of this letter. No other form of acknowledgement will be accepted. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications relating to this Agreement.

Yours sincerely

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Department for International Trade
Old Admiralty Building
Westminster
London SW1A 2DY

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We accept the terms set out in this letter and Agreement

Signed for and on behalf of Grant Thornton UK LLP

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Date: 24/2/2022

Signed for and on behalf of the Department for International Trade

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Date: 24/2/2022



Short Form Contract (Services)

Contract for the delivery of UK-China Two Way Foreign Direct Investment Monitoring Project by Grant Thornton UK LLP to the Department for International Trade

Ref: Project_1378 / CR_1601

03/02/2022

1. Interpretation

1.1 In these terms and conditions:

Term	Description
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<p>“Agreement”</p>	<p>means the contract between (i) the Customer acting as part of the Crown and (ii) the Contractor constituted by the Contractor’s acceptance of the Award Letter;</p>
<p>“Award Letter”</p>	<p>means the letter from the Customer to the Contractor printed above these terms and conditions;</p>
<p>“Central Government Body”</p>	<p>means a body listed in one of the following sub-categories of the Central Government classification of the Public Sector Classification Guide, as published and amended from time to time by the Office for National Statistics:</p> <p>Government Department;</p> <p>Non-Departmental Public Body or Assembly Sponsored Public Body (advisory, executive, or tribunal);</p> <p>Non-Ministerial Department; or</p> <p>Executive Agency;</p>
<p>“Charges”</p>	<p>means the charges for the Services as specified in the Award Letter;</p>
<p>“Confidential Information”</p>	<p>means all information, whether written or oral (however recorded), provided by the disclosing Party to the receiving Party and which (i) is known by the receiving Party to be confidential; (ii) is marked as or stated to be confidential; or (iii) ought reasonably to be considered by the receiving Party to be confidential;</p>



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“Contractor”	means the person named as Contractor in the Award Letter;
“Controller”	take the meaning given in the GDPR

“Customer”	means the person identified in the letterhead of the Award Letter;
“CyberEssentials Certificate”	means the certification awarded on the basis of selfassessment, verified by an independent certification body, under theCyberEssentials Scheme and is the basic level of assurance;
“CyberEssentials Data”	means information as referred to in theCyberEssentials Scheme;
“CyberEssentialsScheme”	means theCyberEssentials Scheme developed by the Government which provides a clear statement of the basic controls all organisations should implement to mitigate the risk from common internet based threats. Details of theCyberEssentials scheme can be found here: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/cyberessentials-scheme-overview
“Data Loss Event”	any event that results, or may result, in unauthorised access to Personal Data held by the Processor under this Agreement, and/or actual or potential loss and/or destruction of Personal Data in breach of this Agreement, including any Personal Data Breach;



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“Data Protection Impact Assessment”	an assessment by the Controller of the impact of the envisaged processing on the protection of Personal Data;
“Data Protection Legislation”	i) the GDPR, the LED and any applicable national implementing Laws as amended from time to time (ii) the Data Protection Act (DPA) 2018 to the extent that it relates to processing of personal data and privacy; (iii) all applicable Law about the processing of personal data and privacy;
“Data Protection Officer”	take the meaning given in the GDPR;
“Data Subject”	take the meaning given in the GDPR;
“Data Subject Request”	a request made by, or on behalf of, a Data Subject in accordance with rights granted pursuant to the Data Protection Legislation to access their Personal Data;
“FOIA”	means the Freedom of Information Act 2000;



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“Force Majeure”	means any event outside the reasonable control of either Party affecting its performance of its obligations under this Agreement arising from acts, events, omissions, happenings or non-happenings beyond its reasonable control, including acts of God, riots, war or armed conflict, acts of terrorism, acts of government, local government or regulatory bodies, fire, flood, storm or earthquake, or disaster but excluding any industrial dispute relating to the Supplier or its Personnel or any other failure in the Supplier’s or a Sub-contractor’s supply chain;
“GDPR”	the General Data Protection Regulation (<i>Regulation (EU) 2016/679</i>);
“Information”	has the meaning given under section 84 of the FOIA;
“Joint Controllers”	where two or more Controllers jointly determine the purposes and means of processing;
“Law”	means any law, subordinate legislation within the meaning of Section 21(1) of the Interpretation Act 1978, bye-law, enforceable right within the meaning of Section 2 of the European Communities Act 1972, regulation, order, regulatory policy, mandatory guidance or code of practice, judgment of a relevant court of law, or directives or requirements with which the Processor is bound to comply;
“LED”	Law Enforcement Directive (<i>Directive (EU) 2016/680</i>);



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“Party”	the Contractor or the Customer (as appropriate) and “Parties” shall mean both of them;
“Personal Data”	take the meaning given in the GDPR;
“Personal Data Breach”	take the meaning given in the GDPR;
“Processor”	take the meaning given in the GDPR;
“Processor Personnel”	means all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and contractors of the Processor and/or of any Sub-Processor engaged in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement;
“Protective Measures”	appropriate technical and organisational measures which may include: pseudonymising and encrypting Personal Data, ensuring confidentiality, integrity, availability and resilience of systems and services, ensuring that availability of and access to Personal Data can be restored in a timely manner after an incident, and regularly assessing and evaluating the effectiveness of the such measures adopted by it including those outlined in Schedule 1;
“Purchase Order Number”	means the Customer’s unique number relating to the order for Goods to be supplied by the Contractor to the Customer in accordance with the terms of the Agreement;



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“Request for Information”	has the meaning set out in the FOIA or the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 as relevant (where the meaning set out for the term “request” shall apply);
“Services”	Means the services to be supplied by the Contractor to the Customer under the Agreement;
“Specification”	means the specification for the Services to be supplied by the Contractor to the Customer as specified in the Award Letter;
“Staff”	means all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and contractors of the Contractor and/or of any sub-contractor of the Contractor engaged in the performance of the Contractor’s obligations under the Agreement;



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“Staff Vetting Procedures”	means vetting procedures that accord with good industry practice or, where applicable, the Customer’s procedures for the vetting of personnel as provided to the Contractor from time to time;
“Sub-processor”	any third Party appointed to process Personal Data on behalf of that Processor related to this Agreement;
“Term”	Means the period from the start date of the Agreement set out in the Award Letter to the Expiry Date as such period may be extended in accordance with clause 4.2 or terminated in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement;
“VAT”	means value added tax in accordance with the provisions of the Value Added Tax Act 1994; and
“Working Day”	means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which banks are open for business in the City of London.

- 1.2 In these terms and conditions, unless the context otherwise requires:
- 1.3 references to numbered clauses are references to the relevant clause in these terms and conditions;
- 1.4 any obligation on any Party not to do or omit to do anything shall include an obligation not to allow that thing to be done or omitted to be done;
- 1.5 the headings to the clauses of these terms and conditions are for information only and do not affect the interpretation of the Agreement;
- 1.6 any reference to an enactment includes reference to that enactment as amended or replaced from time to time and to any subordinate legislation or byelaw made under that enactment; and
- 1.7 the word ‘including’ shall be understood as meaning ‘including without limitation’.



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2. Basis of Agreement

- 2.1 The Award Letter constitutes an offer by the Customer to purchase the Services subject to and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement.
- 2.2 The offer comprised in the Award Letter shall be deemed to be accepted by the Contractor on receipt by the Customer of a copy of the Award Letter countersigned by the Contractor within seven (7) days of the date of the Award Letter.

3. Supply of Services

- 3.1 In consideration of the Customer's agreement to pay the Charges, the Contractor shall supply the Services to the Customer subject to and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement.
- 3.2 In supplying the Services, the Contractor shall co-operate with the Customer in all matters relating to the supply of the Services and comply with all the Customer's instructions.
- 3.3 The Contractor shall supply the Services in accordance with the Specification.
- 3.4 The Contractor shall perform the Services with all reasonable care, skill and diligence in accordance with good industry practice in the Contractor's industry, profession or trade; use Staff who are suitably skilled and experienced to perform tasks assigned to them, and in sufficient number to ensure that the Contractor's obligations are fulfilled in accordance with the Agreement; and provide all equipment, tools and vehicles and other items as are required to provide the Services.

4. Term

- 4.1 The Agreement shall take effect on the date specified in Award Letter and shall expire on the Expiry Date, unless it is otherwise extended in accordance with clause 4.2 or terminated in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement.
- 4.2 The Customer may extend the Agreement for a period of up to six (6) months by giving not less than ten (10) Working Days' notice in writing to the Contractor prior to the Expiry Date. The terms and conditions of the Agreement shall apply throughout any such extended period.



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5. Charges, Payment and Recovery of Sums Due

- 5.1 The Charges for the Services shall be as set out in the Award Letter and shall be the full and exclusive remuneration of the Contractor in respect of the supply of the Services. Unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Customer, the Charges shall include every cost and expense of the Contractor directly or indirectly incurred in connection with the performance of the Services.
- 5.2 All amounts stated are exclusive of VAT which shall be charged at the prevailing rate. The Customer shall, following the receipt of a valid VAT invoice, pay to the Contractor a sum equal to the VAT chargeable in respect of the Services.
- 5.3 The Contractor shall invoice the Customer as specified in the Agreement. Each invoice shall include such supporting information required by the Customer to verify the accuracy of the invoice, including the relevant Purchase Order Number and a breakdown of the Services supplied in the invoice period.
- 5.4 In consideration of the supply of the Services by the Contractor, the Customer shall pay the Contractor the invoiced amounts no later than thirty (30) days after verifying that the invoice is valid and undisputed and includes a valid Purchase Order Number. The Customer may, without prejudice to any other rights and remedies under the Agreement, withhold or reduce payments in the event of unsatisfactory performance.
- 5.5 If the Customer fails to consider and verify an invoice in a timely fashion the invoice shall be regarded as valid and undisputed for the purpose of paragraph 5.4 after a reasonable time has passed.
- 5.6 If there is a dispute between the Parties as to the amount invoiced, the Customer shall pay the undisputed amount. The Contractor shall not suspend the supply of the Services unless the Contractor is entitled to terminate the Agreement for a failure to pay undisputed sums in accordance with clause 16.4. Any disputed amounts shall be resolved through the dispute resolution procedure detailed in clause 19.
- 5.7 If a payment of an undisputed amount is not made by the Customer by the due date, then the Customer shall pay the Contractor interest at the interest rate specified in the Late Payment of Commercial Debts (Interest) Act 1998.
- 5.8 Where the Contractor enters into a sub-contract, the Contractor shall include in that sub-contract:
- 5.9 provisions having the same effects as clauses 5.3 to 5.7 of this Agreement; and



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- 5.10 a provision requiring the counterparty to that sub-contract to include in any subcontract which it awards provisions having the same effect as 5.3 to 5.8 of this Agreement.
- 5.11 In this clause 5.8, “sub-contract” means a contract between two or more Contractors, at any stage of remoteness from the Authority in a subcontracting chain, made wholly or substantially for the purpose of performing (or contributing to the performance of) the whole or any part of this Agreement.
- 5.12 If any sum of money is recoverable from or payable by the Contractor under the Agreement (including any sum which the Contractor is liable to pay to the Customer in respect of any breach of the Agreement), that sum may be deducted unilaterally by the Customer from any sum then due, or which may come due, to the Contractor under the Agreement or under any other agreement or contract with the Customer. The Contractor shall not be entitled to assert any credit, set-off or counterclaim against the Customer in order to justify withholding payment of any such amount in whole or in part.

6. Premises and equipment

- 6.1 If necessary, the Customer shall provide the Contractor with reasonable access at reasonable times to its premises for the purpose of supplying the Services. All equipment, tools and vehicles brought onto the Customer’s premises by the Contractor or the Staff shall be at the Contractor’s risk.
- 6.2 If the Contractor supplies all or any of the Services at or from the Customer’s premises, on completion of the Services or termination or expiry of the Agreement (whichever is the earlier) the Contractor shall vacate the Customer’s premises, remove the Contractor’s plant, equipment and unused materials and all rubbish arising out of the provision of the Services and leave the Customer’s premises in a clean, safe and tidy condition. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for making good any damage to the Customer’s premises or any objects contained on the Customer’s premises which is caused by the Contractor or any Staff, other than fair wear and tear.
- 6.3 If the Contractor supplies all or any of the Services at or from its premises or the premises of a third party, the Customer may, during normal business hours and on reasonable notice, inspect and examine the manner in which the relevant Services are supplied at or from the relevant premises.
- 6.4 The Customer shall be responsible for maintaining the security of its premises in accordance with its standard security requirements. While on the Customer’s premises the Contractor shall, and shall procure that all Staff shall, comply with all the Customer’s security requirements.



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- 6.5 Where all or any of the Services are supplied from the Contractor's premises, the Contractor shall, at its own cost, comply with all security requirements specified by the Customer in writing.
- 6.6 Without prejudice, any equipment provided by the Customer for the purposes of the Agreement shall remain the property of the Customer and shall be used by the Contractor and the Staff only for the purpose of carrying out the Agreement. Such equipment shall be returned promptly to the Customer on expiry or termination of the Agreement.
- 6.7 The Contractor shall reimburse the Customer for any loss or damage to the equipment (other than deterioration resulting from normal and proper use) caused by the Contractor or any Staff. Equipment supplied by the Customer shall be deemed to be in a good condition when received by the Contractor or relevant Staff unless the Customer is notified otherwise in writing within five (5) Working Days.

7. Staff and Key Personnel

- 7.1 If the Customer reasonably believes that any of the Staff are unsuitable to undertake work in respect of the Agreement, it may, by giving written notice to the Contractor:
- a. refuse admission to the relevant person(s) to the Customer's premises;
 - b. direct the Contractor to end the involvement in the provision of the Services of the relevant person(s); and/or
 - c. require that the Contractor replace any person removed under this clause with another suitably qualified person and procure that any security pass issued by the Customer to the person removed is surrendered,
 - d. and the Contractor shall comply with any such notice.
- 7.2 The Contractor shall:
- a. ensure that all Staff are vetted in accordance with the Staff Vetting Procedures;
 - b. if requested, provide the Customer with a list of the names and addresses (and any other relevant information) of all persons who may require admission to the Customer's premises in connection with the Agreement; and
 - c. procure that all Staff comply with any rules, regulations and requirements reasonably specified by the Customer.



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- 7.3 Any Key Personnel shall not be released from supplying the Services without the agreement of the Customer, except by reason of long-term sickness, maternity leave, paternity leave, termination of employment or other extenuating circumstances.
- 7.4 Any replacements to the Key Personnel shall be subject to the prior written agreement of the Customer (not to be unreasonably withheld). Such replacements shall be of at least equal status or of equivalent experience and skills to the Key Personnel being replaced and be suitable for the responsibilities of that person in relation to the Services.

8. Assignment and sub-contracting

- 8.1 The Contractor shall not without the written consent of the Customer assign, subcontract, novate or in any way dispose of the benefit and/ or the burden of the Agreement or any part of the Agreement. The Customer may, in the granting of such consent, provide for additional terms and conditions relating to such assignment, subcontract, novation or disposal. The Contractor shall be responsible for the acts and omissions of its sub-contractors as though those acts and omissions were its own.
- 8.2 Where the Customer has consented to the placing of sub-contracts, the Contractor shall, at the request of the Customer, send copies of each sub-contract, to the Customer as soon as is reasonably practicable.
- 8.3 The Customer may assign, novate, or otherwise dispose of its rights and obligations under the Agreement without the consent of the Contractor provided that such assignment, novation or disposal shall not increase the burden of the Contractor's obligations under the Agreement.

9. Intellectual Property Rights

- 9.1 All Intellectual Property Rights in:
- (a) the Results and/or Deliverables; or
 - (b) any guidance, specifications, reports, studies, instructions, toolkits, plans, data, drawings, databases, patents, patterns, models, designs or other material which is furnished to or made available to the Contractor by or on behalf of the Customer (together with the Results, the "IP Materials")

shall vest in the Customer (save for Copyright and Database Rights which shall vest in Her Majesty the Queen) and the Contractor shall not, and shall ensure that the



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Staff shall not, use or disclose any IP Materials without Approval save to the extent necessary for performance by the Contractor of its obligations under the Contract.

9.2 The Contractor hereby assigns:

(a) to the Customer, with full title guarantee, all Intellectual Property Rights (save for Copyright and Database Rights) which may subsist in the IP Materials prepared in accordance with clauses 9.1(a) and (b). This assignment shall take effect on the date of the Contract or (in the case of rights arising after the date of the Contract) as a present assignment of future rights that will take effect immediately on the coming into existence of the Intellectual Property Rights produced by the Contractor; and

(b) to Her Majesty the Queen, with full title guarantee, all Copyright and Database Rights which may subsist in the IP Materials prepared in accordance with clauses 9.1 (a) and (b)

9.3 And shall execute all documents and do all acts as are necessary to execute these assignments

9.4 The Contractor shall:

(a) waive or procure a waiver of any moral rights held by it or any third party in copyright material arising as a result of the Contract or the performance of its obligations under the Contract;

(b) ensure that the third party owner of any Intellectual Property Rights that are or which may be used to perform the Services grants to the Customer a non-exclusive licence or, if itself a licensee of those rights, shall grant to the Customer an authorised sub-licence, to use, reproduce, modify, develop and maintain the Intellectual Property Rights in the same. Such licence or sub-licence shall be nonexclusive, perpetual, royalty-free, worldwide and irrevocable and shall include the right for the Customer to sub-license, transfer, novate or assign to other Contracting Authorities, the Crown, the Replacement Contractor or to any other third party supplying goods and/or services to the Customer ("Indemnified Persons");

(c) not infringe any Intellectual Property Rights of any third party in supplying the Services; and

(d) during and after the Contract Period, indemnify and keep indemnified the Customer and the Indemnified Persons from and against all actions, suits, claims, demands, losses, charges, damages, costs and expenses and other



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liabilities which the Customer or Indemnified Persons may suffer or incur as a result of or in connection with any breach of this clause 9.4, except to the extent that any such claim results directly from:

- i) items or materials based upon designs supplied by the Customer; or
- ii) the use of data supplied by the Customer which is not required to be verified by the Contractor under any provision of the Contract.

9.5 The Customer shall notify the Contractor in writing of any claim or demand brought against the Customer for infringement or alleged infringement of any Intellectual Property Right in materials supplied and/or licensed by the Contractor to the Customer.

9.6 The Contractor shall at its own expense conduct all negotiations and any litigation arising in connection with any claim, demand or action by any third party for infringement or alleged infringement of any third party Intellectual Property Rights (whether by the Customer, the Contractor or Indemnified Person) arising from the performance of the Contractor's obligations under the Contract ("Third Party IP Claim"), provided that the Contractor shall at all times:

(a) consult the Customer on all material issues which arise during the conduct of such litigation and negotiations;

(b) take due and proper account of the interests of the Customer; and

(c) not settle or compromise any claim without Approval (not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed).

9.7 The Customer shall at the request of the Contractor afford to the Contractor all reasonable assistance for the purpose of contesting any Third Party IP Claim and the Contractor shall indemnify the Customer for all costs and expenses (including, but not limited to, legal costs and disbursements) incurred in doing so. The Contractor shall not be required to indemnify the Customer under this clause 9.6 in relation to any costs and expenses to the extent that such arise directly from the matters referred to in clauses 9.3(d) i) and ii).

9.8 The Customer shall not, without the Contractor's consent, make any admissions which may be prejudicial to the defence or settlement of any Third Party IP Claim.

9.9 If any Third Party IP Claim is made or in the reasonable opinion of the Contractor is likely to be made, the Contractor shall notify the Customer and any relevant



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Indemnified Person, at its own expense and subject to Approval (not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed), shall (without prejudice to the rights of the Customer under clause 9.3(b) use its best endeavours to:

(a) modify any or all of the Services without reducing the performance or functionality of the same, or substitute alternative services of equivalent performance and functionality, so as to avoid the infringement or the alleged infringement; or

(b) procure a licence to use the Intellectual Property Rights and supply the Services which are the subject of the alleged infringement, on terms which are acceptable to the Customer;

and if the Contractor is unable to comply with clauses 9.8(a) or (b) within twenty (20) Working Days of receipt by the Customer of the Contractor's notification the Customer may terminate the Contract immediately by notice to the Contractor.

9.10 The Contractor grants to the Customer and, if requested by the Customer, to a Replacement Contractor, a royalty-free, irrevocable, worldwide, non-exclusive licence (with a right to sub-license) to use any Intellectual Property Rights that the Contractor owned or developed prior to the Commencement Date and which the Customer (or the Replacement Contractor) reasonably requires in order for the Customer to exercise its rights under, and receive the benefit of, the Contract (including, without limitation, the Services).

10. Governance and Records

10.1 The Contractor shall:

- a. attend progress meetings with the Customer at the frequency and times specified by the Customer and shall ensure that its representatives are suitably qualified to attend such meetings; and
- b. submit progress reports to the Customer at the times and in the format specified by the Customer.

10.2 The Contractor shall keep and maintain until six (6) years after the end of the Agreement, or as long a period as may be agreed between the Parties, full and accurate records of the Agreement including the Services supplied under it and all payments made by the Customer. The Contractor shall on request afford the



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Customer or the Customer's representatives such access to those records as may be reasonably requested by the Customer in connection with the Agreement.

11. Confidentiality, Transparency and Publicity

11.1 Subject to clause 11b, each Party shall:

- a. treat all Confidential Information it receives as confidential, safeguard it accordingly and not disclose it to any other person without the prior written permission of the disclosing Party; and
- b. not use or exploit the disclosing Party's Confidential Information in any way except for the purposes anticipated under the Agreement.

11.2 Notwithstanding clause 11.1, a Party may disclose Confidential Information which it receives from the other Party:

- a. where disclosure is required by applicable law or by a court of competent jurisdiction;
- b. to its auditors or for the purposes of regulatory requirements;
- c. on a confidential basis, to its professional advisers;
- d. to the Serious Fraud Office where the Party has reasonable grounds to believe that the other Party is involved in activity that may constitute a criminal offence under the Bribery Act 2010;
- e. where the receiving Party is the Contractor, to the Staff on a need to know basis to enable performance of the Contractor's obligations under the Agreement provided that the Contractor shall procure that any Staff to whom it discloses Confidential Information pursuant to this clause shall observe the Contractor's confidentiality obligations under the Agreement; and

11.3 where the receiving Party is the Customer:

- a. on a confidential basis to the employees, agents, consultants and contractors of the Customer;
- b. on a confidential basis to any other Central Government Body, any successor body to a Central Government Body or any company to which the Customer transfers or proposes to transfer all or any part of its business;
- c. to the extent that the Customer (acting reasonably) deems disclosure necessary or appropriate in the course of carrying out its public functions; or



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d. in accordance with clause 11.2.

and for the purposes of the foregoing, references to disclosure on a confidential basis shall mean disclosure subject to a confidentiality agreement or arrangement containing terms no less stringent than those placed on the Customer under this clause 11.

- 11.4 The Parties acknowledge that, except for any Information which is exempt from disclosure in accordance with the provisions of the FOIA, the content of the Agreement is not Confidential Information and the Contractor hereby gives its consent for the Customer to publish the Agreement in its entirety to the general public (but with any Information that is exempt from disclosure in accordance with the FOIA redacted) including any changes to the Agreement agreed from time to time. The Customer may consult with the Contractor to inform its decision regarding any redactions but shall have the final decision in its absolute discretion whether any of the content of the Agreement is exempt from disclosure in accordance with the provisions of the FOIA.
- 11.5 The Contractor shall not, and shall take reasonable steps to ensure that the Staff shall not, make any press announcement or publicise the Agreement or any part of the Agreement in any way, except with the prior written consent of the Customer.

12. Freedom of Information

12.1 The Contractor acknowledges that the Customer is subject to the requirements of the FOIA and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 and shall:

- 12.1.1 provide all necessary assistance and cooperation as reasonably requested by the Customer to enable the Customer to comply with its obligations under the FOIA and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004;
- 12.1.2 transfer to the Customer all Requests for Information relating to the Agreement that it receives as soon as practicable and in any event within 2 Working Days of receipt;
- 12.1.3 provide the Customer with a copy of all Information belonging to the Customer requested in the Request for Information which is in its possession or control in the form that the Customer requires within 5 Working Days (or such other period as the Customer may reasonably specify) of the Customer's request for such Information; and
- 12.1.4 not respond directly to a Request for Information unless authorised in writing to do so by the Customer.



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- 12.2 The Contractor acknowledges that the Customer may be required under the FOIA and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 to disclose Information concerning the Contractor or the Goods (including commercially sensitive information) without consulting or obtaining consent from the Contractor. In these circumstances the Customer shall, in accordance with any relevant guidance issued under the FOIA, take reasonable steps, where appropriate, to give the Contractor advance notice, or failing that, to draw the disclosure to the Contractor's attention after any such disclosure
- 12.3 Notwithstanding any other provision in the Agreement, the Customer shall be responsible for determining in its absolute discretion whether any Information relating to the Contractor or the Goods is exempt from disclosure in accordance with the FOIA and/or the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

13. Data Protection

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- 13.1 The Parties acknowledge that for the purposes of the Data Protection Legislation, the Customer is the Controller and the Contractor is the Processor unless otherwise specified in Schedule 1. The only processing that the Processor is authorised to do is listed in Schedule 1 by the Controller and may not be determined by the Processor.
- 13.2 The Processor shall notify the Controller immediately if it considers that any of the Controller's instructions infringe the Data Protection Legislation.
- 13.3 The Processor shall provide all reasonable assistance to the Controller in the preparation of any Data Protection Impact Assessment prior to commencing any processing. Such assistance may, at the discretion of the Controller, include:
- (a) a systematic description of the envisaged processing operations and the purpose of the processing;
 - (b) an assessment of the necessity and proportionality of the processing operations in relation to the Services;
 - (c) an assessment of the risks to the rights and freedoms of Data Subjects; and
 - (d) the measures envisaged to address the risks, including safeguards, security measures and mechanisms to ensure the protection of Personal Data.
- 13.4 The Processor shall, in relation to any Personal Data processed in connection with its obligations under this Agreement:



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- (a) process that Personal Data only in accordance with Schedule 1, unless the Processor is required to do otherwise by Law. If it is so required the Processor shall promptly notify the Controller before processing the Personal Data unless prohibited by Law;
- (b) ensure that it has in place Protective Measures, which are appropriate to protect against a Data Loss Event, which the Controller may reasonably reject (but failure to reject shall not amount to approval by the Controller of the adequacy of the Protective Measures), having taken account of the:
 - (i) nature of the data to be protected;
 - (ii) harm that might result from a Data Loss Event;
 - (iii) state of technological development; and
 - (iv) cost of implementing any measures;
- (c) ensure that:
 - (i) the Processor Personnel do not process Personal Data except in accordance with this Agreement (and in particular Schedule 1;
 - (ii) it takes all reasonable steps to ensure the reliability and integrity of any Processor Personnel who have access to the Personal Data and ensure that they:
 - (A) are aware of and comply with the Processor's duties under this clause;
 - (B) are subject to appropriate confidentiality undertakings with the Processor or any Sub-processor;
 - (C) are informed of the confidential nature of the Personal Data and do not publish, disclose or divulge any of the Personal Data to any third Party unless directed in writing to do so by the Controller or as otherwise permitted by this Agreement; and
 - (D) have undergone adequate training in the use, care, protection and handling of Personal Data; and
- (d) not transfer Personal Data outside of the EU unless the prior written consent of the Controller has been obtained and the following conditions are fulfilled:



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- (i) the Controller or the Processor has provided appropriate safeguards in relation to the transfer (whether in accordance with GDPR Article 46 or LED Article 37) as determined by the Controller;
 - (ii) the Data Subject has enforceable rights and effective legal remedies;
 - (iii) the Processor complies with its obligations under the Data Protection Legislation by providing an adequate level of protection to any Personal Data that is transferred (or, if it is not so bound, uses its best endeavours to assist the Controller in meeting its obligations); and
 - (iv) the Processor complies with any reasonable instructions notified to it in advance by the Controller with respect to the processing of the Personal Data;
- (e) at the written direction of the Controller, delete or return Personal Data (and any copies of it) to the Controller on termination of the Agreement unless the Processor is required by Law to retain the Personal Data.

13.5 Subject to clause 13.6, the Processor shall notify the Controller immediately if it:

- (a) receives a Data Subject Request (or purported Data Subject Request);
- (b) receives a request to rectify, block or erase any Personal Data;
- (c) receives any other request, complaint or communication relating to either Party's obligations under the Data Protection Legislation;
- (d) receives any communication from the Information Commissioner or any other regulatory authority in connection with Personal Data processed under this Agreement;
- (e) receives a request from any third Party for disclosure of Personal Data where compliance with such request is required or purported to be required by Law; or
- (f) becomes aware of a Data Loss Event.

13.6 The Processor's obligation to notify under clause 13.5 shall include the provision of further information to the Controller in phases, as details become available.

13.7 Taking into account the nature of the processing, the Processor shall provide the Controller with full assistance in relation to either Party's obligations under Data Protection Legislation and any complaint, communication or request made under clause 1.5 (and insofar as possible within the timescales reasonably required by the Controller) including by promptly providing:



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- (a) the Controller with full details and copies of the complaint, communication or request;
- (b) such assistance as is reasonably requested by the Controller to enable the Controller to comply with a Data Subject Request within the relevant timescales set out in the Data Protection Legislation;
- (c) the Controller, at its request, with any Personal Data it holds in relation to a Data Subject;
- (d) assistance as requested by the Controller following any Data Loss Event;
- (e) assistance as requested by the Controller with respect to any request from the Information Commissioner's Office, or any consultation by the Controller with the Information Commissioner's Office.

13.8 The Processor shall maintain complete and accurate records and information to demonstrate its compliance with this clause. This requirement does not apply where the Processor employs fewer than 250 staff, unless:

- (a) the Controller determines that the processing is not occasional;
- (b) the Controller determines the processing includes special categories of data as referred to in Article 9(1) of the GDPR or Personal Data relating to criminal convictions and offences referred to in Article 10 of the GDPR; or
- (d) the Controller determines that the processing is likely to result in a risk to the rights and freedoms of Data Subjects.

13.9 The Processor shall allow for audits of its Data Processing activity by the Controller or the Controller's designated auditor.

13.10 Each Party shall designate its own data protection officer if required by the Data Protection Legislation.

13.11 Before allowing any Sub-processor to process any Personal Data related to this Agreement, the Processor must:

- (a) notify the Controller in writing of the intended Sub-processor and processing;
- (b) obtain the written consent of the Controller;
- (c) enter into a written agreement with the Sub-processor which give effect to the terms set out in this clause 13 such that they apply to the Sub-processor; and



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(d) provide the Controller with such information regarding the Sub-processor as the Controller may reasonably require.

13.12 The Processor shall remain fully liable for all acts or omissions of any of its Subprocessors.

13.13 The Controller may, at any time on not less than 30 Working Days' notice, revise this clause by replacing it with any applicable controller to processor standard clauses or similar terms forming part of an applicable certification scheme (which shall apply when incorporated by attachment to this Agreement).

13.14 The Parties agree to take account of any guidance issued by the Information Commissioner's Office. The Controller may on not less than 30 Working Days' notice to the Processor amend this agreement to ensure that it complies with any guidance issued by the Information Commissioner's Office.

13.15 Where the Parties include two or more Joint Controllers as identified in Schedule 1 in accordance with GDPR Article 26, those Parties shall enter into a Joint Controller Agreement based on the terms outlined in Schedule 2 in replacement of Clauses 13.1-13.14 for the Personal Data under Joint Control.

14. Liability

14.1 Neither party shall be responsible for any injury, loss, damage, cost or expense suffered by the other party if and to the extent that it is caused by the negligence or wilful misconduct of such party or by breach by such party of its obligations under the Agreement.

14.2 Subject always to clauses 14.3 and 14.4:

14.2.1 the aggregate liability of the Contractor in respect of all defaults, claims, losses or damages howsoever caused, whether arising from breach of the Agreement, the supply or failure to supply of the Services, misrepresentation (whether tortious or statutory), tort (including negligence), breach of statutory duty or otherwise shall in no event exceed a sum equal to 125% of the Charges paid or payable to the Contractor; and

14.2.2 the aggregate liability of the Customer in respect of all defaults, claims, losses or damages howsoever caused, whether arising from breach of the Agreement, the supply or failure to supply of the Services, misrepresentation (whether tortious or statutory), tort (including negligence), breach of statutory



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duty or otherwise shall in no event exceed a sum equal to the Charges paid or payable to the Contractor;

and except in the case of claims arising against the Contractor under clauses 9.4 and 18.3, in no event shall either party be liable to the other for any indirect, special or consequential loss or damage.

14.3 Nothing in the Agreement shall be construed to limit or exclude either Party's liability for:

14.3.1 death or personal injury caused by its negligence or that of its Staff;

14.3.2 fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation by it or that of its Staff; or

14.3.3 any other matter which, by law, may not be excluded or limited.

14.4 The Contractor's liability under the indemnity in clause 9.4 shall be unlimited

15. Force Majeure

The Neither Party shall have any liability under or be deemed to be in breach of the Agreement for any delays or failures in performance of the Agreement which result from circumstances beyond the reasonable control of the Party affected. Each Party shall promptly notify the other Party in writing when such circumstances cause a delay or failure in performance and when they cease to do so. If such circumstances continue for a continuous period of more than two months, either Party may terminate the Agreement by written notice to the other Party.

The Customer shall not accept that EU exit is either a force majeure event or a frustration event, as the likely consequences of this process have been widely aired in public for some time, all suppliers have had ample time to plan for continuation of service and performance of contracts will still be possible in most cases.

16. Termination

16.1 The Customer may terminate the Agreement at any time by notice in writing to the Contractor to take effect on any date falling at least 1 month (or, if the Agreement is less than three (3) months in duration, at least ten (10) Working Days) later than the date of service of the relevant notice.

16.2 Without prejudice to any other right or remedy it might have, the Customer may terminate the Agreement by written notice to the Contractor with immediate effect if the Contractor:



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- 16.2.1 (without prejudice to clause 16.2.5), is in material breach of any obligation under the Agreement which is not capable of remedy;
- 16.2.2 repeatedly breaches any of the terms and conditions of the Agreement in such a manner as to reasonably justify the opinion that its conduct is inconsistent with it having the intention or ability to give effect to the terms and conditions of the Agreement;
- 16.2.3 is in material breach of any obligation which is capable of remedy, and that breach is not remedied within 30 days of the Contractor receiving notice specifying the breach and requiring it to be remedied;
- 16.2.4 undergoes a change of control within the meaning of section 416 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988;
- 16.2.5 breaches any of the provisions of clauses 7.2, 11, 12, 13 and 17;
- 16.2.6 becomes insolvent, or if an order is made or a resolution is passed for the winding up of the Contractor (other than voluntarily for the purpose of solvent amalgamation or reconstruction), or if an administrator or administrative receiver is appointed in respect of the whole or any part of the Contractor's assets or business, or if the Contractor makes any composition with its creditors or takes or suffers any similar or analogous action (to any of the actions detailed in this clause 16.2.6) in consequence of debt in any jurisdiction; or
- 16.2.7 fails to comply with legal obligations in the fields of environmental, social or labour law.
- 16.3 The Contractor shall notify the Customer as soon as practicable of any change of control as referred to in clause 16.2.4 or any potential such change of control.
- 16.4 The Contractor may terminate the Agreement by written notice to the Customer if the Customer has not paid any undisputed amounts within 90 days of them falling due.
- 16.5 Termination or expiry of the Agreement shall be without prejudice to the rights of either Party accrued prior to termination or expiry and shall not affect the continuing rights of the Parties under this clause and clauses 2, 3.2, 6.1, 6.2, 6.6, 6.7, 7, 9, 10.2, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16.6, 17.4, 18.3, 19 and 20.7 or any other provision of the Agreement that either expressly or by implication has effect after termination.
- 16.6 Upon termination or expiry of the Agreement, the Contractor shall:



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16.6.1 give all reasonable assistance to the Customer and any incoming Contractor of the Services; and

16.6.2 return all requested documents, information and data to the Customer as soon as reasonably practicable.

17. Compliance

17.1 The Contractor shall promptly notify the Customer of any health and safety hazards which may arise in connection with the performance of its obligations under the Agreement. The Customer shall promptly notify the Contractor of any health and safety hazards which may exist or arise at the Customer's premises and which may affect the Contractor in the performance of its obligations under the Agreement.

17.2 The Contractor shall:

17.2.1 comply with all the Customer's health and safety measures while on the Customer's premises; and

17.2.2 notify the Customer immediately in the event of any incident occurring in the performance of its obligations under the Agreement on the Customer's premises where that incident causes any personal injury or damage to property which could give rise to personal injury.

17.3 The Contractor shall:

17.3.1 perform its obligations under the Agreement in accordance with all applicable equality Law and the Customer's equality and diversity policy as provided to the Contractor from time to time; and

17.3.2 take all reasonable steps to secure the observance of clause 17.3.1 by all Staff.

17.4 The Contractor shall supply the Services in accordance with the Customer's environmental policy as provided to the Contractor from time to time.

17.5 The Contractor shall comply with, and shall ensure that its Staff shall comply with, the provisions of:

17.6 the Official Secrets Acts 1911 to 1989; and

17.7 section 182 of the Finance Act 1989



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18. Prevention of Fraud and Corruption

- 18.1 The Contractor shall not offer, give, or agree to give anything, to any person an inducement or reward for doing, refraining from doing, or for having done or refrained from doing, any act in relation to the obtaining or execution of the Agreement or for showing or refraining from showing favour or disfavour to any person in relation to the Agreement.
- 18.2 The Contractor shall take all reasonable steps, in accordance with good industry practice, to prevent fraud by the Staff and the Contractor (including its shareholders, members and directors) in connection with the Agreement and shall notify the Customer immediately if it has reason to suspect that any fraud has occurred or is occurring or is likely to occur.
- 18.3 If the Contractor or the Staff engages in conduct prohibited by clause 18.1 or commits fraud in relation to the Agreement or any other contract with the Crown (including the Customer) the Customer may:
- 18.3.1 terminate the Agreement and recover from the Contractor the amount of any loss suffered by the Customer resulting from the termination, including the cost reasonably incurred by the Customer of making other arrangements for the supply of the Services and any additional expenditure incurred by the Customer throughout the remainder of the Agreement; or
 - 18.3.2 recover in full from the Contractor any other loss sustained by the Customer in consequence of any breach of this clause.

19. Dispute Resolution

- 19.1 The Parties shall attempt in good faith to negotiate a settlement to any dispute between them arising out of or in connection with the Agreement and such efforts shall involve the escalation of the dispute to an appropriately senior representative of each Party.
- 19.2 If the dispute cannot be resolved by the Parties within one month of being escalated as referred to in clause 19.1, the dispute may by agreement between the Parties be referred to a neutral adviser or mediator (the "Mediator") chosen by agreement between the Parties. All negotiations connected with the dispute shall be conducted in confidence and without prejudice to the rights of the Parties in any further proceedings.



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19.3 If the Parties fail to appoint a Mediator within one month, or fail to enter into a written agreement resolving the dispute within one month of the Mediator being appointed, either Party may exercise any remedy it has under applicable law.

20. General

20.1 Each of the Parties represents and warrants to the other that it has full capacity and authority, and all necessary consents, licences and permissions to enter into and perform its obligations under the Agreement, and that the Agreement is executed by its duly authorised representative.

20.2 A person who is not a party to the Agreement shall have no right to enforce any of its provisions which, expressly or by implication, confer a benefit on him, without the prior written agreement of the Parties.

20.3 The Agreement cannot be varied except in writing signed by a duly authorised representative of both the Parties.

20.4 The Agreement contains the whole agreement between the Parties and supersedes and replaces any prior written or oral agreements, representations or understandings between them. The Parties confirm that they have not entered into the Agreement on the basis of any representation that is not expressly incorporated into the Agreement. Nothing in this clause shall exclude liability for fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation.

20.5 Any waiver or relaxation either partly, or wholly of any of the terms and conditions of the Agreement shall be valid only if it is communicated to the other Party in writing and expressly stated to be a waiver. A waiver of any right or remedy arising from a breach of contract shall not constitute a waiver of any right or remedy arising from any other breach of the Agreement.

20.6 The Agreement shall not constitute or imply any partnership, joint venture, agency, fiduciary relationship or other relationship between the Parties other than the contractual relationship expressly provided for in the Agreement. Neither Party shall have, nor represent that it has, any authority to make any commitments on the other Party's behalf.

20.7 Except as otherwise expressly provided by the Agreement, all remedies available to either Party for breach of the Agreement (whether under the Agreement, statute or common law) are cumulative and may be exercised concurrently or separately, and the exercise of one remedy shall not be deemed an election of such remedy to the exclusion of other remedies.



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20.8 If any provision of the Agreement is prohibited by law or judged by a court to be unlawful, void or unenforceable, the provision shall, to the extent required, be severed from the Agreement and rendered ineffective as far as possible without modifying the remaining provisions of the Agreement, and shall not in any way affect any other circumstances of or the validity or enforcement of the Agreement.

21. Notices

21.1 Any notice to be given under the Agreement shall be in writing and may be served by personal delivery, first class recorded or, subject to clause 21.3, e-mail to the address of the relevant Party set out in the Award Letter, or such other address as that Party may from time to time notify to the other Party in accordance with this clause.

21.2 Notices served as above shall be deemed served on the Working Day of delivery provided delivery is before 5.00pm on a Working Day. Otherwise delivery shall be deemed to occur on the next Working Day. An email shall be deemed delivered when sent unless an error message is received.

21.3 Notices under clauses 15 **Error! Reference source not found.** (Force Majeure) and 16 (Termination) may be served by email only if the original notice is then sent to the recipient by personal delivery or recorded delivery in the manner set out in clause 21.1.

22. Governing Law and Jurisdiction

The validity, construction and performance of the Agreement, and all contractual and non contractual matters arising out of it, shall be governed by English law and shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts to which the Parties submit.



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Appendix 1: Specification of Requirement

Background / Policy context

The Department for International Trade (DIT) is seeking to more comprehensively monitor and analyse foreign direct investment (FDI) flows between the UK and China. Official national statistics on FDI flows are published infrequently, released in relatively slow time and aggregated at a high level. This project seeks to deliver more regular, timely and detailed data with accompanying analysis on two-way UK-China FDI flows providing a stronger evidence base to support FDI into the UK, outwards FDI involving UK companies and wider investment policy work.

Project Aims

This project will provide a wide range of benefits including:

- Better direction of DIT's FDI, ODI and Capital Investment support activities as well as understanding the impact of such activities.
- Improved monitoring and understanding of two-way UK-China investment patterns, particularly of investors / investments in which DIT does not play a supporting role.
- Improved understanding of UK-China M&A patterns and investor preferences.
- Improved monitoring of UK investment patterns in China; leading to improved prioritisation of in-market business environment and market access work
- Improved understanding and monitoring of UK-China investment trends with significant policy implications.
- Improved monitoring of impacts on investment trends and patterns arising from investment relevant policy changes in the UK or China.
- Improve the evidence base with which to engage internal and external stakeholders.
- Provide secondary benefits to other government departments through improved internal knowledge.

Project objectives

For the duration of the project term, the project supplier will deliver a quarterly monitoring service of UK-China investment flows that provides frequent, timely and detailed raw data on investment deals in both directions (with accompanying deal characteristics) and summary analysis.



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Research Questions

Core data: Over the term of the monitoring project, the supplier will produce a dataset each quarter that includes:

- Project level Granularity: this dataset will include individual line-by-line entries for each foreign direct investment within the scope and above the agreed minimum project value threshold (for example £1 million, or lower).
- Primary Investment Characteristics: for each project line-entry, this dataset will include: the Value of the Investment; Date of investment; Name of investing company; Name of other relevant investment transaction parties such as the target company (if acquisition); Sector / industry of investment parties; Type of investment made (Greenfield vs Acquisition); Location of investment project and/or company acquired; and Location of HQ of investing company.
- Secondary Investment Characteristics: we are also seeking to maximise information on secondary deal characteristics, and invite suppliers to suggest which criteria data they can provide based on their own capability. For example, this information might include: resulting ownership stake / structure of investment project or target (e.g. minority, majority, exact % share); nature of investing enterprise, investment target and/or other significant stakeholders in the project or target (Private, State-owned, JV, etc); information on the number of jobs created and/or saved as part of the investment; and relevant information concerning the existing international footprint of the transaction parties (for example whether they are a first time or experienced investor).

Analysis: Over the term of the monitoring project, each quarter the supplier will provide a concise summary analysis note and analyst time to discuss findings via a call. At the end of each calendar year, the supplier will provide a year-end summary analysis note. These notes could include:

- Key trends in UK-China bilateral FDI over the relevant period (e.g. overall levels, sector pattern, significant trends in secondary characteristics). Highlights of key policy developments, and policy-relevant deals or trends.
- Comparisons with broader patterns of Chinese investment.

Additional / Preferred: Based on individual suppliers capabilities, more frequent updates based on the core dataset and additional data, reports and/or research capability beyond the core datasets and analysis would be highly preferable and will improve the competitiveness of a supplier's bid.

- Additional and more regular investment updates, for example monthly updates of the core investment dataset without summary analysis.



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- Additional data and/or analysis on China's investment with other significant partners and/or regions.
- Additional historical data and/or analysis on UK-China investment patterns to enable comparisons (aggregate level or individual transactions).
- Data, research or analysis on additional forms of non-FDI investment (such as portfolio, PE or VC).
- Access to existing investment research produced by the bidder.
- Additional analyst hours to be used on bespoke research / tasks

Methodology

Tenderers should propose research and data collection solutions based on their own methodology, technical capabilities and network (methods might, for examples, include datamining, web-scraping, statistical and research methods, or industry contacts). Data on the primary and secondary characteristics of individual transactions should be based on official announcements or on best-available estimates. The sources used in compiling the data may include (although should not necessarily be limited to):

- Press reports
- Official press releases
- Official company / corporate filings
- Company / corporate reports
- Official national statistics
- Industry groups and associations
- Industry experts / academics
- Business contacts

The FDI data produced should include M&A deals, greenfield FDI projects and Expansions (with the nature of each deal clearly marked inside the dataset). Investments should be calculated on an Ultimate Investor Location basis (i.e. not an Immediate Investor Location basis) to account for the use of third locations to route investment flows. Tenderers should explain and justify their methodology for calculating and presenting statistics within their bid.



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Summary analysis notes should combine quantitative analysis of the collected data with relevant qualitative industry knowledge and policy analysis.

This is a suggested methodology and we would welcome tenderers alternative suggestions within their methodology response, providing that they also meet the project aims and objectives. Tenderers should justify why they have suggested an alternative approach.

Given the scope of the project, we would welcome bids that include subcontracting arrangements. Contractors should ensure that they have knowledge and experience of FDI investment data and policy, including qualitative and quantitative research skills. Bids should contain the necessary skills and experience to deliver the project in a robust and rigorous way. Where multiple organisations are involved in a bid, it must be clear how the different strands of the team will link and work together.

Deliverables

Proposals should include the following outputs.

Quarterly data:

- Aggregate data on the levels of UK-China FDI flows.
- Disaggregated data on the value of all the individual two-way FDI transactions whose value is above a set threshold to be agreed with the supplier (for example £1 million, or lower)
- Primary and secondary characteristics of each deal, such as: name of transaction parties, location, industrial sector, nature of investment, etc.

Format: Each quarter the supplier will provide data in an accessible format such as Excel or CSV files.

This is our preferred style of presenting the information, but we would welcome tenderers to suggest alternative and innovative ways to present the information and key findings (e.g. interactive visualisations) based on their own expertise and capabilities.

Quarterly summary analysis:

- Key trends in UK-China two-way FDI over the given quarter such as overall levels, sectoral patterns, trends in secondary characteristics.



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- Comparisons to broader patterns of China's inbound/outbound investment, and the UK's own inbound outbound investment.
- Highlights of key policy developments and related notable deals and trends.

Format: Each quarter the supplier will provide a piece of summary analysis in the form of a PDF or Word document. This is our preferred style of presenting the information, but we would welcome tenderers to suggest alternative and innovative ways to present the information and key findings based on their own expertise and capabilities.

Quarterly discussion:

- Quarterly video conference and/or visit with supplier's analyst(s) to discuss key findings, wider trends and test conclusions.

Annual summary analysis note:

- In addition to the quarterly notes, at the end of each calendar year within the scope of the project, the supplier will provide an annual summary note covering key trends for the year.

Format: Each calendar year the supplier will provide an additional concise summary analysis in the form of a PDF or Word document. This is our preferred style of presenting the information, but we would welcome tenderers to suggest alternative and innovative ways to present the information and key findings based on their own expertise and capabilities.

Proposals including additional outputs would be preferred, as willing to be offered by the supplier as part of their bid. These could include:

More regular data updates:

Quarterly data updates with summary analysis notes and analyst discussions are the main investment monitoring deliverables of this project. However, receiving some form of additional data updates would be highly advantageous / preferred to monitor key investments in quicker time. For example, this could be monthly data-only updates (i.e. no accompanying analysis), with simplified data (e.g. preliminary value estimates or incomplete secondary characteristics) and delivered in a simplified format (e.g. excel sheets).



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Additional contextual data and/or analysis:

Such as additional data and/or analysis on: China's investment with other significant partners;

UK investment with other partners; historical UK-China investment; and other forms of nonFDI investment. For example, this data could be provided separately and/or included within relevant quarterly and annual analysis.

Additional research hours:

Additional analyst hours to be used on related research topics or tasks.

Additional Deliverables, at no extra charge, as proposed by Grant Thornton:

Up-to-date data - ongoing 'rawer' data to give a more up-to-date picture of the bilateral flows.

Historic data - access to historic analysis where appropriate.

Investor level tracking - Select key recent announcements, to allow DIT to build files to track investment performance and guidance on how to structure this.

Data presentation - guidance on the most beneficial format for key data and analysis points to ensure that the reports are presenting the most valuable information in the most useable manner.

Additional research - expertise provided from the wider team and support with additional bespoke research requirements on a case-by-case basis.

Links to source information - Links to source data and information where feasible, allowing more granular interrogation where desired.

Future deal flow tracking - monitoring of key pipeline deals alongside the core data, including where some MOUs and Letters of Intent are announced. This will create a file of 'deals to watch'.



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Audience

This will be an internal facing project and the data will not be published in-full externally. The primary audience for this project will be the DIT China network senior leadership team as well as DIT policy and analytical colleagues across China and the UK. The findings and data will also be of interest to other UK government departments.

Timetable

This will be an ongoing monitoring project running until the end of FY 22/23.

Quarterly:

- Data updates and summary analysis notes covering investment in the previous period to be delivered at the end of each quarter*
- A discussion via meeting or call is to be offered for each quarter following delivery of the analysis
- Delivery dates for data and summary analysis notes as below (with period of coverage shown in parentheses): ○ March 2022* (Q1'21, Q2'21, Q3'21, Q4'21) ○ April 2022 (Q1'22) ○ July 2022 (Q2'22) ○ October 2022 (Q3'22) ○ January 2023 (Q4'22)

*subject to final contract signing and supplier capability.

Annually:

- Annual summary note covering the previous full calendar year.
- Delivery dates as below (with period of coverage shows in parentheses):
 - March 2022* (2021 data) ○ January / February 2023 (2022 data)

*subject to final contract signing and supplier capability.

Additional / Ad-hoc:

- If more regular data updates are offered as part of the research (e.g. monthly), should be delivered on a regular schedule as offered and agreed with the supplier.
- Additional ad-hoc research hours to be used on related research topics as willing to be offered by the buyer as part of their bid.



This is our preferred timetable, but we would welcome tenderers to suggest alternative timetables based on their own capabilities and existing resources. Tenderers should propose their own clear timetable and programme of work, detailing all proposed project outputs and demonstrating how these outputs will meet the project objectives within the envisaged timeframe.

Personnel

Project Director	The Project Director cannot be replaced until completion unless there are extenuating circumstances that makes the project director no longer available.
Core Delivery Team	The supplier to provide named individuals who will make up the core delivery team. The supplier should also outline how they will provide delivery team cover, should this be necessary.



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Governance

Meeting / Report	Content	Frequency	Format
Kick-off meeting(s)	Project planning	1 meeting at project initiation. 1 additional project halfway through the first data collection period. Additional meetings as required by the supplier	Teleconference
Meeting	Contract performance	To be assessed as part of scheduled quarterly data / analysis discussion meetings.	Teleconference
Meeting	Contract performance	Where quarterly data / analysis discussion meetings are not sufficient to cover contract performance issues we reserve the right to request additional performance meetings.	Teleconference



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Key Performance Indicators

Management of the KPI

1.1. DIT shall issue Milestone payments upon the Supplier meeting the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) set out below. KPIs shall be monitored on a regular basis and shall form part of the contract performance review within quarterly project meetings. The successful Tenderer shall flag any risk to meeting a Milestone delivery date to DIT as soon as it becomes aware of such risk and shall discuss with DIT its proposals for mitigating against such risk arising.

1.2. Any performance issues highlighted in the quarterly meetings will be addressed by the successful Tenderer, within 14 working days of the identified KPI failing to be met. Any KPI failing to be met by the successful Tenderer will result in payment not being issued by DIT. 1.3. Once a KPI for a Milestone has been 'Met' to DIT's satisfaction, DIT shall issue the successful Tenderer with a confirmation email to confirm that the Key Performance Indicator has been met to its satisfaction. Payment for the completed Milestone shall be made by DIT following the issuing of DIT's confirmation email.

1.4. KPIs are essential in order to align the successful Tenderer's performance with the requirements of DIT and to do so in a fair and practical way. KPIs have to be met otherwise indicating that the service is failing to deliver.



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Delivery	Quarterly data updates and summary analysis notes to be provided within two additional working weeks of the end of the preceding qu arter.	Delivery dates to be reviewed by HMG contract managers ahead of each quarterly	discussion with the supplier. Delivery dates to be HMG contract two additional working of each weeks. the quarter. supplier.	Not delivered within Consistently delivered reviewed by within two additional managers ahead of end of quarterly discussion with
Delivery	Annual summary analysis notes to be provided within four additional working weeks of the end of preceding calendar year	electronically reviewed by HMG contract by an agreed list of HMG Either via period. of period.	two additional working managers at the end of each weeks. of period.	within four additional working weeks of end recipients.
Data and analysis to be dates to be	Delivery Not delivered within Consistently delivered received	email, or through being uploaded to agreed online platform		



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		(depends on method of delivery suggested by the supplier).			
		relevant HMG colleagues (including analyst and sector colleagues) based on their own knowledge and expertise. Where appropriate, deal values can be further checked with companies involved. Questions or problems to then be raised with the supplier	in the quarterly discussions or an ad-hoc basis.	significantly or repeatedly wrong.	Secondary characteristics are correct.
Quality	Data meets quality expectations for comprehensiveness and accuracy.		Data has major issues, for example: deal values diverge significantly	Data consistently fits expectations and sensechecking. No validation colleagues raise issues. Deal values match independent checking with companies involved. No projects / deals are obviously missed.	
	Quality assurance from HMG colleagues including analytical and sector colleagues.		expectations or evidence gathered elsewhere; major deals / projects are missing from the dataset; secondary characteristics are		
	Checking of granular data for anomalies and/or omissions by				
Quality	Summary analysis notes from meet quality expectations. colleagues	Quality assurance HMG including analytical colleagues.	Checking of analysis notes by relevant colleagues to ensure that key trends, deals and developments are correctly identified and put in context. Checking the analysis against both the underlying data and analysis from other sources.	Analysis is performed poorly – missing important trends in the data or failing to demonstrate understanding of key issues.	including policy context.
				Accurate and insightful analysis is performed on data. Highlights key trends and deals correctly and links to relevant wider context	



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Appendix 2 – Payment Schedule

FIXED PRICE PRICING SCHEDULE

SERVICES DESCRIPTION	Fixed Price (£) (excl. VAT)
Services for FY21/22 (capped at £60,000):	£ 60,000.00
Services for FY22/23 (capped at £40,000):	£ 40,000.00
TOTAL FIXED PRICE (£) (excl.VAT)	£ 100,000.00

Payment Schedule

Payment Period	Fixed Price (£) (excl. VAT)
Mar-22	£ 60,000.00
Jun-22	£ 10,000.00
Sep-22	£ 10,000.00
Dec-22	£ 10,000.00
Jan-23	£ 10,000.00

Appendix 3 – Supplier Proposal

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Appendix 3 – Cyber Essentials Scheme

1. Where the Authority notifies the Contractor that the award of the Contract shall be conditional upon receipt of a valid Cyber Essentials Certificate or equivalent, then on or prior to the execution of the Contract the Contractor shall deliver to the Authority evidence of a valid Cyber Essentials Certificate or equivalent.
2. Where the Contractor continues to process Cyber Essentials Data during the Contract Period the Contractor shall deliver to the Authority evidence of renewal of a valid Cyber Essentials Certificate or equivalent on each anniversary of the first Cyber Essentials Certificate obtained by the Contractor under Clause
3. Where the Contractor is due to Process Cyber Essentials Data after the Contract Commencement Date but before the end of the Contract Period, the Contractor shall deliver to the Authority evidence of:
 - a. a valid Cyber Essentials Certificate or equivalent (before the Contractor Processes any such Cyber Essentials Data); and
 - b. renewal of a valid Cyber Essentials Certificate or equivalent on each anniversary of the first Cyber Essentials Certificate obtained by the Contractor under Clause 3 (a)
4. In the event that the Contractor fails to comply with Clauses 2 or 3 (as applicable), the Authority reserves the right to terminate the Contract for Material Breach.

Appendix 4 – Insurance

Required insurances: Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance = Five Million Pounds Sterling (£5,000,000) Public Liability Insurance = One Million Pounds Sterling (£1,000,000) Professional Indemnity Insurance = One Million Pounds Sterling (£1,000,000)

Schedule 1– Schedule of Processing, Personal Data and Data Subjects

Description	Details
Identity of the Controller and Processor	N/A



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Subject matter of the processing	N/A
Duration of the processing	N/A
Nature and purposes of the processing	N/A
Type of Personal Data being Processed	N/A
Categories of Data Subject	N/A
Plan for return and destruction of the data once the processing is complete UNLESS requirement under union or member state law to preserve that type of data	N/A

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