



**Market Engagement Day**  
**NERC Environmental Data Service (EDS) - Dodona Operational Service**

**Friday 20 October, 9am – 1pm, 1 Victoria Street, London**

Time	Activity
08:45	<b>Arrival and registration</b> (tea and coffee available)
09:00	<b>Welcome (10 mins)</b> <i>Simon Gardner - Joint Head of Innovation Programmes and Partnerships, Science and Innovation Directorate, NERC</i> Brief welcome, housekeeping and introductions.
09:10	<b>NERC's vision for environmental data (20 minutes)</b> <i>Tim Wheeler - NERC Director, Research &amp; Innovation</i> Introduction to NERC's data assets and services, NERC's vision for environmental data, and the planned Dodona Environmental Data Service.
09:40	<b>Overview of the NERC Data Centres and data holdings (20 mins)</b> <i>Garry Baker - Head of National Geoscience Data Centre &amp; Head of Data Science, BGS</i> Background to the 5 NERC data centres, data standards and processes, and the variety and scale of their data holdings and recent activities.
10:00	<b>Question and Answer Session 1</b> Opportunity to ask questions of Tim Wheeler, Garry Baker and other colleagues about NERC's vision for environmental data and NERC data centres and data holdings
10:20	<b>Break</b> (tea and coffee available)
10:40	<b>Dodona Operational Service and Data Innovation Portal requirements (30 minutes)</b> <i>Simon Gardner, NERC</i> Aims and expectations of the data innovation portal, key elements and ways of working of the Operational Service.
11:10	<b>Details of the procurement process (10 minutes)</b> <i>Ben Osborne - Category Manager, Common Goods and Services, UK SBS</i> The role of UK Shared Business Services (UK SBS), how UK SBS support Research Council procurement processes, details of an open OJEU based procurement process, estimated procurement timescales.
11:20	<b>Question and Answer Session 2</b> Open session for attendees to ask questions following any of the morning presentations, or for clarification on any aspect of the requirement.
12:10	<b>Final thanks and close</b>
12:15	<b>Buffet lunch and depart</b>
13:00	<b>Attendees depart</b>