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Order Form

ORDER REFERENCE: PS23345 - RAF114/2223 - Newton Fund Impact

Evaluation

THE BUYER: Department for Science, Innovation &

Technology (DSIT)

BUYER ADDRESS 100 Parliament Street, London SW1A 2BQ

THE SUPPLIER: ITAD LIMITED

SUPPLIER ADDRESS: First Floor, International House, Queens Road,

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REGISTRATION NUMBER: 01869600

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DPS SUPPLIER REGISTRATION SERVICE ID:

APPLICABLE DPS CONTRACT

This Order Form is for the provision of the Deliverables and dated Tuesday, 30th January 2024.

It's issued under the DPS Contract with the reference number RM6126 Research & Insights for the provision of PS23345 - Newton Fund Impact Evaluation.

DPS FILTER CATEGORY(IES):

Mixed method (qualitative and quantitative), Impact evaluation, Value-for-money evaluation.

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ORDER INCORPORATED TERMS

The following documents are incorporated into this Order Contract. Where numbers are missing we are not using those schedules. If the documents conflict, the following order of precedence applies:

- 1. This Order Form including the Order Special Terms and Order Special Schedules.
- 2. Joint Schedule 1(Definitions and Interpretation) RM6126 Research & Insights.
- 3. DPS Special Terms.
- 4. The following Schedules in equal order of precedence:
 - Joint Schedules for RM6126 Research & Insights
 - Joint Schedule 2 (Variation Form)
 - Joint Schedule 3 (Insurance Requirements)
 - o Joint Schedule 4 (Commercially Sensitive Information)
 - Joint Schedule 6 (Key Subcontractors)
 - Joint Schedule 10 (Rectification Plan)
 - Joint Schedule 11 (Processing Data)
 - Joint Schedule 12 (Supply Chain Visibility)
 - Order Schedules for PS23345
 - Order Schedule 1 (Transparency Reports)
 - Order Schedule 2 (Staff Transfer)
 - Order Schedule 3 (Continuous Improvement)
 - Order Schedule 5 (Pricing Details)
 - Order Schedule 7 (Key Supplier Staff)
 - Order Schedule 8 (Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery)
 - Order Schedule 9 (Security)
 - Order Schedule 14 (Service Levels)
 - Order Schedule 20 (Order Specification)
- 5. CCS Core Terms (DPS version) v1.0.3
- 6. Joint Schedule 5 (Corporate Social Responsibility) RM6126
- 7. Order Schedule 4 (Order Tender).

No other Supplier terms are part of the Order Contract. That includes any terms written on the back of, added to this Order Form, or presented at the time of delivery.

ORDER SPECIAL TERMS



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ORDER START DATE: Wednesday, 31st January 2024

ORDER EXPIRY DATE: Monday, 31st March 2025

ORDER INITIAL PERIOD: 1 Year, 2 Months

DELIVERABLES

See details in Order Schedule 20 (Order Specification).

MAXIMUM LIABILITY

The limitation of liability for this Order Contract is stated in Clause 11.2 of the Core Terms.

In accordance with Clause 11.6, the Supplier's total aggregate liability in each Contract Year under Clause 14.8 is no more than the Data Protection Liability, being £5,000,000.00 excluding VAT.

ORDER CHARGES

See details in Order Schedule 5 (Pricing Details).

The Charges will not be impacted by any change to the DPS Pricing. The Charges can only be changed by agreement in writing between the Buyer and the Supplier because of:

Specific Change in Law

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES

None

PAYMENT METHOD

Payment shall be made via BACS.

Invoices payable upon receipt of invoice and Purchase Order.

Payment shall be made on Acceptance of the Deliverables.

BUYER'S INVOICE ADDRESS:

All invoices should be sent to ap@uksbs.co.uk with the following address: UKSBS, Queensway House, West Precinct, Billingham, TS23 2NF.

BUYER'S AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE

BUYER'S ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY
See details in the Environment Policy Annex

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BUYER'S SECURITY POLICY

Security policy framework: protecting government assets - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

SUPPLIER'S AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE



PROGRESS REPORT FREQUENCY

The Supplier will attend Progress Meetings with the Buyer as required for the project.

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The Supplier will attend Progress Meetings with the Buyer as required for the project.

KEY STAFF

See details in Order Schedule 7 (Key Supplier Staff)

KEY SUBCONTRACTOR(S)

See details in Joint Schedule 6 (Key Subcontractors)

E-AUCTIONS

Not applicable

COMMERCIALLY SENSITIVE INFORMATION

See details in Joint Schedule 4 (Supplier's Commercially Sensitive Information)

SERVICE CREDITS

Not applicable

ADDITIONAL INSURANCES

Not applicable

GUARANTEE

Not applicable

SOCIAL VALUE COMMITMENT

The Supplier agrees, in providing the Deliverables and performing its obligations under the Order Contract, that it will comply with the social value commitments in Order Schedule 4 (Order Tender).

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Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions)

- 1.1 In each Contract, unless the context otherwise requires, capitalised expressions shall have the meanings set out in this Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions) or the relevant Schedule in which that capitalised expression appears.
- 1.2 If a capitalised expression does not have an interpretation in this Schedule or any other Schedule, it shall, in the first instance, be interpreted in accordance with the common interpretation within the relevant market sector/industry where appropriate. Otherwise, it shall be interpreted in accordance with the dictionary meaning.
- 1.3 In each Contract, unless the context otherwise requires:
 - 1.3.1 the singular includes the plural and vice versa; 1.3.2 reference to a gender includes the other gender and the neuter; 1.3.3 references to a person include an individual, company, body corporate, corporation, unincorporated association, firm, partnership or other legal entity or Crown Body;
 - 1.3.4 a reference to any Law includes a reference to that Law as amended, extended, consolidated or re-enacted from time to time;
 - 1.3.5 the words "including", "other", "in particular", "for example" and similar words shall not limit the generality of the preceding words and shall be construed as if they were immediately followed by the words "without limitation":
 - 1.3.6 references to "writing" include typing, printing, lithography, photography, display on a screen, electronic and facsimile transmission and other modes of representing or reproducing words in a visible form, and expressions referring to writing shall be construed accordingly;
 - 1.3.7 references to "representations" shall be construed as references to present facts, to "warranties" as references to present and future facts and to "undertakings" as references to obligations under the Contract;
 - 1.3.8 references to "Clauses" and "Schedules" are, unless otherwise provided, references to the clauses and schedules of the Core Terms and references in any Schedule to parts, paragraphs, annexes and tables are, unless otherwise provided, references to the parts, paragraphs, annexes and tables of the Schedule in which these references appear;
 - 1.3.9 references to "Paragraphs" are, unless otherwise provided, references to the paragraph of the appropriate Schedules unless otherwise provided;
 - 1.3.10 references to a series of Clauses or Paragraphs shall be inclusive of the clause numbers specified;
 - 1.3.11the headings in each Contract are for ease of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation or construction of a Contract; and 1.3.12 where the Buyer is a Crown Body the Supplier shall be treated as contracting with the Crown as a whole.
- 1.4 In each Contract, unless the context otherwise requires, the following words shall have the following meanings:

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"Achieve"	in respect of a Test, to successfully pass such Test without any Test Issues and in respect of a Milestone, the issue of a Satisfaction Certificate in respect of that Milestone and "Achieved", "Achieving" and "Achievement" shall be construed accordingly;
"Additional Insurances"	insurance requirements relating to an Order Contract specified in the Order Form additional to those outlined in Joint Schedule 3 (Insurance Requirements);
"Admin Fee"	means the costs incurred by CCS in dealing with MI Failures calculated in accordance with the tariff of administration charges published by the CCS on: http://CCS.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/i-amsupplier/management-information/admin-fees;
"Affected Party"	the party seeking to claim relief in respect of a Force Majeure Event;
"Affiliates"	in relation to a body corporate, any other entity which directly or indirectly Controls, is Controlled by, or is under direct or indirect common Control of that body corporate from time to time;
"Annex"	extra information which supports a Schedule;
"Approval"	the prior written consent of the Buyer and "Approve" and "Approved" shall be construed accordingly;
"Audit"	the Relevant Authority's right to:
	 a) verify the accuracy of the Charges and any other amounts payable by a Buyer under an Order Contract (including proposed or actual variations to them in accordance with the Contract);
	 b) verify the costs of the Supplier (including the costs of all Subcontractors and any third party suppliers) in connection with the provision of the Services;
	c) verify the Open Book Data;
	d) verify the Supplier's and each Subcontractor's compliance with the applicable Law;
	 e) identify or investigate actual or suspected breach of Clauses 27 to 33 and/or Joint Schedule 5 (Corporate Social Responsibility), impropriety or accounting mistakes or any breach or threatened breach of security and in these circumstances the Relevant Authority shall have no obligation to inform the Supplier of the purpose or objective of its investigations;

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"Buyer"	the relevant public sector purchaser identified as such in the Order Form;
"Beneficiary"	a Party having (or claiming to have) the benefit of an indemnity under this Contract;
"BACS"	the Bankers' Automated Clearing Services, which is a scheme for the electronic processing of financial transactions within the United Kingdom;
"Authority Cause"	any breach of the obligations of the Relevant Authority or any other default, act, omission, negligence or statement of the Relevant Authority, of its employees, servants, agents in connection with or in relation to the subject-matter of the Contract and in respect of which the Relevant Authority is liable to the Supplier;
"Authority"	CCS and each Buyer;
	f) successors or assigns of any of the above;
	e) any party formally appointed by the Buyer to carry out audit or similar review functions; and
	d) HM Treasury or the Cabinet Office;
	 c) the Comptroller and Auditor General, their staff and/or any appointed representatives of the National Audit Office;
	b) the Buyer's statutory or regulatory auditors;
"Auditor"	a) the Buyer's internal and external auditors;
	k) verify the accuracy and completeness of any Management Information delivered or required by the DPS Contract;
	 j) enable the National Audit Office to carry out an examination pursuant to Section 6(1) of the National Audit Act 1983 of the economy, efficiency and effectiveness with which the Relevant Authority has used its resources;
	 i) carry out the Relevant Authority's internal and statutory audits and to prepare, examine and/or certify the Relevant Authority's annual and interim reports and accounts;
	h) review any books of account and the internal contract management accounts kept by the Supplier in connection with each Contract;
	 g) obtain such information as is necessary to fulfil the Relevant Authority's obligations to supply information for parliamentary, ministerial, judicial or administrative purposes including the supply of information to the Comptroller and Auditor General;
	 f) identify or investigate any circumstances which may impact upon the financial stability of the Supplier, any Guarantor, and/or any Subcontractors or their ability to provide the Deliverables;

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"Buyer Assets"	the Buyer's infrastructure, data, software, materials, assets, equipment or other property owned by and/or licensed or leased to the Buyer and which is or may be used in connection with the provision of the Deliverables which remain the property of the Buyer throughout the term of the Contract;
"Buyer Authorised Representative"	the representative appointed by the Buyer from time to time in relation to the Order Contract initially identified in the Order Form;
"Buyer Premises"	premises owned, controlled or occupied by the Buyer which are made available for use by the Supplier or its Subcontractors for the provision of the Deliverables (or any of them);
"CCS"	the Minister for the Cabinet Office as represented by Crown Commercial Service, which is an executive agency and operates as a trading fund of the Cabinet Office, whose offices are located at 9th Floor, The Capital, Old Hall Street, Liverpool L3 9PP;
"CCS Authorised Representative"	the representative appointed by CCS from time to time in relation to the DPS Contract initially identified in the DPS Appointment Form and subsequently on the Platform;
"Central Government Body"	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:
	a) Government Department;
	 b) Non-Departmental Public Body or Assembly Sponsored Public Body (advisory, executive, or tribunal);
	c) Non-Ministerial Department; or
	d) Executive Agency;
"Change in Law"	any change in Law which impacts on the supply of the Deliverables and performance of the Contract which comes into force after the Start Date;
"Change of Control"	a change of control within the meaning of Section 450 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010;
"Charges"	the prices (exclusive of any applicable VAT), payable to the Supplier by the Buyer under the Order Contract, as set out in the Order Form, for the full and proper performance by the Supplier of its obligations under the Order Contract less any Deductions;
"Claim"	any claim which it appears that a Beneficiary is, or may become, entitled to indemnification under this Contract;
"Commercially Sensitive Information"	the Confidential Information listed in the DPS Appointment Form or Order Form (if any) comprising of commercially sensitive information relating to the Supplier, its IPR or its business or which the Supplier has indicated to the Authority that, if disclosed by the Authority,

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	would cause the Supplier significant commercial disadvantage or material financial loss;
"Comparable Supply"	the supply of Deliverables to another Buyer of the Supplier that are the same or similar to the Deliverables;
"Compliance Officer"	the person(s) appointed by the Supplier who is responsible for ensuring that the Supplier complies with its legal obligations;
"Confidential Information"	means any information, however it is conveyed, that relates to the business, affairs, developments, trade secrets, Know-How, personnel and suppliers of CCS, the Buyer or the Supplier, including IPRs, together with information derived from the above, and any other information clearly designated as being confidential (whether or not it is marked as "confidential") or which ought reasonably to be considered to be confidential;
"Conflict of Interest"	a conflict between the financial or personal duties of the Supplier or the Supplier Staff and the duties owed to CCS or any Buyer under a Contract, in the reasonable opinion of the Buyer or CCS;
"Contract"	either the DPS Contract or the Order Contract, as the context requires;
"Contracts Finder"	the Government's publishing portal for public sector procurement opportunities;
"Contract Period"	the term of either a DPS Contract or Order Contract from the earlier of the:
	a) applicable Start Date; or
	b) the Effective Date until the applicable End Date;
"Contract Value"	the higher of the actual or expected total Charges paid or payable under a Contract where all obligations are met by the Supplier;
"Contract Year"	a consecutive period of twelve (12) Months commencing on the Start Date or each anniversary thereof;
"Control"	control in either of the senses defined in sections 450 and 1124 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 and "Controlled" shall be construed accordingly;
"Controller"	has the meaning given to it in the GDPR;
"Core Terms"	CCS' standard terms and conditions for common goods and services which govern how Supplier must interact with CCS and Buyers under DPS Contracts and Order Contracts;
"Costs"	the following costs (without double recovery) to the extent that they are reasonably and properly incurred by the Supplier in providing the Deliverables:
	 a) the cost to the Supplier or the Key Subcontractor (as the context requires), calculated per Man Day, of engaging the Supplier Staff, including:

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movements in provisions),
g) non-cash items (including depreciation, amortisation, impairments and movements in provisions);
f) amounts payable under Order Schedule 16 (Benchmarking) where such Schedule is used; and
e) fines and penalties;
d) taxation;
 c) maintenance and support costs to the extent that these relate to maintenance and/or support Deliverables provided beyond the Order Contract Period whether in relation to Supplier Assets or otherwise;
b) financing or similar costs;
a) Overhead;
excluding:
 d) Reimbursable Expenses to the extent these have been specified as allowable in the Order Form and are incurred in delivering any Deliverables; but
 c) operational costs which are not included within (a) or (b) above, to the extent that such costs are necessary and properly incurred by the Supplier in the provision of the Deliverables;
b) costs incurred in respect of Supplier Assets which would be treated as capital costs according to generally accepted accounting principles within the UK, which shall include the cost to be charged in respect of Supplier Assets by the Supplier to the Buyer or (to the extent that risk and title in any Supplier Asset is not held by the Supplier) any cost actually incurred by the Supplier in respect of those Supplier Assets;
ix) reasonable recruitment costs, as agreed with the Buyer;
vi) staff training; vii) work place accommodation; viii)work place IT equipment and tools reasonably necessary to provide the Deliverables (but not including items included within limb (b) below); and
v) any other contractual employment benefits;
National Insurance contributions; iii) pension contributions; iv) car allowances;
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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 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"	has the meaning given to it in the GDPR;
"Data Subject"	has the meaning given to it in the GDPR;
"Data Subject Access 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;
"Deductions"	all Service Credits, Delay Payments (if applicable), or any other deduction which the Buyer is paid or is payable to the Buyer under an Order Contract;
"Default"	any breach of the obligations of the Supplier (including abandonment of a Contract in breach of its terms) or any other default (including material default), act, omission, negligence or statement of the Supplier, of its Subcontractors or any Supplier Staff howsoever arising in connection with or in relation to the subject-matter of a Contract and in respect of which the Supplier is liable to the Relevant Authority;
"Default Management Levy"	has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 8.1.1 of DPS Schedule 5 (Management Levy and Information);
"Delay Payments"	the amounts (if any) payable by the Supplier to the Buyer in respect of a delay in respect of a Milestone as specified in the Mobilisation Plan;
"Deliverables"	Goods and/or Services that may be ordered under the Contract including the Documentation;
"Delivery"	delivery of the relevant Deliverable or Milestone in accordance with the terms of an Order Contract as confirmed and accepted by the Buyer by either (a) confirmation in writing to the Supplier; or (b) where Order Schedule 13 (Implementation Plan and Testing) is used, issue by the Buyer of a Satisfaction Certificate. "Deliver" and "Delivered" shall be construed accordingly;
"Disaster"	the occurrence of one or more events which, either separately or cumulatively, mean that the Deliverables, or a material part thereof
	will be unavailable (or could reasonably be anticipated to be unavailable) for the period specified in the Order Form (for the purposes of this definition the "Disaster Period");
"Disclosing Party"	the Party directly or indirectly providing Confidential Information to the other Party in accordance with Clause 15 (What you must keep confidential);

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"Dispute"	any claim, dispute or difference arises out of or in connection with the Contract or in connection with the negotiation, existence, legal validity, enforceability or termination of the Contract, whether the alleged liability shall arise under English law or under the law of some other country and regardless of whether a particular cause of action may successfully be brought in the English courts;
"Dispute Resolution Procedure"	the dispute resolution procedure set out in Clause 34 (Resolving disputes);
"Documentation"	descriptions of the Services and Service Levels, technical specifications, user manuals, training manuals, operating manuals, process definitions and procedures, system environment descriptions and all such other documentation (whether in hardcopy or electronic form) is required to be supplied by the Supplier to the Buyer under a Contract as:
	 a) would reasonably be required by a competent third party capable of Good Industry Practice contracted by the Buyer to develop, configure, build, deploy, run, maintain, upgrade and test the individual systems that provide the Deliverables;
	b) is required by the Supplier in order to provide the Deliverables; and/or
	has been or shall be generated for the purpose of providing the Deliverables;
"DOTAS"	the Disclosure of Tax Avoidance Schemes rules which require a promoter of tax schemes to tell HMRC of any specified notifiable arrangements or proposals and to provide prescribed information on those arrangements or proposals within set time limits as contained in Part 7 of the Finance Act 2004 and in secondary legislation made under vires contained in Part 7 of the Finance Act 2004 and as extended to National Insurance Contributions;
"DPA 2018"	a) the Data Protection Act 2018;
"DPS"	the dynamic purchasing system operated by CCS in accordance with Regulation 34 that this DPS Contract governs access to;
"DPS Application"	the application submitted by the Supplier to CCS and annexed to or referred to in DPS Schedule 2 (DPS Application);
"DPS Appointment Form"	the document outlining the DPS Incorporated Terms and crucial information required for the DPS Contract, to be executed by the Supplier and CCS and subsequently held on the Platform;
"DPS Contract"	the dynamic purchasing system access agreement established between CCS and the Supplier in accordance with Regulation 34 by the DPS Appointment Form for the provision of the Deliverables to Buyers by the Supplier pursuant to the OJEU Notice;
"DPS Contract Period"	the period from the DPS Start Date until the End Date or earlier termination of the DPS Contract;

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"DPS Expiry Date"	the date of the end of the DPS Contract as stated in the DPS Appointment Form;
"DPS Incorporated Terms"	the contractual terms applicable to the DPS Contract specified in the DPS Appointment Form;
"DPS Initial Period"	the initial term of the DPS Contract as specified in the DPS Appointment Form;
"DPS Optional Extension Period"	such period or periods beyond which the DPS Initial Period may be extended up to a maximum of the number of years in total specified in the DPS Appointment Form;
"DPS Pricing"	the maximum price(s) applicable to the provision of the Deliverables set out in DPS Schedule 3 (DPS Pricing);
"DPS Registration"	the registration process a Supplier undertakes when submitting its details onto the Platform;
"DPS SQ Submission"	the Supplier's selection questionnaire response;
"DPS Special Terms"	any additional terms and conditions specified in the DPS Appointment Form incorporated into the DPS Contract;
"DPS Start Date"	the date of start of the DPS Contract as stated in the DPS Appointment Form;
"Due Diligence Information"	any information supplied to the Supplier by or on behalf of the Authority prior to the Start Date;
"Effective Date"	the date on which the final Party has signed the Contract;
"EIR"	the Environmental Information Regulations 2004;
"Employment Regulations"	the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 (SI 2006/246) as amended or replaced or any other Regulations implementing the European Council Directive 77/187/EEC;
"End Date"	the earlier of:
	a) the Expiry Date (as extended by any Extension Period exercised by the Authority under Clause 10.2); or
	if a Contract is terminated before the date specified in (a) above, the date of termination of the Contract;
"Environmental Policy"	to conserve energy, water, wood, paper and other resources, reduce waste and phase out the use of ozone depleting substances and
	minimise the release of greenhouse gases, volatile organic compounds and other substances damaging to health and the environment, including any written environmental policy of the Buyer;

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"Estimated Year 1 Contract Charges"	the anticipated total charges payable by the Supplier in the first Contract Year specified in the Order Form; a)
"Estimated Yearly Charges"	means for the purposes of calculating each Party's annual liability under clause 11.2:
	i) in the first Contract Year, the Estimated Year 1 Contract Charges; or
	ii) in any subsequent Contract Years, the Charges paid or payable
	in the previous Contract Year; or
	iii) after the end of the Contract, the Charges paid or payable in the last Contract Year during the Contract Period;
"Equality and Human Rights Commission"	the UK Government body named as such as may be renamed or replaced by an equivalent body from time to time;
"Existing IPR"	any and all IPR that are owned by or licensed to either Party and which are or have been developed independently of the Contract (whether prior to the Start Date or otherwise);
"Expiry Date"	the DPS Expiry Date or the Order Expiry Date (as the context dictates);
"Extension Period"	the DPS Optional Extension Period or the Order Optional Extension Period as the context dictates;
"Filter Categories"	the number of categories specified in DPS Schedule 1 (Specification), if applicable;
"FOIA"	the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and any subordinate legislation made under that Act from time to time together with any guidance and/or codes of practice issued by the Information Commissioner or relevant Government department in relation to such legislation;
"Force Majeure Event"	any event, occurrence, circumstance, matter or cause affecting the performance by either the Relevant Authority or the Supplier of its obligations arising from:
	 a) acts, events, omissions, happenings or non-happenings beyond the reasonable control of the Affected Party which prevent or materially delay the Affected Party from performing its obligations under a Contract;
	b) riots, civil commotion, war or armed conflict, acts of terrorism, nuclear, biological or chemical warfare;

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	c) acts of a Crown Body, local government or regulatory bodies;
	d) fire, flood or any disaster; or
	e) an industrial dispute affecting a third party for which a substitute third party is not reasonably available but excluding:
	i) any industrial dispute relating to the Supplier, the Supplier Staff (including any subsets of them) or any other failure in the Supplier or the Subcontractor's supply chain; ii) any event, occurrence, circumstance, matter or cause which is attributable to the wilful act, neglect or failure to take reasonable precautions against it by the Party concerned; and
	any failure of delay caused by a lack of funds;
"Force Majeure Notice"	a written notice served by the Affected Party on the other Party stating that the Affected Party believes that there is a Force Majeure Event;
"GDPR"	i) the General Data Protection Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2016/679);
"General Anti-	b) the legislation in Part 5 of the Finance Act 2013; and
Abuse Rule"	any future legislation introduced into parliament to counteract tax advantages arising from abusive arrangements to avoid National Insurance contributions;
"General Change in Law"	a Change in Law where the change is of a general legislative nature (including taxation or duties of any sort affecting the Supplier) or which affects or relates to a Comparable Supply;
"Goods"	 a) goods made available by the Supplier as specified in DPS Schedule 1 (Specification) and in relation to an Order Contract as specified in the Order Form;
"Good Industry Practice"	standards, practices, methods and procedures conforming to the Law and the exercise of the degree of skill and care, diligence, prudence and foresight which would reasonably and ordinarily be expected from a skilled and experienced person or body engaged within the relevant industry or business sector;
"Government"	the government of the United Kingdom (including the Northern Ireland
Government	Assembly and Executive Committee, the Scottish Government and the National Assembly for Wales), including government ministers and government departments and other bodies, persons, commissions or agencies from time to time carrying out functions on its behalf;
"Government Data"	Assembly and Executive Committee, the Scottish Government and the National Assembly for Wales), including government ministers and government departments and other bodies, persons, commissions or

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	the Supplier is required to generate, process, store or transmit pursuant to a Contract;
"Government	the Government's preferred method of purchasing and payment for low value
Procurement	goods or services
Card"	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/governmentprocurement-
	card2;
"Guarantor"	i) the person (if any) who has entered into a guarantee in the form set
	out in Joint Schedule 8 (Guarantee) in relation to this Contract;
"Halifax Abuse	the principle explained in the CJEU Case C-255/02 Halifax and
Principle"	others;
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"HMRC"	Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs;
"ICT Policy"	the Buyer's policy in respect of information and communications technology,
	referred to in the Order Form, which is in force as at the Order Start Date
	(a copy of which has been supplied to the Supplier), as updated from time
	to time in accordance with the Variation Procedure;
"Impact	an assessment of the impact of a Variation request by the Relevant Authority
Assessment"	completed in good faith, including:
	a) details of the impact of the proposed Variation on the Deliverables and
	the Supplier's ability to meet its other obligations under the
	Contract;
	b) details of the cost of implementing the proposed Variation;
	c) details of the ongoing costs required by the proposed Variation when
	implemented, including any increase or decrease in the DPS
	Pricing/Charges (as applicable), any alteration in the resources and/or
	expenditure required by either Party and any alteration to the working
	practices of either Party;
	d) a timetable for the implementation, together with any proposals for the
	testing of the Variation; and
	such other information as the Relevant Authority may reasonably
	request in (or in response to) the Variation request;
"Implementation	the plan for provision of the Deliverables set out in Order Schedule 13
Plan"	(Implementation Plan and Testing) where that Schedule is used or
	otherwise as agreed between the Supplier and the Buyer;
"Indemnifier"	a) a Party from whom an indemnity is sought under this Contract;
"Independent	where a Controller has provided Personal Data to another Party which is not
Control"	a Processor or a Joint Controller because the recipient itself determines
	the purposes and means of Processing but does so separately from the
	Controller providing it with Personal Data and
	"Independent Controller" shall be construed accordingly;
"Indexation"	the adjustment of an amount or sum in accordance with DPS Schedule 3
	(DPS Pricing) and the relevant Order Form;
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"Information"	has the meaning given under section 84 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000;
"Information Commissioner"	the UK's independent authority which deals with ensuring information relating to rights in the public interest and data privacy for individuals is met, whilst promoting openness by public bodies;
"Initial Period"	the initial term of a Contract specified on the Platform or the Order Form, as the context requires;
"Insolvency	a) in respect of a person:
Event"	b) a proposal is made for a voluntary arrangement within Part I of the Insolvency Act 1986 or of any other composition scheme or arrangement with, or assignment for the benefit of, its creditors; or c) a shareholders' meeting is convened for the purpose of considering a resolution that it be wound up or a resolution for its winding-up is passed (other than as part of, and exclusively for the purpose of, a bona fide reconstruction or amalgamation); or
	d) a petition is presented for its winding up (which is not dismissed within fourteen (14) Working Days of its service) or an application is made for the appointment of a provisional liquidator or a creditors' meeting is convened pursuant to section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986; or
	e) a receiver, administrative receiver or similar officer is appointed over the whole or any part of its business or assets; or
	f) an application is made either for the appointment of an administrator or for an administration order, an administrator is appointed, or notice of intention to appoint an administrator is given; or
	g) it is or becomes insolvent within the meaning of section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986; or
	h) being a "small company" within the meaning of section 382(3) of the Companies Act 2006, a moratorium comes into force pursuant to Schedule A1 of the Insolvency Act 1986; or
	i) where the person is an individual or partnership, any event analogous to those listed in limbs (a) to (g) (inclusive) occurs in relation to that individual or partnership; or
	any event analogous to those listed in limbs (a) to (h) (inclusive) occurs under the law of any other jurisdiction;
"Installation Works"	all works which the Supplier is to carry out at the beginning of the Order Contract Period to install the Goods in accordance with the Order Contract;
"Intellectual Property Rights" or "IPR"	 a) copyright, rights related to or affording protection similar to copyright, rights in databases, patents and rights in inventions, semi-conductor topography rights, trade marks, rights in internet domain names and website addresses and other rights in trade or

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	business names, goodwill, designs, Know-How, trade secrets and other rights in Confidential Information;
	 b) applications for registration, and the right to apply for registration, for any of the rights listed at (a) that are capable of being registered in any country or jurisdiction; and
	 c) all other rights having equivalent or similar effect in any country or jurisdiction;
"Invoicing Address"	the address to which the Supplier shall Invoice the Buyer as specified in the Order Form;
"IPR Claim"	 a) any claim of infringement or alleged infringement (including the defence of such infringement or alleged infringement) of any IPR, used to provide the Deliverables or otherwise provided and/or licensed by the Supplier (or to which the Supplier has provided access) to the Relevant Authority in the fulfilment of its obligations under a Contract;
"IR35"	the off-payroll rules requiring individuals who work through their company pay the same tax and National Insurance contributions as an employee which can be found online at: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/ir35-find-out-if-it-applies ;
"Joint Controller Agreement"	the agreement (if any) entered into between the Relevant Authority and the Supplier substantially in the form set out in Annex 2 of Joint Schedule 11 (<i>Processing Data</i>);
"Joint Controllers"	where two or more Controllers jointly determine the purposes and means of Processing;
"Key Personnel"	the individuals (if any) identified as such in the Order Form;
"Key Sub- Contract"	each Sub-Contract with a Key Subcontractor;
"Key	any Subcontractor:
Subcontractor"	a) which is relied upon to deliver any work package within the Deliverables in their entirety; and/or
	b) which, in the opinion of CCS or the Buyer performs (or would perform if appointed) a critical role in the provision of all or any part of the Deliverables; and/or
	c) with a Sub-Contract with a contract value which at the time of appointment exceeds (or would exceed if appointed) 10% of the aggregate Charges forecast to be payable under the Order Contract, and the Supplier shall list all such Key Subcontractors on
	the
	Platform and in the Key Subcontractor Section in the Order Form;

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"Know-How"	all ideas, concepts, schemes, information, knowledge, techniques, methodology, and anything else in the nature of know-how relating to the Deliverables but excluding know-how already in the other Party's possession before the applicable Start Date;
"Law"	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 relevant Party is bound to comply;
"LED"	Law Enforcement Directive (Directive (EU) 2016/680);
"Losses"	all losses, liabilities, damages, costs, expenses (including legal fees), disbursements, costs of investigation, litigation, settlement, judgment, interest and penalties whether arising in contract, tort (including negligence), breach of statutory duty, misrepresentation or otherwise and "Loss" shall be interpreted accordingly;
"Man Day"	7.5 Man Hours, whether or not such hours are worked consecutively and whether or not they are worked on the same day;
"Man Hours"	the hours spent by the Supplier Staff properly working on the provision of the Deliverables including time spent travelling (other than to and from the Supplier's offices, or to and from the Sites) but excluding lunch breaks;
"Management Information"	the management information specified in DPS Schedule 5 (Management Levy and Information);
"Management Levy"	the sum specified on the Platform payable by the Supplier to CCS in accordance with DPS Schedule 5 (Management Levy and Information);
"Marketing Contact"	shall be the person identified in the DPS Appointment Form;
"MI Default"	means when two (2) MI Reports are not provided in any rolling six (6) month period;
"MI Failure"	means when an MI report:
	a) contains any material errors or material omissions or a missing mandatory field; or
	b) is submitted using an incorrect MI reporting Template; or
	is not submitted by the reporting date (including where a declaration of no business should have been filed);
"MI Report"	means a report containing Management Information submitted to the Authority in accordance with DPS Schedule 5 (Management Levy and Information);

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"MI Reporting Template"	a) means the form of report set out in the Annex to DPS Schedule 5 (Management Levy and Information) setting out the information the Supplier is required to supply to the Authority;
"Milestone"	an event or task described in the Mobilisation Plan;
"Milestone Date"	the target date set out against the relevant Milestone in the Mobilisation Plan by which the Milestone must be Achieved;

"Month"	a calendar month and "Monthly" shall be interpreted accordingly;
"National Insurance"	contributions required by the National Insurance Contributions Regulations 2012 (SI 2012/1868) made under section 132A of the Social Security Administration Act 1992;
"New IPR"	a) IPR in items created by the Supplier (or by a third party on behalf of the Supplier) specifically for the purposes of a Contract and updates and amendments of these items including (but not limited to) database schema; and/or
	 b) IPR in or arising as a result of the performance of the Supplier's obligations under a Contract and all updates and amendments to the same; but shall not include the Supplier's Existing IPR;
"Occasion of Tax	where:
Non – Compliance"	 a) any tax return of the Supplier submitted to a Relevant Tax Authority on or after 1 October 2012 which is found on or after 1 April 2013 to be incorrect as a result of:
	i) a Relevant Tax Authority successfully challenging the Supplier under the General Anti-Abuse Rule or the Halifax Abuse Principle or under any tax rules or legislation in any jurisdiction that have an effect equivalent or similar to the General Anti- Abuse Rule or the Halifax Abuse Principle; ii) the failure of an avoidance scheme which the Supplier was involved in, and which was or should have been, notified to a Relevant Tax Authority under the DOTAS or any equivalent or similar regime in any jurisdiction; and/or
	any tax return of the Supplier submitted to a Relevant Tax Authority on or after 1 October 2012 which gives rise, on or after 1 April 2013, to a criminal conviction in any jurisdiction for tax related offences which is not spent at the Start Date or to a civil penalty for fraud or evasion;

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"Open Book Data"	complete and accurate financial and non-financial information which is sufficient to enable the Buyer to verify the Charges already paid or payable and Charges forecast to be paid during the remainder of the Order Contract, including details and all assumptions relating to:
	a) the Supplier's Costs broken down against each Good and/or Service and/or Deliverable, including actual capital expenditure (including capital replacement costs) and the unit cost and total actual costs of all Deliverables;
	b) operating expenditure relating to the provision of the Deliverables including an analysis showing:
	 i) the unit costs and quantity of Goods and any other consumables and bought-in Deliverables;
	ii) manpower resources broken down into the number and grade/role of all Supplier Staff (free of any contingency)

	together with a list of agreed rates against each manpower grade;
	iii) a list of Costs underpinning those rates for each manpower grade, being the agreed rate less the Supplier Profit Margin; and
	iv) Reimbursable Expenses, if allowed under the Order Form; c)
	Overheads;
	 d) all interest, expenses and any other third party financing costs incurred in relation to the provision of the Deliverables;
	 e) the Supplier Profit achieved over the DPS Contract Period and on an annual basis;
	 f) confirmation that all methods of Cost apportionment and Overhead allocation are consistent with and not more onerous than such methods applied generally by the Supplier;
	g) an explanation of the type and value of risk and contingencies associated with the provision of the Deliverables, including the amount of money attributed to each risk and/or contingency; and
	the actual Costs profile for each Service Period;
"Order"	 a) means an order for the provision of the Deliverables placed by a Buyer with the Supplier under a Contract;
"Order Contract"	 b) the contract between the Buyer and the Supplier (entered into pursuant to the provisions of the DPS Contract), which consists of the terms set out and referred to in the Order Form;
"Order Contract Period"	the Contract Period in respect of the Order Contract;
"Order Expiry Date"	the date of the end of an Order Contract as stated in the Order Form;
"Order Form"	a completed Order Form Template (or equivalent information issued by the Buyer) used to create an Order Contract;

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"Order Form Template"	the template in DPS Schedule 6 (Order Form Template and Order Schedules);
"Order Incorporated Terms"	the contractual terms applicable to the Order Contract specified under the relevant heading in the Order Form;
"Order Initial Period"	the Initial Period of an Order Contract specified in the Order Form;
"Order Optional Extension Period"	such period or periods beyond which the Order Initial Period may be extended up to a maximum of the number of years in total specified in the Order Form;
"Order Procedure"	the process for awarding an Order Contract pursuant to Clause 2 (How the contract works) and DPS Schedule 7 (Order Procedure);
"Order Special Terms"	any additional terms and conditions specified in the Order Form incorporated into the applicable Order Contract;
"Order Start Date"	the date of start of an Order Contract as stated in the Order Form;
"Order Tender"	the tender submitted by the Supplier in response to the Buyer's Statement of Requirements following an Order Procedure and set out at Order Schedule 4 (Order Tender);
"Other Contracting Authority"	any actual or potential Buyer under the DPS Contract;
"Overhead"	those amounts which are intended to recover a proportion of the Supplier's or the Key Subcontractor's (as the context requires) indirect corporate costs (including financing, marketing, advertising, research and development and insurance costs and any fines or penalties) but excluding allowable indirect costs apportioned to facilities and administration in the provision of Supplier Staff and accordingly included within limb (a) of the definition of "Costs";
"Parliament"	takes its natural meaning as interpreted by Law;

in the context of the DPS Contract, CCS or the Supplier, and in the in the

the performance measurements and targets in respect of the Supplier's

performance of the DPS Contract set out in DPS Schedule 4 (DPS

context of an Order Contract the Buyer or the Supplier.

"Parties" shall mean both of them where the context permits;

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"Party"

"Performance

Indicators" or "PIs"

"Personal Data"

"Personal Data

Breach"

has the meaning given to it in the GDPR;

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Management);

"Personnel"	all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and suppliers of a Party and/or of any Subcontractor and/or Subprocessor engaged in the performance of its obligations under a Contract;	
"Platform"	the online application operated on behalf of CCS to facilitate the technical operation of the DPS;	
"Prescribed Person"	a legal adviser, an MP or an appropriate body which a whistle-blower may make a disclosure to as detailed in 'Whistleblowing: list of prescribed people and bodies', 24 November 2016, available online at: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/blowing-the-whistle-list-of-prescribed-people-and-bodies2/whistleblowing-list-of-prescribed-people-and-bodies2/whistleblowing-list-of-prescribed-people-and-bodies2/whistleblowing-list-of-prescribed-people-and-bodies2/whistleblowing-list-of-prescribed-people-and-bodies2/whistleblowing-list-of-prescribed-people-and-bodies;</th></tr><tr><th>" processing"<="" th=""><th>has the meaning given to it in the GDPR;</th>	has the meaning given to it in the GDPR;
"Processor"	has the meaning given to it in the GDPR;	
"Processor Personnel"	all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and suppliers of the Processor and/or of any Subprocessor engaged in the performance of its obligations under a Contract;	
"Progress Meeting"	a meeting between the Buyer Authorised Representative and the Supplier Authorised Representative;	
"Progress Meeting Frequency"	the frequency at which the Supplier shall conduct a Progress Meeting in accordance with Clause 6.1 as specified in the Order Form;	
"Progress Report"	a report provided by the Supplier indicating the steps taken to achieve Milestones or delivery dates;	

the frequency at which the Supplier shall deliver Progress Reports in

accordance with Clause 6.1 as specified in the Order Form;

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"Progress Report

Frequency"

"Prohibited Acts"	a) to directly or indirectly offer, promise or give any person working for or engaged by a Buyer or any other public body a financial or other advantage to:
	i) induce that person to perform improperly a relevant function or activity; or
	ii) reward that person for improper performance of a relevant function or activity;
	b) to directly or indirectly request, agree to receive or accept any financial or other advantage as an inducement or a reward for improper performance of a relevant function or activity in connection with each Contract; or
	c) committing any offence:
	i) under the Bribery Act 2010 (or any legislation repealed or revoked by such Act); or
	ii) under legislation or common law concerning fraudulent acts; or
	iii) defrauding, attempting to defraud or conspiring to defraud a Buyer or other public body; or any activity, practice or conduct which would constitute one of the offences listed under (c) above if such activity, practice or conduct had been carried out in the UK;
"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 DPS Schedule 9 (Cyber Essentials), if applicable, in the case of the DPS Contract or Order Schedule 9 (Security), if applicable, in the case of an Order Contract;
"Recall"	a) a request by the Supplier to return Goods to the Supplier or the manufacturer after the discovery of safety issues or defects (including defects in the right IPR rights) that might endanger health or hinder performance;
"Recipient Party"	the Party which receives or obtains directly or indirectly Confidential Information;

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"Rectification Plan"	the Supplier's plan (or revised plan) to rectify its breach using the template in Joint Schedule 10 (Rectification Plan Template)which shall include:
	a) full details of the Default that has occurred, including a root cause analysis;
	b) the actual or anticipated effect of the Default; and
	the steps which the Supplier proposes to take to rectify the Default (if applicable) and to prevent such Default from recurring, including timescales for such steps and for the rectification of the Default (where applicable);
"Rectification Plan Process"	the process set out in Clause 10.4.3 to 10.4.5 (Rectification Plan Process);
"Regulations"	 a) the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and/or the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 (as the context requires);
"Reimbursable Expenses"	the reasonable out of pocket travel and subsistence (for example, hotel and food) expenses, properly and necessarily incurred in the performance of the Services, calculated at the rates and in accordance with the Buyer's expenses policy current from time to time, but not including:
	a) travel expenses incurred as a result of Supplier Staff travelling to and from their usual place of work, or to and from the premises at which the Services are principally to be performed, unless the Buyer otherwise agrees in advance in writing; and subsistence
	expenses incurred by Supplier Staff whilst performing
	the Services at their usual place of work, or to and from the premises at which the Services are principally to be performed;
"Relevant Authority"	the Authority which is party to the Contract to which a right or obligation is owed, as the context requires;
"Relevant Authority's Confidential Information"	 a) all Personal Data and any information, however it is conveyed, that relates to the business, affairs, developments, property rights, trade secrets, Know-How and IPR of the Relevant Authority (including all Relevant Authority Existing IPR and New IPR);
	b) any other information clearly designated as being confidential (whether or not it is marked "confidential") or which ought reasonably be considered confidential which comes (or has come) to the Relevant Authority's attention or into the Relevant
	Authority's possession in connection with a Contract; and
	a) information derived from any of the above:
	c) information derived from any of the above;

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"Relevant Requirements"	all applicable Law relating to bribery, corruption and fraud, including the Bribery Act 2010 and any guidance issued by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 9 of the Bribery Act 2010;
"Relevant Tax Authority"	HMRC, or, if applicable, the tax authority in the jurisdiction in which the Supplier is established;

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"Reminder Notice"	a notice sent in accordance with Clause 10.6 given by the Supplier to the Buyer providing notification that payment has not been received on time;
"Replacement Deliverables"	any deliverables which are substantially similar to any of the Deliverables and which the Buyer receives in substitution for any of the Deliverables following the Order Expiry Date, whether those goods are provided by the Buyer internally and/or by any third party;
"Replacement Subcontractor"	a Subcontractor of the Replacement Supplier to whom Transferring Supplier Employees will transfer on a Service Transfer Date (or any Subcontractor of any such Subcontractor);
"Replacement Supplier"	any third party provider of Replacement Deliverables appointed by or at the direction of the Buyer from time to time or where the Buyer is providing Replacement Deliverables for its own account, shall also include the Buyer;
"Request For Information"	a request for information or an apparent request relating to a Contract for the provision of the Deliverables or an apparent request for such information under the FOIA or the EIRs;
"Required Insurances"	the insurances required by Joint Schedule 3 (Insurance Requirements) or any additional insurances specified in the Order Form;
"Satisfaction Certificate"	the certificate (materially in the form of the document contained in Part B of Order Schedule 13 (Implementation Plan and Testing) or as agreed by the Parties where Order Schedule 13 is not used in this Contract) granted by the Buyer when the Supplier has met all of the requirements of an Order, Achieved a Milestone or a Test;
"Schedules"	any attachment to a DPS or Order Contract which contains important information specific to each aspect of buying and selling;
"Security Management Plan"	the Supplier's security management plan prepared pursuant to Order Schedule 9 (Security) (if applicable);
"Security Policy"	the Buyer's security policy, referred to in the Order Form, in force as at the Order Start Date (a copy of which has been supplied to the Supplier), as updated from time to time and notified to the Supplier;
"Self Audit Certificate"	means the certificate in the form as set out in DPS Schedule 8 (Self Audit Certificate);
"Serious Fraud Office"	the UK Government body named as such as may be renamed or replaced by an equivalent body from time to time;
"Service Levels"	any service levels applicable to the provision of the Deliverables under the Order Contract (which, where Order Schedule 14 (Service Credits) is used

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"Service Period"

has the meaning given to it in the Order Form;

in this Contract, are specified in the Annex to Part A of such Schedule);

"Services"	services made available by the Supplier as specified in DPS Schedule 1 (Specification) and in relation to an Order Contract as specified in the Order Form;
"Service Transfer"	any transfer of the Deliverables (or any part of the Deliverables), for whatever reason, from the Supplier or any Subcontractor to a Replacement Supplier or a Replacement Subcontractor;
"Service Transfer Date"	the date of a Service Transfer;
"Sites"	any premises (including the Buyer Premises, the Supplier's premises or third party premises) from, to or at which:
	a) the Deliverables are (or are to be) provided; or
	the Supplier manages, organises or otherwise directs the provision or the use of the Deliverables;
"SME"	an enterprise falling within the category of micro, small and medium sized enterprises defined by the Commission Recommendation of 6 May 2003 concerning the definition of micro, small and medium enterprises;
"Special Terms"	any additional Clauses set out in the DPS Appointment Form or Order Form which shall form part of the respective Contract;
"Specific Change in Law"	a Change in Law that relates specifically to the business of the Buyer and which would not affect a Comparable Supply where the effect of that Specific Change in Law on the Deliverables is not reasonably foreseeable at the Start Date;
"Specification"	the specification set out in DPS Schedule 1 (Specification), as may, in relation to an Order Contract, be supplemented by the Order Form;
"Standards"	any:
	 a) standards published by BSI British Standards, the National Standards Body of the United Kingdom, the International Organisation for Standardisation or other reputable or equivalent bodies (and their successor bodies) that a skilled and experienced operator in the same type of industry or business sector as the Supplier would reasonably and ordinarily be expected to comply with;
	 b) standards detailed in the specification in DPS Schedule 1 (Specification);
	c) standards detailed by the Buyer in the Order Form or agreed between the
	Parties from time to time; relevant Government codes of practice and guidance applicable from time to time;

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"Start Date"	in the case of the DPS Contract, the date specified on the DPS Appointment Form, and in the case of an Order Contract, the date specified in the Order Form;	
"Statement of Requirements"	a) a statement issued by the Buyer detailing its requirements in respect of Deliverables issued in accordance with the Order Procedure;	
"Storage Media"	the part of any device that is capable of storing and retrieving data;	
"Sub-Contract"	any contract or agreement (or proposed contract or agreement), other than an Order Contract or the DPS Contract, pursuant to which a third party:	
	a) provides the Deliverables (or any part of them);	
	b) provides facilities or services necessary for the provision of the Deliverables (or any part of them); and/or is responsible for the	
	management, direction or control of the	
	provision of the Deliverables (or any part of them);	
"Subcontractor"	any person other than the Supplier, who is a party to a Sub-Contract and the servants or agents of that person;	
"Subprocessor"	a) any third party appointed to process Personal Data on behalf of that Processor related to a Contract;	
"Supplier"	the person, firm or company identified in the DPS Appointment Form;	
"Supplier Assets"	all assets and rights used by the Supplier to provide the Deliverables in accordance with the Order Contract but excluding the Buyer Assets;	
"Supplier Authorised Representative"	the representative appointed by the Supplier named in the DPS Appointment Form, or later defined in an Order Contract;	
"Supplier's Confidential Information"	a) any information, however it is conveyed, that relates to the business, affairs, developments, IPR of the Supplier (including the Supplier Existing IPR) trade secrets, Know-How, and/or personnel of the Supplier;	
	b) any other information clearly designated as being confidential (whether or not it is marked as "confidential") or which ought reasonably to be considered to be confidential and which comes (or has come) to the Supplier's attention or into the Supplier's possession in connection with a Contract;	
	Information derived from any of (a) and (b) above;	

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 a) the Supplier's hardware, computer and telecoms devices, equipment, plant, materials and such other items supplied and used by the Supplier (but not hired, leased or loaned from the Buyer) in the performance of its obligations under this Order Contract; 		
where the Supplier has failed to:		
a) Achieve a Milestone by its Milestone Date;		
b) provide the Goods and/or Services in accordance with the Service Levels; and/or comply with an obligation under a Contract;		
in relation to a period, the difference between the total Charges (in nomin cash flow terms but excluding any Deductions and total Costs (in nomin cash flow terms) in respect of an Order Contract for the relevant period;		
 a) in relation to a period or a Milestone (as the context requires), the Supplier Profit for the relevant period or in relation to the relevant Milestone divided by the total Charges over the same period or in relation to the relevant Milestone and expressed as a percentage; 		
all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and contractors of the Supplier and/or of any Subcontractor engaged in the performance of the Supplier's obligations under a Contract;		
the document at Annex 1 of Joint Schedule 12 (Supply Chain Visibility);		
sufficient information in writing to enable the Buyer to reasonably assess whether the Charges, Reimbursable Expenses and other sums due from the Buyer under the Order Contract detailed in the information are properly payable;		
a written notice of termination given by one Party to the other, notifying the Party receiving the notice of the intention of the Party giving the notice to terminate a Contract on a specified date and setting out the grounds for termination;		
any variance or non-conformity of the Deliverables or Deliverables from their requirements as set out in an Order Contract;		
a plan:		
a) for the Testing of the Deliverables; and		
setting out other agreed criteria related to the achievement of Milestones;		
any tests required to be carried out pursuant to an Order Contract as set out in the Test Plan or elsewhere in an Order Contract and " Tested " shall be construed accordingly;		
a) Intellectual Property Rights owned by a third party which is or will be used by the Supplier for the purpose of providing the Deliverables;		

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"Transferring Supplier Employees"	those employees of the Supplier and/or the Supplier's Subcontractors to whom the Employment Regulations will apply on the Service Transfer Date;	
"Transparency Information"	the Transparency Reports and the content of a Contract, including any changes to this Contract agreed from time to time, except for –	
	(i) any information which is exempt from disclosure in accordance with the provisions of the FOIA, which shall be determined by the Relevant Authority; and	
	(ii) Commercially Sensitive Information;	
"Transparency Reports"	the information relating to the Deliverables and performance of the Contracts which the Supplier is required to provide to the Buyer in accordance with the reporting requirements in Order Schedule 1 (Transparency Reports);	
"Variation"	has the meaning given to it in Clause 24 (Changing the contract);	
"Variation Form"	the form set out in Joint Schedule 2 (Variation Form);	
"Variation Procedure"	the procedure set out in Clause 24 (Changing the contract);	
"VAT"	value added tax in accordance with the provisions of the Value Added Tax Act 1994;	
"VCSE"	a non-governmental organisation that is value-driven and which principally reinvests its surpluses to further social, environmental or cultural objectives;	
"Worker"	any one of the Supplier Staff which the Buyer, in its reasonable opinion, considers is an individual to which Procurement Policy Note 08/15 (Tax Arrangements of Public Appointees) (https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policynote-0815-tax-arrangements-of-appointees) applies in respect of the Deliverables; and	
"Working Day"	any day other than a Saturday or Sunday or public holiday in England and Wales unless specified otherwise by the Parties in the Order Form.	

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Joint Schedule 2 (Variation Form)

This form is to be used in order to change a contract in accordance with Clause 24 (Changing the Contract).

Contract Details				
This variation is between:	[delete as applicable: CCS / Buyer] ("CCS" "the Buyer")			
	And			
	[insert name of Supplier] ("th	e Supplier")		
Contract name:	[insert name of contract to be changed] ("the Contract")			
Contract reference number:	[insert contract reference number]			
	Details of Proposed Variation	n		
/ariation initiated by: [delete as applicable: CCS/Buyer/Supplier]		uyer/Supplier]		
Variation number:	[insert variation number]			
Date variation is raised:	[insert date]			
Proposed variation	Proposed variation			
Reason for the variation:	[insert reason]			
An Impact Assessment shall be provided within:	[insert number] days			
	Impact of Variation			
Likely impact of the proposed variation:				
	Outcome of Variation			
Contract variation:	Contract variation: This Contract detailed above is varied as follows: • [CCS/Buyer to insert original Clauses of Paragraphs to be varied and the changed clause]			
Financial variation:	Original Contract Value:	£ [insert amount]		
	Additional cost due to variation:	£ [insert amount]		
	New Contract value:	£ [insert amount]		

- 1. This Variation must be agreed and signed by both Parties to the Contract and shall only be effective from the date it is signed by **[delete** as applicable: CCS / Buyer**]**
- 2. Words and expressions in this Variation shall have the meanings given to them in the Contract.
- 3. The Contract, including any previous Variations, shall remain effective and unaltered except as amended by this Variation.

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Date	
Name (in Capitals)	
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Joint Schedule 3 (Insurance Requirements)

1. The insurance you need to have

- 1.1 The Supplier shall take out and maintain or procure the taking out and maintenance of the insurances as set out in the Annex to this Schedule, any additional insurances required under an Order Contract (specified in the applicable Order Form) ("Additional Insurances") and any other insurances as may be required by applicable Law (together the "Insurances"). The Supplier shall ensure that each of the Insurances is effective no later than:
 - the DPS Start Date in respect of those Insurances set out in the Annex to this Schedule and those required by applicable Law; and
 - 1.1.2 the Order Contract Effective Date in respect of the Additional Insurances.

1.2 The Insurances shall be:

- 1.2.1 maintained in accordance with Good Industry Practice;
- 1.2.2 (so far as is reasonably practicable) on terms no less favourable than those generally available to a prudent contractor in respect of risks insured in the international insurance market from time to time:
- 1.2.3 taken out and maintained with insurers of good financial standing and good repute in the international insurance market; and
- maintained for at least six (6) years after the End Date.
- 1.3 The Supplier shall ensure that the public and products liability policy contain an indemnity to principals clause under which the Relevant Authority shall be indemnified in respect of claims made against the Relevant Authority in respect of death or bodily injury or third party property damage arising out of or in connection with the Deliverables and for which the Supplier is legally liable.

2. How to manage the insurance

- 2.1 Without limiting the other provisions of this Contract, the Supplier shall:
 - 2.1.1 take or procure the taking of all reasonable risk management and risk control measures in relation to Deliverables as it would be reasonable to expect of a prudent contractor acting in accordance with Good Industry Practice, including the investigation and reports of relevant claims to insurers;
 - 2.1.2 promptly notify the insurers in writing of any relevant material fact under any Insurances of which the Supplier is or becomes aware; and
 - 2.1.3 hold all policies in respect of the Insurances and cause any insurance broker effecting the Insurances to hold any insurance slips and other evidence of placing cover representing any of the Insurances to which it is a party.

3. What happens if you aren't insured

3.1 The Supplier shall not take any action or fail to take any action or (insofar as is reasonably within its power) permit anything to occur in relation to it which would entitle any insurer to refuse to pay any claim under any of the Insurances.

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3.2 Where the Supplier has failed to purchase or maintain any of the Insurances in full force and effect, the Relevant Authority may elect (but shall not be obliged) following written notice to the Supplier to purchase the relevant Insurances and recover the reasonable premium and other reasonable costs incurred in connection therewith as a debt due from the Supplier.

4. Evidence of insurance you must provide

4.1 The Supplier shall upon the Start Date and within 15 Working Days after the renewal of each of the Insurances, provide evidence, in a form satisfactory to the Relevant Authority, that the Insurances are in force and effect and meet in full the requirements of this Schedule.

5. Making sure you are insured to the required amount

5.1 The Supplier shall ensure that any Insurances which are stated to have a minimum limit "in the aggregate" are maintained at all times for the minimum limit of indemnity specified in this Contract and if any claims are made which do not relate to this Contract then the Supplier shall notify the Relevant Authority and provide details of its proposed solution for maintaining the minimum limit of indemnity.

6. Cancelled Insurance

- 6.1 The Supplier shall notify the Relevant Authority in writing at least five (5) Working Days prior to the cancellation, suspension, termination or nonrenewal of any of the Insurances.
- 6.2 The Supplier shall ensure that nothing is done which would entitle the relevant insurer to cancel, rescind or suspend any insurance or cover, or to treat any insurance, cover or claim as voided in whole or part. The Supplier shall use all reasonable endeavours to notify the Relevant Authority (subject to third party confidentiality obligations) as soon as practicable when it becomes aware of any relevant fact, circumstance or matter which has caused, or is reasonably likely to provide grounds to, the relevant insurer to give notice to cancel, rescind, suspend or void any insurance, or any cover or claim under any insurance in whole or in part.

7. Insurance claims

- 7.1 The Supplier shall promptly notify to insurers any matter arising from, or in relation to, the Deliverables, or each Contract for which it may be entitled to claim under any of the Insurances. In the event that the Relevant Authority receives a claim relating to or arising out of a Contract or the Deliverables, the Supplier shall co-operate with the Relevant Authority and assist it in dealing with such claims including without limitation providing information and documentation in a timely manner.
- 7.2 Except where the Relevant Authority is the claimant party, the Supplier shall give the Relevant Authority notice within twenty (20) Working Days after any insurance claim in excess of 10% of the sum required to be insured pursuant to Paragraph 5.1 relating to or arising out of the provision of the Deliverables or this Contract on any of the Insurances or which, but for the application of the applicable policy excess, would be made on any of the Insurances and (if required by the Relevant Authority) full details of the incident giving rise to the claim.
- 7.3 Where any Insurance requires payment of a premium, the Supplier shall be liable for and shall promptly pay such premium.

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7.4 Where any Insurance is subject to an excess or deductible below which the indemnity from insurers is excluded, the Supplier shall be liable for such excess or deductible. The Supplier shall not be entitled to recover from the Relevant Authority any sum paid by way of excess or deductible under the Insurances whether under the terms of this Contract or otherwise.

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ANNEX: REQUIRED INSURANCES

- **1.** The Supplier shall hold the following standard insurance cover from the DPS Start Date in accordance with this Schedule:
 - 1.1 professional indemnity insurance with cover (for a single event or a series of related events and in the aggregate) of not less than one million pounds (£1,000,000);
 - 1.2 public liability insurance with cover (for a single event or a series of related events and in the aggregate) of not less than one million pounds (£1,000,000); and
 - 1.3 employers' liability insurance with cover (for a single event or a series of related events and in the aggregate) of not less than five million pounds (£5,000,000).

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Joint Schedule 4 (Commercially Sensitive Information)

1. What is the Commercially Sensitive Information?

- 1.1 In this Schedule the Parties have sought to identify the Supplier's Confidential Information that is genuinely commercially sensitive and the disclosure of which would be the subject of an exemption under the FOIA and the EIRs.
- 1.2 Where possible, the Parties have sought to identify when any relevant Information will cease to fall into the category of Information to which this Schedule applies in the table below and in the Order Form (which shall be deemed incorporated into the table below).
- 1.3 Without prejudice to the Relevant Authority's obligation to disclose Information in accordance with FOIA or Clause 16 (When you can share information), the Relevant Authority will, in its sole discretion, acting reasonably, seek to apply the relevant exemption set out in the FOIA to the following Information:

No.	Date	Item(s)	Duration of Confidentiality
1	January 2024	Suppliers` fiscal breakdown	5 years
2	January 2024	Suppliers` full proposal	5 years

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Joint Schedule 6 (Key Subcontractors)
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Joint Schedule 6 (Key Subcontractors)

1. Restrictions on certain subcontractors

- 1.1 The Supplier is entitled to sub-contract its obligations under the DPS Contract to the Key Subcontractors identified on the Platform.
- 1.2 The Supplier is entitled to sub-contract its obligations under an Order Contract to Key Subcontractors listed on the Platform who are specifically nominated in the Order Form.
- 1.3 Where during the Contract Period the Supplier wishes to enter into a new Key Subcontract or replace a Key Subcontractor, it must obtain the prior written consent of CCS and the Buyer and the Supplier shall, at the time of requesting such consent, provide CCS and the Buyer with the information detailed in Paragraph 1.4. The decision of CCS and the Buyer to consent or not will not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. Where CCS consents to the appointment of a new Key Subcontractor then they will be added to the Platform. Where the Buyer consents to the appointment of a new Key Subcontractor then they will be added to the Key Subcontractor section of the Order Form. CCS and the Buyer may reasonably withhold their consent to the appointment of a Key Subcontractor if it considers that:
 - 1.3.1 the appointment of a proposed Key Subcontractor may prejudice the provision of the Deliverables or may be contrary to its interests;
 - 1.3.2 the proposed Key Subcontractor is unreliable and/or has not provided reliable goods and or reasonable services to its other customers; and/or
 - 1.3.3 the proposed Key Subcontractor employs unfit persons.
- 1.4 The Supplier shall provide CCS and the Buyer with the following information in respect of the proposed Key Subcontractor:
 - 1.4.1 the proposed Key Subcontractor's name, registered office and company registration number;
 - 1.4.2 the scope/description of any Deliverables to be provided by the proposed Key Subcontractor;
 - 1.4.3 where the proposed Key Subcontractor is an Affiliate of the Supplier, evidence that demonstrates to the reasonable satisfaction of the CCS and the Buyer that the proposed Key Sub-Contract has been agreed on "arm's-length" terms;
 - 1.4.4 for CCS, the Key Sub-Contract price expressed as a percentage of the total projected DPS Price over the DPS Contract Period;
 - 1.4.5 for the Buyer, the Key Sub-Contract price expressed as a percentage of the total projected Charges over the Order Contract Period; and
 - 1.4.6 (where applicable) Credit Rating Threshold (as defined in Joint Schedule 7 (Financial Distress)) of the Key Subcontractor.

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- 1.5 If requested by CCS and/or the Buyer, within ten (10) Working Days of receipt of the information provided by the Supplier pursuant to Paragraph 1.4, the Supplier shall also provide:
 - 1.5.1 a copy of the proposed Key Sub-Contract; and
 - 1.5.2 any further information reasonably requested by CCS and/or the Buyer.
- 1.6 The Supplier shall ensure that each new or replacement Key Sub-Contract shall include:
 - 1.6.1 provisions which will enable the Supplier to discharge its obligations under the Contracts:
 - 1.6.2 a right under CRTPA for CCS and the Buyer to enforce any provisions under the Key Sub-Contract which confer a benefit upon CCS and the Buyer respectively;
 - 1.6.3 a provision enabling CCS and the Buyer to enforce the Key Sub-Contract as if it were the Supplier;
 - 1.6.4 a provision enabling the Supplier to assign, novate or otherwise transfer any of its rights and/or obligations under the Key Sub-Contract to CCS and/or the Buyer;
 - 1.6.5 obligations no less onerous on the Key Subcontractor than those imposed on the Supplier under the DPS Contract in respect of:
 - (a) the data protection requirements set out in Clause 14 (Data protection);
 - (b) the FOIA and other access request requirements set out in Clause 16 (When you can share information);
 - (c) the obligation not to embarrass CCS or the Buyer or otherwise bring CCS or the Buyer into disrepute;
 - (d) the keeping of records in respect of the goods and/or services being provided under the Key Sub-Contract, including the maintenance of Open Book Data; and
 - (e) the conduct of audits set out in Clause 6 (Record keeping and reporting);
 - 1.6.6 provisions enabling the Supplier to terminate the Key Sub-Contract on notice on terms no more onerous on the Supplier than those imposed on CCS and the Buyer under Clauses 10.4 (When CCS or the Buyer can end this contract) and 10.5 (What happens if the contract ends) of this Contract; and
 - 1.6.7 a provision restricting the ability of the Key Subcontractor to sub-contract all or any part of the provision of the Deliverables provided to the Supplier under the Key Sub-Contract without first seeking the written consent of CCS and the Buyer.

Joint Schedule 10 (Rectification Plan)

Request for [Revised] Rectification Plan			
Details of the Default:	[Guidance: Explain the Default, with clear schedule and clause references as appropriate]		
Deadline for receiving the [Revised] Rectification Plan:	[add date (minimum 10 days from request)]		
Signed by [CCS/Buyer] :		Date:	
Sup	Supplier [Revised] Rectification Plan		
Cause of the Default	[add cause]		
Anticipated impact assessment:	[add impact]		
Actual effect of Default:	[add effect]		
Steps to be taken to	Steps	Timescale	
rectification:	1.	[date]	
	2.	[date]	
	3.	[date]	
	4.	[date]	
	[]	[date]	
Timescale for complete Rectification of Default [X] Working Days			
Steps taken to prevent	Steps	Timescale	
recurrence of Default	1.	[date]	
	2.	[date]	
	3.	[date]	
	4.	[date]	
	[]	[date]	

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Signed by the Supplier:		Date:	
Review of Rectification Plan [CCS/Buyer]			
Outcome of review	[Plan Accepted] [Plan Rejected] [Revised Plan Requested]		
Reasons for Rejection (if applicable)	[add reasons]		
Signed by [CCS/Buyer]		Date:	

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Definitions

1. In this Schedule, the following words shall have the following meanings and they shall supplement Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions):

"Processor Personnel"

all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and suppliers of the Processor and/or of any Subprocessor engaged in the

performance of its obligations under a Contract;

Status of the Controller

- 2. The Parties acknowledge that for the purposes of the Data Protection Legislation, the nature of the activity carried out by each of them in relation to their respective obligations under a Contract dictates the status of each party under the DPA 2018. A Party may act as:
- (a) "Controller" in respect of the other Party who is "Processor";
- (b) "Processor" in respect of the other Party who is "Controller";
- (c) "Joint Controller" with the other Party;
- (d) "Independent Controller" of the Personal Data where the other Party is also "Controller",

in respect of certain Personal Data under a Contract and shall specify in Annex 1 (*Processing Personal Data*) which scenario they think shall apply in each situation.

Where one Party is Controller and the other Party its Processor

- 3. Where a Party is a Processor, the only Processing that it is authorised to do is listed in Annex 1 (*Processing Personal Data*) by the Controller.
- 4. The Processor shall notify the Controller immediately if it considers that any of the Controller's instructions infringe the Data Protection Legislation.
- 5. 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 and the purpose of the Processing;
- (b) an assessment of the necessity and proportionality of the Processing in relation to the Deliverables:
- (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.
- 6. The Processor shall, in relation to any Personal Data Processed in connection with its obligations under the Contract:

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- (a) Process that Personal Data only in accordance with Annex 1 (*Processing Personal Data*), unless the Processor is required to do otherwise by Law. If it is so required the Processor shall notify the Controller before Processing the Personal Data unless prohibited by Law:
- (b) ensure that it has in place Protective Measures, including in the case of the Supplier the measures set out in Clause 14.3 of the Core Terms, 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 Personal Data Breach;
 - (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 the Contract (and in particular Annex 1 (*Processing Personal Data*));
 - (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 Joint Schedule 11, Clauses 14 (*Data protection*), 15 (*What you must keep confidential*) and 16 (*When you can share information*);
 - (B) are subject to appropriate confidentiality undertakings with the Processor or any Subprocessor;
 - (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 the Contract; and
 - (D) have undergone adequate training in the use, care, protection and handling of Personal Data;
- (d) not transfer Personal Data outside of the UK or EU unless the prior written consent of the Controller has been obtained and the following conditions are fulfilled:
 - (i) the Controller or the Processor has provided appropriate safeguards in relation to the transfer (whether in accordance with UK 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; and

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- (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 Contract unless the Processor is required by Law to retain the Personal Data.
- 7. Subject to paragraph 7 of this Joint Schedule 11, the Processor shall notify the Controller immediately if in relation to it Processing Personal Data under or in connection with the Contract it:
- (a) receives a Data Subject Access Request (or purported Data Subject Access 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 the Contract;
- (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 Personal Data Breach.
- 8. The Processor's obligation to notify under paragraph 6 of this Joint Schedule 11 shall include the provision of further information to the Controller, as details become available.
- 9. Taking into account the nature of the Processing, the Processor shall provide the Controller with assistance in relation to either Party's obligations under Data Protection Legislation and any complaint, communication or request made under paragraph 6 of this Joint Schedule 11 (and insofar as possible within the timescales reasonably required by the Controller) including by immediately providing:
- (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 it to comply with a Data Subject Access 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 Personal Data Breach; and/or
- (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.
- 10. The Processor shall maintain complete and accurate records and information to demonstrate its compliance with this Joint Schedule 11. 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 UK GDPR or Personal Data relating to criminal convictions and offences referred to in Article 10 of the UK GDPR; or

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- (c) the Controller determines that the Processing is likely to result in a risk to the rights and freedoms of Data Subjects.
- 11. The Processor shall allow for audits of its Data Processing activity by the Controller or the Controller's designated auditor.
- 12. The Parties shall designate a Data Protection Officer if required by the Data Protection Legislation.
- 13. Before allowing any Subprocessor to Process any Personal Data related to the Contract, the Processor must:
- (a) notify the Controller in writing of the intended Subprocessor and Processing;
- (b) obtain the written consent of the Controller;
- (c) enter into a written agreement with the Subprocessor which give effect to the terms set out in this Joint Schedule 11 such that they apply to the Subprocessor; and
- (d) provide the Controller with such information regarding the Subprocessor as the Controller may reasonably require.
- 14. The Processor shall remain fully liable for all acts or omissions of any of its Subprocessors.
- 15. The Relevant Authority may, at any time on not less than thirty (30) Working Days' notice, revise this Joint Schedule 11 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 the Contract).
- 16. The Parties agree to take account of any guidance issued by the Information Commissioner's Office. The Relevant Authority may on not less than thirty (30) Working Days' notice to the Supplier amend the Contract to ensure that it complies with any guidance issued by the Information Commissioner's Office.

Where the Parties are Joint Controllers of Personal Data

17. In the event that the Parties are Joint Controllers in respect of Personal Data under the Contract, the Parties shall implement paragraphs that are necessary to comply with UK GDPR Article 26 based on the terms set out in Annex 2 to this Joint Schedule 11.

Independent Controllers of Personal Data

- 18. With respect to Personal Data provided by one Party to another Party for which each Party acts as Controller but which is not under the Joint Control of the Parties, each Party undertakes to comply with the applicable Data Protection Legislation in respect of their Processing of such Personal Data as Controller.
- 19. Each Party shall Process the Personal Data in compliance with its obligations under the Data Protection Legislation and not do anything to cause the other Party to be in breach of it.
- 20. Where a Party has provided Personal Data to the other Party in accordance with paragraph 8 of this Joint Schedule 11 above, the recipient of the Personal Data will provide all such relevant documents and information relating to its data protection policies and procedures as the other Party may reasonably require.

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- 21. The Parties shall be responsible for their own compliance with Articles 13 and 14 UK GDPR in respect of the Processing of Personal Data for the purposes of the Contract.
- 22. The Parties shall only provide Personal Data to each other:
- (a) to the extent necessary to perform their respective obligations under the Contract;
- (b) in compliance with the Data Protection Legislation (including by ensuring all required data privacy information has been given to affected Data Subjects to meet the requirements of Articles 13 and 14 of the UK GDPR); and
- (c) where it has recorded it in Annex 1 (Processing Personal Data).
- 23. Taking into account the state of the art, the costs of implementation and the nature, scope, context and purposes of Processing as well as the risk of varying likelihood and severity for the rights and freedoms of natural persons, each Party shall, with respect to its Processing of Personal Data as Independent Controller, implement and maintain appropriate technical and organisational measures to ensure a level of security appropriate to that risk, including, as appropriate, the measures referred to in Article 32(1)(a), (b), (c) and (d) of the UK GDPR, and the measures shall, at a minimum, comply with the requirements of the Data Protection Legislation, including Article 32 of the UK GDPR.
- 24. A Party Processing Personal Data for the purposes of the Contract shall maintain a record of its Processing activities in accordance with Article 30 UK GDPR and shall make the record available to the other Party upon reasonable request.
- 25. Where a Party receives a request by any Data Subject to exercise any of their rights under the Data Protection Legislation in relation to the Personal Data provided to it by the other Party pursuant to the Contract ("Request Recipient"):
- (a) the other Party shall provide any information and/or assistance as reasonably requested by the Request Recipient to help it respond to the request or correspondence, at the cost of the Request Recipient; or
- (b) where the request or correspondence is directed to the other Party and/or relates to that other Party's Processing of the Personal Data, the Request Recipient will:
 - (i) promptly, and in any event within five (5) Working Days of receipt of the request or correspondence, inform the other Party that it has received the same and shall forward such request or correspondence to the other Party; and
 - (ii) provide any information and/or assistance as reasonably requested by the other Party to help it respond to the request or correspondence in the timeframes specified by Data Protection Legislation.
- 26. Each Party shall promptly notify the other Party upon it becoming aware of any Personal Data Breach relating to Personal Data provided by the other Party pursuant to the Contract and shall:
- (a) do all such things as reasonably necessary to assist the other Party in mitigating the effects of the Personal Data Breach:

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- (b) implement any measures necessary to restore the security of any compromised Personal Data;
- (c) work with the other Party to make any required notifications to the Information Commissioner's Office and affected Data Subjects in accordance with the Data Protection Legislation (including the timeframes set out therein); and
- (d) not do anything which may damage the reputation of the other Party or that Party's relationship with the relevant Data Subjects, save as required by Law.
- 27. Personal Data provided by one Party to the other Party may be used exclusively to exercise rights and obligations under the Contract as specified in Annex 1 (*Processing Personal Data*).
- 28. Personal Data shall not be retained or processed for longer than is necessary to perform each Party's respective obligations under the Contract which is specified in Annex 1 (*Processing Personal Data*).
- 29. Notwithstanding the general application of paragraphs 2 to 16 of this Joint Schedule 11 to Personal Data, where the Supplier is required to exercise its regulatory and/or legal obligations in respect of Personal Data, it shall act as an Independent Controller of Personal Data in accordance with paragraphs 18 to 27 of this Joint Schedule 11.

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Annex A - Processing Personal Data

This Annex shall be completed by the Controller, who may take account of the view of the Processors, however the final decision as to the content of this Annex shall be with the Relevant Authority at its absolute discretion.

1.1 The contact details of the Relevant Authority's Data Protection Officer are:

Department for Science, Innovation and Technology (DSIT) 100 Parliament Street London SW1A 2BQ

Email: John.Deene@beis.gov.uk

- 1.2 The contact details of the Supplier's Data Protection Officer are:
- 1.3 The Processor shall comply with any further written instructions with respect to Processing by the Controller.
- 1.4 Any such further instructions shall be incorporated into this Annex.

Description	Details
Identity of Controller for each Category of Personal Data	The Relevant Authority is Controller and the Supplier is Processor The Parties acknowledge that in accordance with paragraph 2 to paragraph 15 and for the purposes of the Data Protection Legislation, the Relevant Authority is the Controller and the Supplier is the Processor of the following Personal Data: The Department for Science, Innovation and Technology (DSIT) is the data controller for the personal data we describe in our privacy information. A data controller determines how and why personal data is processed. The majority of the personal data we process is in pursuance of our statutory functions as a government department, however we may also process your personal data: • with your consent • in order to fulfil a legal obligation • for DBT's defined legitimate interests • in order to protect the vital interests of an individual(s) • for the performance of a contract we have, or may, enter into with you

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	The Supplier is Controller and the Relevant Authority is Processor
	The Parties acknowledge that for the purposes of the Data Protection Legislation, the Supplier is the Controller and the Relevant Authority is the Processor in accordance with paragraph 2 to paragraph 15 of the following Personal Data:
	 The procurement will require the processing of a range of personal data is likely to include, but is not limited to: Identity Data including first name, last name, and title. Contact Data including business address(s), email address, and telephone numbers.
Duration of the Processing	The project will commence in January 2024 and will last until March 2025.
Nature and purposes of the Processing	The data processor will be the appointed contractor, and the data controller will be DSIT. The nature of processing will be the collection and recording of data from the respondent types mentioned above, as well as structure and storage of the data collected. The appointed contractor will then prepare the findings for dissemination. However, DSIT will be responsible for approving all outputs before wider dissemination.
	The purpose of the data collection is to understand how best to design a taxonomy which achieves our objectives, ensuring that the information generated through a taxonomy is decision-useful to both investors and companies.
	The nature of processing will include the storage and use of names and business contact details of staff of both the Contracting Authority and the Supplier as necessary to deliver the services and to undertake the Contract and performance management. The Contract itself will include the names and business contact details of staff of both the Contracting Authority and the Supplier involved in managing the Contract.
Type of Personal Data	Role in company, contact details, names, business addresses, home addresses, home telephone numbers, work telephone numbers, mobile numbers, email addresses, sex, dates of birth. Names, business telephone numbers and email addresses, office location and position of staff of both the Contracting Authority and the Supplier as necessary to deliver the services and to undertake the Contract and performance management. The Contract itself will include the names and business contact details of staff of both the Contracting Authority and the Supplier involved in managing the Contract.
Categories of Data Subject	Staff of the Contracting Authority and the Supplier, including where those employees are names within the Contract itself or involved within the contract management.

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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

Delete the Personal Data and erase the Personal Data from any computers, storage devices and storage media that are to be retained by the Supplier after the expiry of the Contract. The Supplier will certify to the Contracting Authority that it has completed such deletion.

Delete the Personal Data and erase the Personal Data from any computers, storage devices and storage media that are to be retained by the Supplier after the expiry of the Contract. The Supplier will certify to the Contracting Authority that it has completed such deletion.

Where Personal Data is contained within the Contract documentation, this will be retained in line with the Department's privacy notice found within the Procurement Documents.

The nature of the service will require the Supplier to collect personal data directly from data subjects. The Supplier will use the agreed Contracting Authority privacy notice as instructed by the Contracting Authority.

At times, the Contracting Authority may be relying on consent as the relevant legal basis of processing. The Supplier will ensure that all communications requesting the provision on personal data allow for the data subject to provide clear, affirmative, informed, freely given and unambiguous consent, which requires a positive 'opt-in.' the Supplier will have mechanisms in place to ensure that consent is recorded and shown through an audit trail.

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1. **Definitions**

1.1 In this Schedule, the following words shall have the following meanings and they shall supplement Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions):

"Contracts Finder" the Government's publishing portal for public

sector procurement opportunities;

"SME" an enterprise falling within the category of micro,

> small and medium sized enterprises defined by the Commission Recommendation of 6 May 2003 concerning the definition of micro, small

and medium sized enterprises;

Report Template"

"Supply Chain Information the document at Annex 1 of this Schedule 12;

and

"VCSE" a non-governmental organisation that is value-

> driven and which principally reinvests its surpluses to further social, environmental or

cultural objectives.

2. Visibility of Sub-Contract Opportunities in the Supply Chain

- 2.1 The Supplier shall:
- subject to Paragraph 2.3, advertise on Contracts Finder all Sub-Contract opportunities arising from or in connection with the provision of the Deliverables above a minimum threshold of £25,000 that arise during the Contract Period;
- within 90 days of awarding a Sub-Contract to a Subcontractor, update the notice 2.1.2 on Contract Finder with details of the successful Subcontractor;
- 2.1.3 monitor the number, type and value of the Sub-Contract opportunities placed on Contracts Finder advertised and awarded in its supply chain during the Contract Period:
- provide reports on the information at Paragraph 2.1.3 to the Relevant Authority in 2.1.4 the format and frequency as reasonably specified by the Relevant Authority; and
- promote Contracts Finder to its suppliers and encourage those organisations to 2.1.5 register on Contracts Finder.
- 2.2 Each advert referred to at Paragraph 2.1.1 of this Schedule 12 shall provide a full and detailed description of the Sub-Contract opportunity with each of the mandatory fields being completed on Contracts Finder by the Supplier.

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- 2.3 The obligation on the Supplier set out at Paragraph 2.1 shall only apply in respect of Sub-Contract opportunities arising after the Effective Date.
- 2.4 Notwithstanding Paragraph 2.1, the Authority may by giving its prior Approval, agree that a Sub-Contract opportunity is not required to be advertised by the Supplier on Contracts Finder.

3. Visibility of Supply Chain Spend

- 3.1 In addition to any other management information requirements set out in the Contract, the Supplier agrees and acknowledges that it shall, at no charge, provide timely, full, accurate and complete SME management information reports (the "SME Management Information Reports") to the Relevant Authority which incorporates the data described in the Supply Chain Information Report Template which is:
 - (a) the total contract revenue received directly on the Contract;
 - (b) the total value of sub-contracted revenues under the Contract (including revenues for non-SMEs/non-VCSEs); and
 - (c) the total value of sub-contracted revenues to SMEs and VCSEs.
- 3.2 The SME Management Information Reports shall be provided by the Supplier in the correct format as required by the Supply Chain Information Report Template and any guidance issued by the Relevant Authority from time to time. The Supplier agrees that it shall use the Supply Chain Information Report Template to provide the information detailed at Paragraph 3.1(a) –(c) and acknowledges that the template may be changed from time to time (including the data required and/or format) by the Relevant Authority issuing a replacement version. The Relevant Authority agrees to give at least thirty (30) days' notice in writing of any such change and shall specify the date from which it must be used.
- 3.3 The Supplier further agrees and acknowledges that it may not make any amendment to the Supply Chain Information Report Template without the prior Approval of the Authority.

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Order Schedule 1 (Transparency Reports)

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Order Schedule 1 (Transparency Reports)

- 1.1 The Supplier recognises that the Buyer is subject to PPN 01/17 (Updates to transparency principles v1.1 (https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policy-note-0117-update-to-transparency-principles). The Supplier shall comply with the provisions of this Schedule in order to assist the Buyer with its compliance with its obligations under that PPN.
- 1.2 Without prejudice to the Supplier's reporting requirements set out in the DPS Contract, within three (3) Months of the Start Date the Supplier shall submit to the Buyer for Approval (such Approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) draft Transparency Reports consistent with the content requirements and format set out in the Annex of this Schedule.
- 1.3 If the Buyer rejects any proposed Transparency Report submitted by the Supplier, the Supplier shall submit a revised version of the relevant report for further Approval within five (5) days of receipt of any notice of rejection, taking account of any recommendations for revision and improvement to the report provided by the Buyer. If the Parties fail to agree on a draft Transparency Report the Buyer shall determine what should be included. Any other disagreement in connection with Transparency Reports shall be treated as a Dispute.
- 1.4 The Supplier shall provide accurate and up-to-date versions of each Transparency Report to the Buyer at the frequency referred to in the Annex of this Schedule.

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Annex A: List of Transparency Reports

Title	Content	Format	Frequency
Performance	Full	MS Excel or Word as appropriate	At start of contract, midway and at end of contract
Call-Off Contract Charges	Full	MS Excel or Word as appropriate	At start of contract, midway and at end of contract
Key Subcontractors	Full	MS Excel or Word as appropriate	At start of contract, midway and at end of contract
Technical	Full	MS Excel or Word as appropriate	At start of contract, midway and at end of contract

1. Definitions

1.1 In this Schedule, the following words have the following meanings and they shall supplement Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions):

"Acquired Rights Directive"	1 the European Council Directive 77/187/EEC on the approximation of laws of European member states relating to the safeguarding of employees' rights in the event of transfers of undertakings, businesses or parts of undertakings or businesses, as amended or reenacted from time to time;	
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"Employee Liability"	3 all claims, actions, proceedings, orders, demands, complaints, investigations (save for any claims for personal injury which are covered by insurance) and any award, compensation, damages, tribunal awards, fine, loss, order, penalty, disbursement, payment made by way of settlement and costs, expenses and legal costs reasonably incurred in connection with a claim or investigation including in relation to the following:	
	a) redundancy payments including contractual or enhanced redundancy costs, termination costs and notice payments;	
	b) unfair, wrongful or constructive dismissal compensation;	
	c) compensation for discrimination on grounds of sex, race, disability, age, religion or belief, gender reassignment, marriage or civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity or sexual orientation or claims for equal pay;	
	 d) compensation for less favourable treatment of part-time workers or fixed term employees; 	
	e) outstanding employment debts and unlawful deduction of wages including any PAYE and National Insurance Contributions;	

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	f) employment claims whether in tort, contract or statute or otherwise;	
	g) any investigation relating to employment matters by the Equality and Human Rights Commission or other enforcement, regulatory or supervisory body and of implementing any requirements which may arise from such investigation;	
"Former Supplier"	a supplier supplying services to the Buyer before the Relevant Transfer Date that are the same as or substantially similar to the Services (or any part of the Services) and shall include any Subcontractor of such supplier (or any Subcontractor of any such Subcontractor);	
"New Fair Deal"	the revised Fair Deal position set out in the HM Treasury guidance: "Fair Deal for Staff Pensions: Staff Transfer from Central Government" issued in October 2013 including:	
	(i) any amendments to that document immediately prior to the Relevant Transfer Date; and	
	(ii) any similar pension protection in accordance with the Annexes D1-D3 inclusive to Part D of this Schedule as notified to the Supplier by the Buyer;	
"Old Fair Deal"	HM Treasury Guidance "Staff Transfers from Central Government: A Fair Deal for Staff Pensions" issued in June 1999 including the supplementary guidance "Fair Deal for Staff pensions: Procurement of Bulk Transfer Agreements and Related Issues" issued in June 2004;	
"Partial Termination"	the partial termination of the relevant Contract to the extent that it relates to the provision of any part of the Services as further provided for in Clause 10.4 (When CCS or the Buyer can end this contract) or 10.6 (When the Supplier can end the contract);	
"Relevant Transfer"	a transfer of employment to which the Employment Regulations applies;	
"Relevant Transfer Date"	in relation to a Relevant Transfer, the date upon which the Relevant Transfer takes place. For the purposes of Part D: Pensions and its Annexes, where the Supplier or a Subcontractor was the Former Supplier and there is no Relevant Transfer of the Fair Deal Employees because they remain continuously employed by the	

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	Supplier (or Subcontractor), references to the Relevant Transfer Date shall become references to the Start Date;	
"Staffing Information"	in relation to all persons identified on the Supplier's Provisional Supplier Personnel List or Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List, as the case may be, such information as the Buyer may reasonably request (subject to all applicable provisions of the Data Protection Legislation), but including in an anonymised format:	
	(a) their ages, dates of commencement of employment or engagement, gender and place of work;	
	(b) details of whether they are employed, self- employed contractors or consultants, agency workers or otherwise;	
	(c) the identity of the employer or relevant contracting Party;	
	(d) their relevant contractual notice periods and any other terms relating to termination of employment, including redundancy procedures, and redundancy payments;	
	(e) their wages, salaries, bonuses and profit sharing arrangements as applicable;	
	(f) details of other employment-related benefits, including (without limitation) medical insurance, life assurance, pension or other retirement benefit schemes, share option schemes and company car schedules applicable to them;	
	(g) any outstanding or potential contractual, statutory or other liabilities in respect of such individuals (including in respect of personal injury claims);	
	(h) details of any such individuals on long term sickness absence, parental leave, maternity leave or other authorised long term absence;	
	(i) copies of all relevant documents and materials relating to such information, including copies of relevant contracts of employment (or relevant	

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	standard contracts if applied generally in respect of such employees); and
	(j) any other "employee liability information" as such term is defined in regulation 11 of the Employment Regulations;
"Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List"	a list provided by the Supplier of all Supplier Staff whose will transfer under the Employment Regulations on the Service Transfer Date;
"Supplier's Provisional Supplier Personnel List"	a list prepared and updated by the Supplier of all Supplier Staff who are at the date of the list wholly or mainly engaged in or assigned to the provision of the Services or any relevant part of the Services which it is envisaged as at the date of such list will no longer be provided by the Supplier;
"Term"	the period commencing on the Start Date and ending on the expiry of the Initial Period or any Extension Period or on earlier termination of the relevant Contract;
"Transferring Buyer Employees"	those employees of the Buyer to whom the Employment Regulations will apply on the Relevant Transfer Date;
"Transferring Former Supplier Employees"	in relation to a Former Supplier, those employees of the Former Supplier to whom the Employment Regulations will apply on the Relevant Transfer Date.

2. INTERPRETATION

- 2.1 Where a provision in this Schedule imposes any obligation on the Supplier including (without limit) to comply with a requirement or provide an indemnity, undertaking or warranty, the Supplier shall procure that each of its Subcontractors shall comply with such obligation and provide such indemnity, undertaking or warranty to CCS, the Buyer, Former Supplier, Replacement Supplier or Replacement Subcontractor, as the case may be and where the Subcontractor fails to satisfy any claims under such indemnities the Supplier will be liable for satisfying any such claim as if it had provided the indemnity itself.
- 2.2 The provisions of Paragraphs 2.1 and 2.6 of Part A, Paragraph 3.1 of Part B, Paragraphs 1.5, 1.7 and 1.9 of Part C, Part D and Paragraphs 1.4, 2.3 and 2.8 of Part E of this Schedule (together "Third Party Provisions") confer benefits on third parties (each such person a "Third Party Beneficiary") and are intended to be enforceable by Third Party Beneficiaries by virtue of the CRTPA.
- 2.3 Subject to Paragraph 2.2 above, a person who is not a Party to this Order Contract has no right under the CRTPA to enforce any term of this Order

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- Contract but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available otherwise than pursuant to that Act.
- 2.4 No Third Party Beneficiary may enforce, or take any step to enforce, any Third Party Provision without the prior written consent of the Buyer, which may, if given, be given on and subject to such terms as the Buyer may determine.
- 2.5 Any amendments or modifications to this Order Contract may be made, and any rights created under Paragraph 2.2 above may be altered or extinguished, by the Parties without the consent of any Third Party Beneficiary.

3. Which parts of this Schedule applies

Only the following parts of this Schedule shall apply to this Call Off Contract:

- Part C (No Staff Transfer on the Start Date)
- Part E (Staff Transfer on Exit)

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PART C: NO STAFF TRANSFER ON THE START DATE

1. What happens if there is a staff transfer

- 1.1 The Buyer and the Supplier agree that the commencement of the provision of the Services or of any part of the Services will not be a Relevant Transfer in relation to any employees of the Buyer and/or any Former Supplier.
- 1.2 If any employee of the Buyer and/or a Former Supplier claims, or it is determined in relation to any employee of the Buyer and/or a Former Supplier, that his/her contract of employment has been transferred from the Buyer and/or the Former Supplier to the Supplier and/or any Subcontractor pursuant to the Employment Regulations or the Acquired Rights Directive then:
 - 1.2.1 the Supplier shall, and shall procure that the relevant Subcontractor shall, within 5 Working Days of becoming aware of that fact, notify the Buyer in writing and, where required by the Buyer, notify the Former Supplier in writing; and
 - the Buyer and/or the Former Supplier may offer (or may procure that a third party may offer) employment to such person within 15 Working Days of the notification from the Supplier or the Subcontractor (as appropriate) or take such other reasonable steps as the Buyer or Former Supplier (as the case may be) it considers appropriate to deal with the matter provided always that such steps are in compliance with applicable Law.
- 1.3 If an offer referred to in Paragraph 1.2.2 is accepted (or if the situation has otherwise been resolved by the Buyer and/or the Former Supplier),, the Supplier shall, or shall procure that the Subcontractor shall, immediately release the person from his/her employment or alleged employment.
- 1.4 If by the end of the 15 Working Day period referred to in Paragraph 1.2.2:
 - 1.4.1 no such offer of employment has been made;
 - 1.4.2 such offer has been made but not accepted; or
 - 1.4.3 the situation has not otherwise been resolved;

the Supplier may within 5 Working Days give notice to terminate the employment or alleged employment of such person.

- 1.5 Subject to the Supplier and/or the relevant Subcontractor acting in accordance with the provisions of Paragraphs 1.2 to 1.4 and in accordance with all applicable employment procedures set out in applicable Law and subject also to Paragraph 1.8 the Buyer shall:
 - 1.5.1 indemnify the Supplier and/or the relevant Subcontractor against all Employee Liabilities arising out of the termination of the employment of any of the Buyer's employees referred to in Paragraph 1.2 made pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 1.4

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provided that the Supplier takes, or shall procure that the Subcontractor takes, all reasonable steps to minimise any such Employee Liabilities; and

- 1.5.2 procure that the Former Supplier indemnifies the Supplier and/or any Subcontractor against all Employee Liabilities arising out of termination of the employment of the employees of the Former Supplier referred to in Paragraph 1.2 made pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 1.4 provided that the Supplier takes, or shall procure that the relevant Subcontractor takes, all reasonable steps to minimise any such Employee Liabilities.
- 1.6 If any such person as is described in Paragraph 1.2 is neither re employed by the Buyer and/or the Former Supplier as appropriate nor dismissed by the Supplier and/or any Subcontractor within the 15 Working Day period referred to in Paragraph 1.4 such person shall be treated as having transferred to the Supplier and/or the Subcontractor (as appropriate) and the Supplier shall, or shall procure that the Subcontractor shall, comply with such obligations as may be imposed upon it under Law.
- 1.7 Where any person remains employed by the Supplier and/or any Subcontractor pursuant to Paragraph 1.6, all Employee Liabilities in relation to such employee shall remain with the Supplier and/or the Subcontractor and the Supplier shall indemnify the Buyer and any Former Supplier, and shall procure that the Subcontractor shall indemnify the Buyer and any Former Supplier, against any Employee Liabilities that either of them may incur in respect of any such employees of the Supplier and/or employees of the Subcontractor.
- 1.8 The indemnities in Paragraph 1.5:
 - 1.8.1 shall not apply to:
 - (a) any claim for:
 - discrimination, including on the grounds of sex, race, disability, age, gender reassignment, marriage or civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity or sexual orientation, religion or belief; or
 - (ii) equal pay or compensation for less favourable treatment of part-time workers or fixed-term employees,

in any case in relation to any alleged act or omission of the Supplier and/or Subcontractor; or

- (b) any claim that the termination of employment was unfair because the Supplier and/or any Subcontractor neglected to follow a fair dismissal procedure; and
- 1.8.2 shall apply only where the notification referred to in Paragraph 1.2.1 is made by the Supplier and/or any Subcontractor to the Buyer and, if applicable, Former Supplier within 6 months of the Start Date.

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1.9 If the Supplier and/or the Subcontractor does not comply with Paragraph 1.2, all Employee Liabilities in relation to such employees shall remain with the Supplier and/or the Subcontractor and the Supplier shall (i) comply with the provisions of Part D: Pensions of this Schedule, and (ii) indemnify the Buyer and any Former Supplier against any Employee Liabilities that either of them may incur in respect of any such employees of the Supplier and/or employees of the Subcontractor.

2. Limits on the Former Supplier's obligations

Where in this Part C the Buyer accepts an obligation to procure that a Former Supplier does or does not do something, such obligation shall be limited so that it extends only to the extent that the Buyer's contract with the Former Supplier contains a contractual right in that regard which the Buyer may enforce, or otherwise so that it requires only that the Buyer must use reasonable endeavours to procure that the Former Supplier does or does not act accordingly.

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Part E: Staff Transfer on Exit

- 1. Obligations before a Staff Transfer
- 1.1 The Supplier agrees that within 20 Working Days of the earliest of:
 - 1.1.1 receipt of a notification from the Buyer of a Service Transfer or intended Service Transfer:
 - 1.1.2 receipt of the giving of notice of early termination or any Partial Termination of the relevant Contract:
 - 1.1.3 the date which is 12 Months before the end of the Term; and
 - 1.1.4 receipt of a written request of the Buyer at any time (provided that the Buyer shall only be entitled to make one such request in any 6 Month period),

it shall provide in a suitably anonymised format so as to comply with the Data Protection Legislation, the Supplier's Provisional Supplier Personnel List, together with the Staffing Information in relation to the Supplier's Provisional Supplier Personnel List and it shall provide an updated Supplier's Provisional Supplier Personnel List at such intervals as are reasonably requested by the Buyer.

- 1.2 At least 20 Working Days prior to the Service Transfer Date, the Supplier shall provide to the Buyer or at the direction of the Buyer to any Replacement Supplier and/or any Replacement Subcontractor (i) the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List, which shall identify the basis upon which they are Transferring Supplier Employees and (ii) the Staffing Information in relation to the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List (insofar as such information has not previously been provided).
- 1.3 The Buyer shall be permitted to use and disclose information provided by the Supplier under Paragraphs 1.1 and 1.2 for the purpose of informing any prospective Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Subcontractor.
- 1.4 The Supplier warrants, for the benefit of The Buyer, any Replacement Supplier, and any Replacement Subcontractor that all information provided pursuant to Paragraphs 1.1 and 1.2 shall be true and accurate in all material respects at the time of providing the information.
- 1.5 From the date of the earliest event referred to in Paragraph 1.1.1, 1.1.2 and 1.1.3, the Supplier agrees that it shall not, and agrees to procure that each Subcontractor shall not, assign any person to the provision of the Services who is not listed on the Supplier's Provisional Supplier Personnel List and shall not without the approval of the Buyer (not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed):
 - 1.5.1 replace or re-deploy any Supplier Staff listed on the Supplier Provisional Supplier Personnel List other than where any replacement is of equivalent grade, skills, experience and expertise and is employed on the same terms and conditions of employment as the person he/she replaces

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- 1.5.2 make, promise, propose, permit or implement any material changes to the terms and conditions of employment of the Supplier Staff (including pensions and any payments connected with the termination of employment);
- 1.5.3 increase the proportion of working time spent on the Services (or the relevant part of the Services) by any of the Supplier Staff save for fulfilling assignments and projects previously scheduled and agreed;
- 1.5.4 introduce any new contractual or customary practice concerning the making of any lump sum payment on the termination of employment of any employees listed on the Supplier's Provisional Supplier Personnel List;
- 1.5.5 increase or reduce the total number of employees so engaged, or deploy any other person to perform the Services (or the relevant part of the Services);
- 1.5.6 terminate or give notice to terminate the employment or contracts of any persons on the Supplier's Provisional Supplier Personnel List save by due disciplinary process;
- and shall promptly notify, and procure that each Subcontractor shall promptly notify, the Buyer or, at the direction of the Buyer, any Replacement Supplier and any Replacement Subcontractor of any notice to terminate employment given by the Supplier or relevant Subcontractor or received from any persons listed on the Supplier's Provisional Supplier Personnel List regardless of when such notice takes effect.
- 1.6 On or around each anniversary of the Start Date and up to four times during the last 12 Months of the Term, the Buyer may make written requests to the Supplier for information relating to the manner in which the Services are organised. Within 20 Working Days of receipt of a written request the Supplier shall provide, and shall procure that each Subcontractor shall provide, to the Buyersuch information as the Buyer may reasonably require relating to the manner in which the Services are organised, which shall include:
 - 1.6.1 the numbers of employees engaged in providing the Services;
 - 1.6.2 the percentage of time spent by each employee engaged in providing the Services;
 - the extent to which each employee qualifies for membership of any of the Statutory Schemes or any Broadly Comparable scheme set up pursuant to the provisions of any of the Annexes to Part D (Pensions) (as appropriate); and
 - 1.6.4 a description of the nature of the work undertaken by each employee by location.
- 1.7 The Supplier shall provide, and shall procure that each Subcontractor shall provide, all reasonable cooperation and assistance to the Buyer, any Replacement Supplier and/or any Replacement Subcontractor to ensure the smooth transfer of the Transferring Supplier Employees on the Service Transfer Date including providing sufficient information in advance of the Service

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Transfer Date to ensure that all necessary payroll arrangements can be made to enable the Transferring Supplier Employees to be paid as appropriate. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, within 5 Working Days following the Service Transfer Date, the Supplier shall provide, and shall procure that each Subcontractor shall provide, to the Buyer or, at the direction of the Buyer, to any Replacement Supplier and/or any Replacement Subcontractor (as appropriate), in respect of each person on the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List who is a Transferring Supplier Employee:

- 1.7.1 the most recent month's copy pay slip data;
- 1.7.2 details of cumulative pay for tax and pension purposes;
- 1.7.3 details of cumulative tax paid;
- 1.7.4 tax code;
- 1.7.5 details of any voluntary deductions from pay; and
- 1.7.6 bank/building society account details for payroll purposes.

2. Staff Transfer when the contract ends

- 2.1 The Buyer and the Supplier acknowledge that subsequent to the commencement of the provision of the Services, the identity of the provider of the Services (or any part of the Services) may change (whether as a result of termination or Partial Termination of the relevant Contract or otherwise) resulting in the Services being undertaken by a Replacement Supplier and/or a Replacement Subcontractor. Such change in the identity of the supplier of such services may constitute a Relevant Transfer to which the Employment Regulations and/or the Acquired Rights Directive will apply. The Buyer and the Supplier agree that, as a result of the operation of the Employment Regulations, where a Relevant Transfer occurs, the contracts of employment between the Supplier and the Transferring Supplier Employees (except in relation to any contract terms disapplied through operation of regulation 10(2) of the Employment Regulations) will have effect on and from the Service Transfer Date as if originally made between the Replacement Supplier and/or a Replacement Subcontractor (as the case may be) and each such Transferring Supplier Employee.
- 2.2 The Supplier shall, and shall procure that each Subcontractor shall, comply with all its obligations in respect of the Transferring Supplier Employees arising under the Employment Regulations in respect of the period up to (and including) the Service Transfer Date and shall perform and discharge, and procure that each Subcontractor shall perform and discharge, all its obligations in respect of all the Transferring Supplier Employees arising in respect of the period up to (and including) the Service Transfer Date (including (without limit) the payment of all remuneration, benefits, entitlements, and outgoings, all wages, accrued but untaken holiday pay, bonuses, commissions, payments of PAYE, national insurance contributions and pension contributions and all such sums due as a result of any Fair Deal Employees' participation in the Schemes which in any case are attributable in whole or in part to the period ending on (and including) the Service Transfer Date) and any necessary apportionments in respect of any periodic payments shall be made between: (i) the Supplier and/or the

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- Subcontractor (as appropriate); and (ii) the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Subcontractor.
- 2.3 Subject to Paragraph 2.4, the Supplier shall indemnify the Buyer and/or the Replacement Supplier and/or any Replacement Subcontractor against any Employee Liabilities arising from or as a result of:
 - 2.3.1 any act or omission of the Supplier or any Subcontractor in respect of any Transferring Supplier Employee or any appropriate employee representative (as defined in the Employment Regulations) of any Transferring Supplier Employee whether occurring before, on or after the Service Transfer Date;
 - 2.3.2 the breach or non-observance by the Supplier or any Subcontractor occurring on or before the Service Transfer Date of:
 - (a) any collective agreement applicable to the Transferring Supplier Employees; and/or
 - (b) any other custom or practice with a trade union or staff association in respect of any Transferring Supplier Employees which the Supplier or any Subcontractor is contractually bound to honour;
 - 2.3.3 any claim by any trade union or other body or person representing any Transferring Supplier Employees arising from or connected with any failure by the Supplier or a Subcontractor to comply with any legal obligation to such trade union, body or person arising on or before the Service Transfer Date:
 - 2.3.4 any proceeding, claim or demand by HMRC or other statutory authority in respect of any financial obligation including, but not limited to, PAYE and primary and secondary national insurance contributions:
 - (a) in relation to any Transferring Supplier Employee, to the extent that the proceeding, claim or demand by HMRC or other statutory authority relates to financial obligations arising on and before the Service Transfer Date; and
 - (b) in relation to any employee who is not identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List, and in respect of whom it is later alleged or determined that the Employment Regulations applied so as to transfer his/her employment from the Supplier to the Buyer and/or Replacement Supplier and/or any Replacement Subcontractor, to the extent that the proceeding, claim or demand by HMRC or other statutory authority relates to financial obligations arising on or before the Service Transfer Date;

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- 2.3.5 a failure of the Supplier or any Subcontractor to discharge or procure the discharge of all wages, salaries and all other benefits and all PAYE tax deductions and national insurance contributions relating to the Transferring Supplier Employees in respect of the period up to (and including) the Service Transfer Date);
- 2.3.6 any claim made by or in respect of any person employed or formerly employed by the Supplier or any Subcontractor other than a Transferring Supplier Employee identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List for whom it is alleged the Buyer and/or the Replacement Supplier and/or any Replacement Subcontractor may be liable by virtue of the relevant Contract and/or the Employment Regulations and/or the Acquired Rights Directive; and
- 2.3.7 any claim made by or in respect of a Transferring Supplier Employee or any appropriate employee representative (as defined in the Employment Regulations) of any Transferring Supplier Employee relating to any act or omission of the Supplier or any Subcontractor in relation to its obligations under regulation 13 of the Employment Regulations, except to the extent that the liability arises from the failure by the Buyer and/or Replacement Supplier to comply with regulation 13(4) of the Employment Regulations.
- 2.4 The indemnities in Paragraph 2.3 shall not apply to the extent that the Employee Liabilities arise or are attributable to an act or omission of the Replacement Supplier and/or any Replacement Subcontractor whether occurring or having its origin before, on or after the Service Transfer Date including any Employee Liabilities:
 - 2.4.1 arising out of the resignation of any Transferring Supplier Employee before the Service Transfer Date on account of substantial detrimental changes to his/her working conditions proposed by the Replacement Supplier and/or any Replacement Subcontractor to occur in the period on or after the Service Transfer Date); or
 - 2.4.2 arising from the Replacement Supplier's failure, and/or Replacement Subcontractor's failure, to comply with its obligations under the Employment Regulations.
- 2.5 If any person who is not identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Employee List claims, or it is determined in relation to any employees of the Supplier, that his/her contract of employment has been transferred from the Supplier to the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Subcontractor pursuant to the Employment Regulations or the Acquired Rights Directive, then:
 - 2.5.1 the Buyer shall procure that the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Subcontractor will, within 5 Working Days of

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becoming aware of that fact, notify the Buyer and the Supplier in writing; and

- 2.5.2 the Supplier may offer (or may procure that a Subcontractor may offer) employment to such person, or take such other reasonable steps as it considered appropriate to deal the matter provided always that such steps are in compliance with Law, within15 Working Days of receipt of notice from the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Subcontractor.
- 2.6 If such offer of is accepted, or if the situation has otherwise been resolved by the Supplier or a Subcontractor, Buyer shall procure that the Replacement Supplier shall, or procure that the and/or Replacement Subcontractor shall, immediately release or procure the release the person from his/her employment or alleged employment;
- 2.7 If after the 15 Working Day period specified in Paragraph 2.5.2 has elapsed:
 - 2.7.1 no such offer has been made:
 - 2.7.2 such offer has been made but not accepted; or
 - 2.7.3 the situation has not otherwise been resolved
- the Buyer shall advise the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Subcontractor (as appropriate) that it may within 5 Working Days give notice to terminate the employment or alleged employment of such person;
- 2.8 Subject to the Replacement Supplier's and/or Replacement Subcontractor acting in accordance with the provisions of Paragraphs 2.5 to 2.7 and in accordance with all applicable proper employment procedures set out in applicable Law and subject to Paragraph 2.9 below, the Supplier will indemnify the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Subcontractor against all Employee Liabilities arising out of the termination of the employment of any of the Supplier's employees pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 2.7 provided that the Replacement Supplier takes, or shall procure that the Replacement Subcontractor takes, all reasonable steps to minimise any such Employee Liabilities.
- 2.9 The indemnity in Paragraph 2.8:
 - 2.9.1 shall not apply to:
 - (a) any claim for:
 - (i) discrimination, including on the grounds of sex, race, disability, age, gender reassignment, marriage or civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity or sexual orientation, religion or belief; or
 - (ii) equal pay or compensation for less favourable treatment of part-time workers or fixed-term employees,

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- In any case in relation to any alleged act or omission of the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Subcontractor, or
- (b) any claim that the termination of employment was unfair because the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Subcontractor neglected to follow a fair dismissal procedure; and
- 2.9.2 shall apply only where the notification referred to in Paragraph 2.5.1 is made by the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Subcontractor to the Supplier within 6 months of the Service Transfer Date..
- 2.10 If any such person as is described in Paragraph 2.5 is neither re-employed by the Supplier or any Subcontractor nor dismissed by the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Subcontractor within the time scales set out in Paragraphs 2.5 to 2.7, such person shall be treated as a Transferring Supplier Employee.
- 2.11 The Supplier shall comply, and shall procure that each Subcontractor shall comply, with all its obligations under the Employment Regulations and shall perform and discharge, and shall procure that each Subcontractor shall perform and discharge, all its obligations in respect of any person identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List before and on the Service Transfer Date (including the payment of all remuneration, benefits, entitlements and outgoings, all wages, accrued but untaken holiday pay, bonuses, commissions, payments of PAYE, national insurance contributions and pension contributions and such sums due as a result of any Fair Deal Employees' participation in the Schemes and any requirement to set up a broadly comparable pension scheme which in any case are attributable in whole or in part in respect of the period up to (and including) the Service Transfer Date) and any necessary apportionments in respect of any periodic payments shall be made between:
 - (b) the Supplier and/or any Subcontractor; and
 - (c) the Replacement Supplier and/or the Replacement Subcontractor.
- 2.12 The Supplier shall, and shall procure that each Subcontractor shall, promptly provide the Buyer and any Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Subcontractor, in writing such information as is necessary to enable the Buyer, the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Subcontractor to carry out their respective duties under regulation 13 of the Employment Regulations. The Buyer shall procure that the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Subcontractor, shall promptly provide to the Supplier and each Subcontractor in writing such information as is necessary to enable the Supplier and each Subcontractor to carry out their respective duties under regulation 13 of the Employment Regulations.
- 2.13 Subject to Paragraph 2.14, the Buyer shall procure that the Replacement Supplier indemnifies the Supplier on its own behalf and on behalf of any

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Replacement Subcontractor and its Subcontractors against any Employee Liabilities arising from or as a result of:

- 2.13.1 any act or omission of the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Subcontractor in respect of any Transferring Supplier Employee in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List or any appropriate employee representative (as defined in the Employment Regulations) of any such Transferring Supplier Employee;
- 2.13.2 the breach or non-observance by the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Subcontractor on or after the Service Transfer Date of:
 - (a) any collective agreement applicable to the Transferring Supplier Employees identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List; and/or
 - (b) any custom or practice in respect of any Transferring Supplier Employees identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List which the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Subcontractor is contractually bound to honour;
- 2.13.3 any claim by any trade union or other body or person representing any Transferring Supplier Employees identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List arising from or connected with any failure by the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Subcontractor to comply with any legal obligation to such trade union, body or person arising on or after the Service Transfer Date:
- 2.13.4 any proposal by the Replacement Supplier and/or Replacement Subcontractor to change the terms and conditions of employment or working conditions of any Transferring Supplier Employees identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List on or after their transfer to the Replacement Supplier or Replacement Subcontractor (as the case may be) on the Service Transfer Date, or to change the terms and conditions of employment or working conditions of any person identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List who would have been a Transferring Supplier Employee but for their resignation (or decision to treat their employment as terminated under regulation 4(9) of the Employment Regulations) before the Service Transfer Date as a result of or for a reason connected to such proposed changes;
- 2.13.5 any statement communicated to or action undertaken by the Replacement Supplier or Replacement Subcontractor to, or in respect of, any Transferring Supplier Employee identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List on or before the Service Transfer Date regarding the Relevant Transfer which has not been agreed in advance with the Supplier in writing;

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- 2.13.6 any proceeding, claim or demand by HMRC or other statutory authority in respect of any financial obligation including, but not limited to, PAYE and primary and secondary national insurance contributions:
 - in relation to any Transferring Supplier Employee identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List, to the extent that the proceeding, claim or demand by HMRC or other statutory authority relates to financial obligations arising after the Service Transfer Date; and
 - in relation to any employee who is not a Transferring (b) Supplier Employee identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List, and in respect of whom it is later alleged or determined that the Employment Regulations applied so as to transfer his/her employment from the Supplier or Subcontractor, to the Replacement Supplier Replacement or Subcontractor to the extent that the proceeding, claim or demand by HMRC or other statutory authority relates to financial obligations arising after the Service Transfer Date:
- 2.13.7 a failure of the Replacement Supplier or Replacement Subcontractor to discharge or procure the discharge of all wages, salaries and all other benefits and all PAYE tax deductions and national insurance contributions relating to the Transferring Supplier Employees identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List in respect of the period from (and including) the Service Transfer Date; and
- 2.13.8 any claim made by or in respect of a Transferring Supplier Employee identified in the Supplier's Final Supplier Personnel List or any appropriate employee representative (as defined in the Employment Regulations) of any such Transferring Supplier Employee relating to any act or omission of the Replacement Supplier or Replacement Subcontractor in relation to obligations under regulation 13 of the Employment Regulations.
- 2.14 The indemnities in Paragraph 2.13 shall not apply to the extent that the Employee Liabilities arise or are attributable to an act or omission of the Supplier and/or any Subcontractor (as applicable) whether occurring or having its origin before, on or after the Service Transfer Date, including any Employee Liabilities arising from the failure by the Supplier and/or any Subcontractor (as applicable) to comply with its obligations under the Employment Regulations.

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Order Schedule 3 (Continuous Improvement)

1. Buyer's Rights

1.1 The Buyer and the Supplier recognise that, where specified in DPS Schedule 4 (DPS Management), the Buyer may give CCS the right to enforce the Buyer's rights under this Schedule.

2. Supplier's Obligations

- 2.1 The Supplier must, throughout the Contract Period, identify new or potential improvements to the provision of the Deliverables with a view to reducing the Buyer's costs (including the Charges) and/or improving the quality and efficiency of the Deliverables and their supply to the Buyer.
- 2.2 The Supplier must adopt a policy of continuous improvement in relation to the Deliverables, which must include regular reviews with the Buyer of the Deliverables and the way it provides them, with a view to reducing the Buyer's costs (including the Charges) and/or improving the quality and efficiency of the Deliverables. The Supplier and the Buyer must provide each other with any information relevant to meeting this objective.
- 2.3 In addition to Paragraph 2.1, the Supplier shall produce at the start of each Contract Year a plan for improving the provision of Deliverables and/or reducing the Charges (without adversely affecting the performance of this Contract) during that Contract Year ("Continuous Improvement Plan") for the Buyer's Approval. The Continuous Improvement Plan must include, as a minimum, proposals:
 - 2.3.1 identifying the emergence of relevant new and evolving technologies;
 - 2.3.2 changes in business processes of the Supplier or the Buyer and ways of working that would provide cost savings and/or enhanced benefits to the Buyer (such as methods of interaction, supply chain efficiencies, reduction in energy consumption and methods of sale);
 - 2.3.3 new or potential improvements to the provision of the Deliverables including the quality, responsiveness, procedures, benchmarking methods, likely performance mechanisms and customer support services in relation to the Deliverables; and
 - 2.3.4 measuring and reducing the sustainability impacts of the Supplier's operations and supply-chains relating to the Deliverables, and identifying opportunities to assist the Buyer in meeting their sustainability objectives.
- 2.4 The initial Continuous Improvement Plan for the first (1st) Contract Year shall be submitted by the Supplier to the Buyer for Approval within one hundred (100) Working Days of the first Order or six (6) Months following the Start Date, whichever is earlier.
- 2.5 The Buyer shall notify the Supplier of its Approval or rejection of the proposed Continuous Improvement Plan or any updates to it within twenty (20) Working Days of receipt. If it is rejected then the Supplier shall, within ten (10) Working Days of receipt of notice of rejection, submit a revised Continuous Improvement Plan reflecting the changes required. Once Approved, it becomes the Continuous Improvement Plan for the purposes of this Contract.

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- 2.6 The Supplier must provide sufficient information with each suggested improvement to enable a decision on whether to implement it. The Supplier shall provide any further information as requested.
- 2.7 If the Buyer wishes to incorporate any improvement into this Contract, it must request a Variation in accordance with the Variation Procedure and the Supplier must implement such Variation at no additional cost to the Buyer or CCS.
- 2.8 Once the first Continuous Improvement Plan has been Approved in accordance with Paragraph 2.5:
 - 2.8.1 the Supplier shall use all reasonable endeavours to implement any agreed deliverables in accordance with the Continuous Improvement Plan; and
 - 2.8.2 the Parties agree to meet as soon as reasonably possible following the start of each quarter (or as otherwise agreed between the Parties) to review the Supplier's progress against the Continuous Improvement Plan.
- 2.9 The Supplier shall update the Continuous Improvement Plan as and when required but at least once every Contract Year (after the first (1st) Contract Year) in accordance with the procedure and timescales set out in Paragraph 2.3.
- 2.10 All costs relating to the compilation or updating of the Continuous Improvement Plan and the costs arising from any improvement made pursuant to it and the costs of implementing any improvement, shall have no effect on and are included in the Charges.
- 2.11 Should the Supplier's costs in providing the Deliverables to the Buyer be reduced as a result of any changes implemented, all of the cost savings shall be passed on to the Buyer by way of a consequential and immediate reduction in the Charges for the Deliverables.
- 2.12 At any time during the Contract Period of the Order Contract, the Supplier may make a proposal for gainshare. If the Buyer deems gainshare to be applicable then the Supplier shall update the Continuous Improvement Plan so as to include details of the way in which the proposal shall be implemented in accordance with an agreed gainshare ratio.

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Order Schedule 5 (Pricing Details)

- 1. The Charges for the Services shall be as set out in this Order Schedule 5.2.
- 2. The contract charges are as seen in the AW5.2 Price Schedule below; £899,806.50 Excluding VAT.

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Order Schedule 7 (Key Supplier Staff)

- 1.1 The Annex 1 to this Schedule lists the key roles ("**Key Roles**") and names of the persons who the Supplier shall appoint to fill those Key Roles at the Start Date.
- 1.2 The Supplier shall ensure that the Key Staff fulfil the Key Roles at all times during the Contract Period.
- 1.3 The Buyer may identify any further roles as being Key Roles and, following agreement to the same by the Supplier, the relevant person selected to fill those Key Roles shall be included on the list of Key Staff.
- 1.4 The Supplier shall not and shall procure that any Subcontractor shall not remove or replace any Key Staff unless:
 - 1.4.1 requested to do so by the Buyer or the Buyer Approves such removal or replacement (not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed);
 - 1.4.2 the person concerned resigns, retires or dies or is on maternity or long-term sick leave; or
 - 1.4.3 the person's employment or contractual arrangement with the Supplier or Subcontractor is terminated for material breach of contract by the employee.

1.5 The Supplier shall:

- 1.5.1 notify the Buyer promptly of the absence of any Key Staff (other than for short-term sickness or holidays of two (2) weeks or less, in which case the Supplier shall ensure appropriate temporary cover for that Key Role);
- 1.5.2 ensure that any Key Role is not vacant for any longer than ten (10) Working Days;
- 1.5.3 give as much notice as is reasonably practicable of its intention to remove or replace any member of Key Staff and, except in the cases of death, unexpected ill health or a material breach of the Key Staff's employment contract, this will mean at least three (3) Months' notice;
- 1.5.4 ensure that all arrangements for planned changes in Key Staff provide adequate periods during which incoming and outgoing staff work together to transfer responsibilities and ensure that such change does not have an adverse impact on the provision of the Deliverables; and
- 1.5.5 ensure that any replacement for a Key Role has a level of qualifications and experience appropriate to the relevant Key Role and is fully competent to carry out the tasks assigned to the Key Staff whom he or she has replaced.
- 1.6 The Buyer may require the Supplier to remove or procure that any Subcontractor shall remove any Key Staff that the Buyer considers in any respect unsatisfactory. The Buyer shall not be liable for the cost of replacing any Key Staff.

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Annex 1- Key Roles

Key Role	Key Staff	Contract Details

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Order Schedule 8 (Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery)

1. Definitions

1.1 In this Schedule, the following words shall have the following meanings and they shall supplement Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions):

"BCDR Plan" has the meaning given to it in Paragraph

2.2 of this Schedule;

"Business Continuity has the meaning given to it in Paragraph

Plan" 2.3.2 of this Schedule;

"Disaster Recovery the Deliverables embodied in the processes and procedures for restoring the provision of

and procedures for restoring the provision of Deliverables following the occurrence of a

Disaster;

"Disaster Recovery Plan" has the meaning given to it in Paragraph

2.3.3 of this Schedule;

"Disaster Recovery

System"

the system embodied in the processes and procedures for restoring the provision of Deliverables following the occurrence of a

Disaster;

"Related Supplier" any person who provides Deliverables to

the Buyer which are related to the Deliverables from time to time;

"Review Report" has the meaning given to it in Paragraph

6.2 of this Schedule; and

"Supplier's Proposals" has the meaning given to it in Paragraph

6.3 of this Schedule:

2. BCDR Plan

2.1 The Buyer and the Supplier recognise that, where specified in DPS Schedule 4 (DPS Management), CCS shall have the right to enforce the Buyer's rights under this Schedule.

2.2 At least ninety (90) Working Days after the Start Date the Supplier shall prepare and deliver to the Buyer for the Buyer's written approval a plan (a "BCDR Plan"), which shall detail the processes and arrangements that the Supplier shall follow to:

2.2.1 ensure continuity of the business processes and operations supported by the Services following any failure or disruption of any element of the Deliverables; and

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- 2.2.2 the recovery of the Deliverables in the event of a Disaster
- 2.3 The BCDR Plan shall be divided into three sections:
 - 2.3.1 Section 1 which shall set out general principles applicable to the BCDR Plan;
 - 2.3.2 Section 2 which shall relate to business continuity (the **"Business Continuity Plan"**); and
 - 2.3.3 Section 3 which shall relate to disaster recovery (the "Disaster Recovery Plan").
- 2.4 Following receipt of the draft BCDR Plan from the Supplier, the Parties shall use reasonable endeavours to agree the contents of the BCDR Plan. If the Parties are unable to agree the contents of the BCDR Plan within twenty (20) Working Days of its submission, then such Dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.

3. General Principles of the BCDR Plan (Section 1)

- 3.1 Section 1 of the BCDR Plan shall:
 - 3.1.1 set out how the business continuity and disaster recovery elements of the BCDR Plan link to each other;
 - 3.1.2 provide details of how the invocation of any element of the BCDR Plan may impact upon the provision of the Deliverables and any goods and/or services provided to the Buyer by a Related Supplier;
 - 3.1.3 contain an obligation upon the Supplier to liaise with the Buyer and any Related Suppliers with respect to business continuity and disaster recovery;
 - 3.1.4 detail how the BCDR Plan interoperates with any overarching disaster recovery or business continuity plan of the Buyer and any of its other Related Supplier in each case as notified to the Supplier by the Buyer from time to time;
 - 3.1.5 contain a communication strategy including details of an incident and problem management service and advice and help desk facility which can be accessed via multiple channels;
 - 3.1.6 contain a risk analysis, including:
 - (a) failure or disruption scenarios and assessments of likely frequency of occurrence;
 - identification of any single points of failure within the provision of Deliverables and processes for managing those risks;
 - (c) identification of risks arising from the interaction of the provision of Deliverables with the goods and/or services provided by a Related Supplier; and
 - (d) a business impact analysis of different anticipated failures or disruptions;

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- 3.1.7 provide for documentation of processes, including business processes, and procedures;
- 3.1.8 set out key contact details for the Supplier (and any Subcontractors) and for the Buyer;
- 3.1.9 identify the procedures for reverting to "normal service";
- 3.1.10 set out method(s) of recovering or updating data collected (or which ought to have been collected) during a failure or disruption to minimise data loss:
- 3.1.11 identify the responsibilities (if any) that the Buyer has agreed it will assume in the event of the invocation of the BCDR Plan; and
- 3.1.12 provide for the provision of technical assistance to key contacts at the Buyer as required by the Buyer to inform decisions in support of the Buyer's business continuity plans.
- 3.2 The BCDR Plan shall be designed so as to ensure that:
 - 3.2.1 the Deliverables are provided in accordance with this Contract at all times during and after the invocation of the BCDR Plan;
 - 3.2.2 the adverse impact of any Disaster is minimised as far as reasonably possible;
 - 3.2.3 it complies with the relevant provisions of ISO/IEC 27002; ISO22301/ISO22313 and all other industry standards from time to time in force; and
 - 3.2.4 it details a process for the management of disaster recovery testing.
- 3.3 The BCDR Plan shall be upgradeable and sufficiently flexible to support any changes to the Deliverables and the business operations supported by the provision of Deliverables.
- 3.4 The Supplier shall not be entitled to any relief from its obligations under the Performance Indicators (Pl's) or Service Levels, or to any increase in the Charges to the extent that a Disaster occurs as a consequence of any breach by the Supplier of this Contract.

4. Business Continuity (Section 2)

- 4.1 The Business Continuity Plan shall set out the arrangements that are to be invoked to ensure that the business processes facilitated by the provision of Deliverables remain supported and to ensure continuity of the business operations supported by the Services including:
 - 4.1.1 the alternative processes, options and responsibilities that may be adopted in the event of a failure in or disruption to the provision of Deliverables; and
 - 4.1.2 the steps to be taken by the Supplier upon resumption of the provision of Deliverables in order to address the effect of the failure or disruption.

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- 4.2 The Business Continuity Plan shall:
 - 4.2.1 address the various possible levels of failures of or disruptions to the provision of Deliverables;
 - 4.2.2 set out the goods and/or services to be provided and the steps to be taken to remedy the different levels of failures of and disruption to the Deliverables:
 - 4.2.3 specify any applicable Performance Indicators with respect to the provision of the Business Continuity Services and details of any agreed relaxation to the Performance Indicators or Service Levels in respect of the provision of other Deliverables during any period of invocation of the Business Continuity Plan; and
 - 4.2.4 set out the circumstances in which the Business Continuity Plan is invoked.

5. Disaster Recovery (Section 3)

- 5.1 The Disaster Recovery Plan (which shall be invoked only upon the occurrence of a Disaster) shall be designed to ensure that upon the occurrence of a Disaster the Supplier ensures continuity of the business operations of the Buyer supported by the Services following any Disaster or during any period of service failure or disruption with, as far as reasonably possible, minimal adverse impact.
- 5.2 The Supplier's BCDR Plan shall include an approach to business continuity and disaster recovery that addresses the following:
 - 5.2.1 loss of access to the Buyer Premises;
 - 5.2.2 loss of utilities to the Buyer Premises;
 - 5.2.3 loss of the Supplier's helpdesk or CAFM system;
 - 5.2.4 loss of a Subcontractor;
 - 5.2.5 emergency notification and escalation process;
 - 5.2.6 contact lists;
 - 5.2.7 staff training and awareness;
 - 5.2.8 BCDR Plan testing;
 - 5.2.9 post implementation review process;
 - 5.2.10 any applicable Performance Indicators with respect to the provision of the disaster recovery services and details of any agreed relaxation to the Performance Indicators or Service Levels in respect of the provision of other Deliverables during any period of invocation of the Disaster Recovery Plan;
 - 5.2.11 details of how the Supplier shall ensure compliance with security standards ensuring that compliance is maintained for any period during which the Disaster Recovery Plan is invoked;

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- 5.2.12 access controls to any disaster recovery sites used by the Supplier in relation to its obligations pursuant to this Schedule; and
- 5.2.13 testing and management arrangements.

6. Review and changing the BCDR Plan

- 6.1 The Supplier shall review the BCDR Plan:
 - 6.1.1 on a regular basis and as a minimum once every six (6) Months;
 - 6.1.2 within three (3) calendar Months of the BCDR Plan (or any part) having been invoked pursuant to Paragraph 7; and
 - 6.1.3 where the Buyer requests in writing any additional reviews (over and above those provided for in Paragraphs 6.1.1 and 6.1.2 of this Schedule) whereupon the Supplier shall conduct such reviews in accordance with the Buyer's written requirements. Prior to starting its review, the Supplier shall provide an accurate written estimate of the total costs payable by the Buyer for the Buyer's approval. The costs of both Parties of any such additional reviews shall be met by the Buyer except that the Supplier shall not be entitled to charge the Buyer for any costs that it may incur above any estimate without the Buyer's prior written approval.
- 6.2 Each review of the BCDR Plan pursuant to Paragraph 6.1 shall assess its suitability having regard to any change to the Deliverables or any underlying business processes and operations facilitated by or supported by the Services which have taken place since the later of the original approval of the BCDR Plan or the last review of the BCDR Plan, and shall also have regard to any occurrence of any event since that date (or the likelihood of any such event taking place in the foreseeable future) which may increase the likelihood of the need to invoke the BCDR Plan. The review shall be completed by the Supplier within such period as the Buyer shall reasonably require.
- 6.3 The Supplier shall, within twenty (20) Working Days of the conclusion of each such review of the BCDR Plan, provide to the Buyer a report (a "Review Report") setting out the Supplier's proposals (the "Supplier's Proposals") for addressing any changes in the risk profile and its proposals for amendments to the BCDR Plan.
- 6.4 Following receipt of the Review Report and the Supplier's Proposals, the Parties shall use reasonable endeavours to agree the Review Report and the Supplier's Proposals. If the Parties are unable to agree Review Report and the Supplier's Proposals within twenty (20) Working Days of its submission, then such Dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.
- 6.5 The Supplier shall as soon as is reasonably practicable after receiving the approval of the Supplier's Proposals effect any change in its practices or procedures necessary so as to give effect to the Supplier's Proposals. Any such change shall be at the Supplier's expense unless it can be reasonably

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shown that the changes are required because of a material change to the risk profile of the Deliverables.

7. Testing the BCDR Plan

- 7.1 The Supplier shall test the BCDR Plan:
 - 7.1.1 regularly and in any event not less than once in every Contract Year;
 - 7.1.2 in the event of any major reconfiguration of the Deliverables
 - 7.1.3 at any time where the Buyer considers it necessary (acting in its sole discretion).
- 7.2 If the Buyer requires an additional test of the BCDR Plan, it shall give the Supplier written notice and the Supplier shall conduct the test in accordance with the Buyer's requirements and the relevant provisions of the BCDR Plan. The Supplier's costs of the additional test shall be borne by the Buyer unless the BCDR Plan fails the additional test in which case the Supplier's costs of that failed test shall be borne by the Supplier.
- 7.3 The Supplier shall undertake and manage testing of the BCDR Plan in full consultation with and under the supervision of the Buyer and shall liaise with the Buyer in respect of the planning, performance, and review, of each test, and shall comply with the reasonable requirements of the Buyer.
- 7.4 The Supplier shall ensure that any use by it or any Subcontractor of "live" data in such testing is first approved with the Buyer. Copies of live test data used in any such testing shall be (if so required by the Buyer) destroyed or returned to the Buyer on completion of the test.
- 7.5 The Supplier shall, within twenty (20) Working Days of the conclusion of each test, provide to the Buyer a report setting out:
 - 7.5.1 the outcome of the test;
 - 7.5.2 any failures in the BCDR Plan (including the BCDR Plan's procedures) revealed by the test; and
 - 7.5.3 the Supplier's proposals for remedying any such failures.
- 7.6 Following each test, the Supplier shall take all measures requested by the Buyer to remedy any failures in the BCDR Plan and such remedial activity and re-testing shall be completed by the Supplier, at its own cost, by the date reasonably required by the Buyer.

8. Invoking the BCDR Plan

8.1 In the event of a complete loss of service or in the event of a Disaster, the Supplier shall immediately invoke the BCDR Plan (and shall inform the Buyer promptly of such invocation). In all other instances the Supplier shall invoke or test the BCDR Plan only with the prior consent of the Buyer.

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9. Circumstances beyond your control

9.1 The Supplier shall not be entitled to relief under Clause 20 (Circumstances beyond your control) if it would not have been impacted by the Force Majeure Event had it not failed to comply with its obligations under this Schedule.

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Part A: Short Form Security Requirements

1. Definitions

1.1 In this Schedule, the following words shall have the following meanings and they shall supplement Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions):

"Breach of Security"

the occurrence of:

- a) any unauthorised access to or use of the Deliverables, the Sites and/or any Information and Communication Technology ("ICT"), information or data (including the Confidential Information and the Government Data) used by the Buyer and/or the Supplier in connection with this Contract; and/or
- the loss and/or unauthorised disclosure of any information or data (including the Confidential Information and the Government Data), including any copies of such information or data, used by the Buyer and/or the Supplier in connection with this Contract,

in either case as more particularly set out in the Security Policy where the Buyer has required compliance therewith in accordance with paragraph 2.2;

"Security Management Plan"

the Supplier's security management plan prepared pursuant to this Schedule, a draft of which has been provided by the Supplier to the Buyer and as updated from time to time:

2. Complying with security requirements and updates to them

- 2.1 The Buyer and the Supplier recognise that, where specified in DPS Schedule 4 (DPS Management), CCS shall have the right to enforce the Buyer's rights under this Schedule.
- 2.2 The Supplier shall comply with the requirements in this Schedule in respect of the Security Management Plan. Where specified by a Buyer that has undertaken a Further Competition it shall also comply with the Security Policy and shall ensure that the Security Management Plan produced by the Supplier fully complies with the Security Policy.
- 2.3 Where the Security Policy applies the Buyer shall notify the Supplier of any changes or proposed changes to the Security Policy.
- 2.4 If the Supplier believes that a change or proposed change to the Security Policy will have a material and unavoidable cost implication to the provision of the Deliverables it may propose a Variation to the Buyer. In doing so, the Supplier must support its request by providing evidence of the cause of any increased costs

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- and the steps that it has taken to mitigate those costs. Any change to the Charges shall be subject to the Variation Procedure.
- 2.5 Until and/or unless a change to the Charges is agreed by the Buyer pursuant to the Variation Procedure the Supplier shall continue to provide the Deliverables in accordance with its existing obligations.

3. Security Standards

- 3.1 The Supplier acknowledges that the Buyer places great emphasis on the reliability of the performance of the Deliverables, confidentiality, integrity and availability of information and consequently on security.
- 3.2 The Supplier shall be responsible for the effective performance of its security obligations and shall at all times provide a level of security which:
 - 3.2.1 is in accordance with the Law and this Contract:
 - 3.2.2 as a minimum demonstrates Good Industry Practice;
 - 3.2.3 meets any specific security threats of immediate relevance to the Deliverables and/or the Government Data; and
 - 3.2.4 where specified by the Buyer in accordance with paragraph 2.2 complies with the Security Policy and the ICT Policy.
- 3.3 The references to standards, guidance and policies contained or set out in Paragraph 3.2 shall be deemed to be references to such items as developed and updated and to any successor to or replacement for such standards, guidance and policies, as notified to the Supplier from time to time.
- 3.4 In the event of any inconsistency in the provisions of the above standards, guidance and policies, the Supplier should notify the Buyer's Representative of such inconsistency immediately upon becoming aware of the same, and the Buyer's Representative shall, as soon as practicable, advise the Supplier which provision the Supplier shall be required to comply with.

4. Security Management Plan

4.1 Introduction

4.1.1 The Supplier shall develop and maintain a Security Management Plan in accordance with this Schedule. The Supplier shall thereafter comply with its obligations set out in the Security Management Plan.

4.2 Content of the Security Management Plan

- 4.2.1 The Security Management Plan shall:
 - (a) comply with the principles of security set out in Paragraph 3 and any other provisions of this Contract relevant to security;
 - (b) identify the necessary delegated organisational roles for those responsible for ensuring it is complied with by the Supplier;
 - (c) detail the process for managing any security risks from Subcontractors and third parties authorised by the Buyer with access to the Deliverables, processes associated with the provision of the Deliverables, the Buyer Premises, the Sites and any ICT, Information and data (including the Buyer's Confidential Information and the

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- Government Data) and any system that could directly or indirectly have an impact on that Information, data and/or the Deliverables;
- (d) be developed to protect all aspects of the Deliverables and all processes associated with the provision of the Deliverables, including the Buyer Premises, the Sites, and any ICT, Information and data (including the Buyer's Confidential Information and the Government Data) to the extent used by the Buyer or the Supplier in connection with this Contract or in connection with any system that could directly or indirectly have an impact on that Information, data and/or the Deliverables:
- (e) set out the security measures to be implemented and maintained by the Supplier in relation to all aspects of the Deliverables and all processes associated with the provision of the Goods and/or Services and shall at all times comply with and specify security measures and procedures which are sufficient to ensure that the Deliverables comply with the provisions of this Contract;
- (f) set out the plans for transitioning all security arrangements and responsibilities for the Supplier to meet the full obligations of the security requirements set out in this Contract and, where necessary in accordance with paragraph 2.2 the Security Policy; and
- (g) be written in plain English in language which is readily comprehensible to the staff of the Supplier and the Buyer engaged in the provision of the Deliverables and shall only reference documents which are in the possession of the Parties or whose location is otherwise specified in this Schedule.

4.3 Development of the Security Management Plan

- 4.3.1 Within twenty (20) Working Days after the Start Date and in accordance with Paragraph 4.4, the Supplier shall prepare and deliver to the Buyer for Approval a fully complete and up to date Security Management Plan which will be based on the draft Security Management Plan.
- 4.3.2 If the Security Management Plan submitted to the Buyer in accordance with Paragraph 4.3.1, or any subsequent revision to it in accordance with Paragraph 4.4, is Approved it will be adopted immediately and will replace the previous version of the Security Management Plan and thereafter operated and maintained in accordance with this Schedule. If the Security Management Plan is not Approved, the Supplier shall amend it within ten (10) Working Days of a notice of non-approval from the Buyer and re-submit to the Buyer for Approval. The Parties will use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that the approval process takes as little time as possible and in any event no longer than fifteen (15) Working Days from the date of its first submission to the Buyer. If the Buyer does not approve the Security Management Plan following its resubmission, the matter will be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.
- 4.3.3 The Buyer shall not unreasonably withhold or delay its decision to Approve or not the Security Management Plan pursuant to Paragraph 4.3.2. However a refusal by the Buyer to Approve the Security Management Plan on the grounds that it does not comply with the requirements set out in Paragraph 4.2 shall be deemed to be reasonable.
- 4.3.4 Approval by the Buyer of the Security Management Plan pursuant to Paragraph 4.3.2 or of any change to the Security Management Plan in

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accordance with Paragraph 4.4 shall not relieve the Supplier of its obligations under this Schedule.

4.4 Amendment of the Security Management Plan

- 4.4.1 The Security Management Plan shall be fully reviewed and updated by the Supplier at least annually to reflect:
 - (a) emerging changes in Good Industry Practice;
 - (b) any change or proposed change to the Deliverables and/or associated processes;
 - (c) where necessary in accordance with paragraph 2.2, any change to the Security Policy;
 - (d) any new perceived or changed security threats; and
 - (e) any reasonable change in requirements requested by the Buyer.
- 4.4.2 The Supplier shall provide the Buyer with the results of such reviews as soon as reasonably practicable after their completion and amendment of the Security Management Plan at no additional cost to the Buyer. The results of the review shall include, without limitation:
 - (a) suggested improvements to the effectiveness of the Security Management Plan;
 - (b) updates to the risk assessments; and
 - (c) suggested improvements in measuring the effectiveness of controls.
- 4.4.3 Subject to Paragraph 4.4.4, any change or amendment which the Supplier proposes to make to the Security Management Plan (as a result of a review carried out in accordance with Paragraph 4.4.1, a request by the Buyer or otherwise) shall be subject to the Variation Procedure.
- 4.4.4 The Buyer may, acting reasonably, Approve and require changes or amendments to the Security Management Plan to be implemented on timescales faster than set out in the Variation Procedure but, without prejudice to their effectiveness, all such changes and amendments shall thereafter be subject to the Variation Procedure for the purposes of formalising and documenting the relevant change or amendment.

5. Security breach

- 5.1 Either Party shall notify the other in accordance with the agreed security incident management process (as detailed in the Security Management Plan) upon becoming aware of any Breach of Security or any potential or attempted Breach of Security.
- 5.2 Without prejudice to the security incident management process, upon becoming aware of any of the circumstances referred to in Paragraph 5.1, the Supplier shall:
 - 5.2.1 immediately take all reasonable steps (which shall include any action or changes reasonably required by the Buyer) necessary to:
 - (a) minimise the extent of actual or potential harm caused by any Breach of Security;
 - (b) remedy such Breach of Security to the extent possible and protect the integrity of the Buyer and the provision of the

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- Goods and/or Services to the extent within its control against any such Breach of Security or attempted Breach of Security;
- (c) prevent an equivalent breach in the future exploiting the same cause failure; and
- (d) as soon as reasonably practicable provide to the Buyer, where the Buyer so requests, full details (using the reporting mechanism defined by the Security Management Plan) of the Breach of Security or attempted Breach of Security, including a cause analysis where required by the Buyer.
- 5.3 In the event that any action is taken in response to a Breach of Security or potential or attempted Breach of Security that demonstrates non-compliance of the Security Management Plan with the Security Policy (where relevant in accordance with paragraph 2.2) or the requirements of this Schedule, then any required change to the Security Management Plan shall be at no cost to the Buyer.

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Order Schedule 14 (Service Levels)

1. Definitions

1.1 In this Schedule, the following words shall have the following meanings and they shall supplement Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions):

"Critical Service Level Failure"	has the meaning given to it in the Order Form;
"Service Credits"	any service credits specified in the Annex to Part A of this Schedule being payable by the Supplier to the Buyer in respect of any failure by the Supplier to meet one or more Service Levels;
"Service Credit Cap"	has the meaning given to it in the Order Form;
"Service Level Failure"	means a failure to meet the Service Level Performance Measure in respect of a Service Level;
"Service Level Performance Measure"	shall be as set out against the relevant Service Level in the Annex to Part A of this Schedule; and
"Service Level Threshold"	shall be as set out against the relevant Service Level in the Annex to Part A of this Schedule.

2. What happens if you don't meet the Service Levels

- 2.1 The Supplier shall at all times provide the Deliverables to meet or exceed the Service Level Performance Measure for each Service Level.
- 2.2 The Supplier acknowledges that any Service Level Failure shall entitle the Buyer to the rights set out in Part A of this Schedule including the right to any Service Credits and that any Service Credit is a price adjustment and not an estimate of the Loss that may be suffered by the Buyer as a result of the Supplier's failure to meet any Service Level Performance Measure.
- 2.3 The Supplier shall send Performance Monitoring Reports to the Buyer detailing the level of service which was achieved in accordance with the provisions of Part B (Performance Monitoring) of this Schedule.
- 2.4 A Service Credit shall be the Buyer's exclusive financial remedy for a Service Level Failure except where:
 - the Supplier has over the previous (twelve) 12 Month period exceeded the Service Credit Cap; and/or
 - 2.4.2 the Service Level Failure:
 - (a) exceeds the relevant Service Level Threshold;

- (b) has arisen due to a Prohibited Act or wilful Default by the Supplier;
- results in the corruption or loss of any Government Data; and/or
- results in the Buyer being required to make a compensation payment to one or more third parties; and/or
- the Buyer is otherwise entitled to or does terminate this Contract pursuant to Clause 10.4 (CCS and Buyer Termination Rights).
- 2.5 Not more than once in each Contract Year, the Buyer may, on giving the Supplier at least three (3) Months' notice, change the weighting of Service Level Performance Measure in respect of one or more Service Levels and the Supplier shall not be entitled to object to, or increase the Charges as a result of such changes, provided that:
 - 2.5.1 the total number of Service Levels for which the weighting is to be changed does not exceed the number applicable as at the Start Date;
 - 2.5.2 the principal purpose of the change is to reflect changes in the Buyer's business requirements and/or priorities or to reflect changing industry standards; and
 - 2.5.3 there is no change to the Service Credit Cap.

3. Critical Service Level Failure

On the occurrence of a Critical Service Level Failure:

- 3.1 any Service Credits that would otherwise have accrued during the relevant Service Period shall not accrue; and
- 3.2 the Buyer shall (subject to the Service Credit Cap) be entitled to withhold and retain as compensation a sum equal to any Charges which would otherwise have been due to the Supplier in respect of that Service Period ("Compensation for Critical Service Level Failure"),

provided that the operation of this paragraph 3 shall be without prejudice to the right of the Buyer to terminate this Contract and/or to claim damages from the Supplier for material Default.

Part A: Service Levels and Service Credits

1. Service Levels

If the level of performance of the Supplier:

- 1.1 is likely to or fails to meet any Service Level Performance Measure; or
- 1.2 is likely to cause or causes a Critical Service Failure to occur,

the Supplier shall immediately notify the Buyer in writing and the Buyer, in its absolute discretion and without limiting any other of its rights, may:

- 1.2.1 require the Supplier to immediately take all remedial action that is reasonable to mitigate the impact on the Buyer and to rectify or prevent a Service Level Failure or Critical Service Level Failure from taking place or recurring;
- 1.2.2 instruct the Supplier to comply with the Rectification Plan Process;
- 1.2.3 if a Service Level Failure has occurred, deduct the applicable Service Level Credits payable by the Supplier to the Buyer; and/or
- 1.2.4 if a Critical Service Level Failure has occurred, exercise its right to Compensation for Critical Service Level Failure (including the right to terminate for material Default).

2. Service Credits

- 2.1 The Buyer shall use the Performance Monitoring Reports supplied by the Supplier to verify the calculation and accuracy of the Service Credits, if any, applicable to each Service Period.
- 2.2 Service Credits are a reduction of the amounts payable in respect of the Deliverables and do not include VAT. The Supplier shall set-off the value of any Service Credits against the appropriate invoice in accordance with calculation formula in the Annex to Part A of this Schedule.

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Annex A to Part A: Services Levels and Service Credits Table

Service Levels				
Service Level Performance Criterion	Key Indicator	Service Level Performance Measure	Service Level Threshold	
Accurate and timely invoicing of the Buyer	Accuracy and timeliness	At least 95% at all times	Invoices received by the last working day of the month, fully accurate to the amount of work completed.	
Cost accuracy of outputs	Accuracy	At least 90% at all times	Final cost of outputs within 10% deviation of initial estimate (subject to scope assumptions).	
Timeliness of output delivery	Timeliness	At least 80% at all times	Outputs delivered within 3 working days of initial deadline. Any delays must be communicated at least 10 days in advance of the initial deadline.	
Quality of outputs (Did it meet the objective, outputs and deliverables?)	Quality of outputs (Did it meet the objective, outputs and deliverables?)	At least 100% at all times	The Buyer and Supplier will agree the acceptance criteria if required for any specific deliverables prior to the work commencing.	

Part B: Performance Monitoring

3. Performance Monitoring and Performance Review

- 3.1 Within twenty (20) Working Days of the Start Date the Supplier shall provide the Buyer with details of how the process in respect of the monitoring and reporting of Service Levels will operate between the Parties and the Parties will endeavour to agree such process as soon as reasonably possible.
- 3.2 The Supplier shall provide the Buyer with performance monitoring reports ("Performance Monitoring Reports") in accordance with the process and timescales agreed pursuant to paragraph 1.1 of Part B of this Schedule which shall contain, as a minimum, the following information in respect of the relevant Service Period just ended:
 - 3.2.1 for each Service Level, the actual performance achieved over the Service Level for the relevant Service Period;
 - 3.2.2 a summary of all failures to achieve Service Levels that occurred during that Service Period;
 - 3.2.3 details of any Critical Service Level Failures;
 - 3.2.4 for any repeat failures, actions taken to resolve the underlying cause and prevent recurrence;
 - 3.2.5 the Service Credits to be applied in respect of the relevant period indicating the failures and Service Levels to which the Service Credits relate; and
 - 3.2.6 such other details as the Buyer may reasonably require from time to time.
- 3.3 The Parties shall attend meetings to discuss Performance Monitoring Reports ("Performance Review Meetings") on a Monthly basis. The Performance Review Meetings will be the forum for the review by the Supplier and the Buyer of the Performance Monitoring Reports. The Performance Review Meetings shall:
 - take place within one (1) week of the Performance Monitoring Reports being issued by the Supplier at such location and time (within normal business hours) as the Buyer shall reasonably require;
 - 3.3.2 be attended by the Supplier's Representative and the Buyer's Representative; and
 - 3.3.3 be fully minuted by the Supplier and the minutes will be circulated by the Supplier to all attendees at the relevant meeting and also to the Buyer's Representative and any other recipients agreed at the relevant meeting.
- 3.4 The minutes of the preceding Month's Performance Review Meeting will be agreed and signed by both the Supplier's Representative and the Buyer's Representative at each meeting.

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3.5 The Supplier shall provide to the Buyer such documentation as the Buyer may reasonably require in order to verify the level of the performance by the Supplier and the calculations of the amount of Service Credits for any specified Service Period.

4. Satisfaction Surveys

4.1 The Buyer may undertake satisfaction surveys in respect of the Supplier's provision of the Deliverables. The Buyer shall be entitled to notify the Supplier of any aspects of their performance of the provision of the Deliverables which the responses to the Satisfaction Surveys reasonably suggest are not in accordance with this Contract.

Order Schedule 20 (Order Specification)

This Schedule sets out the characteristics of the Deliverables that the Supplier will be required to make to the Buyers under this Order Contract.

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1. Summary

The Department for Science, innovation and Technology (DSIT) is commissioning an independent evaluation of whether and how the intended long-term outcomes and impacts of the Newton Fund have been achieved.

The Newton Fund aims to promote the economic development and welfare of partner countries through strengthening their science and innovation capacity. This objective is facilitated through the development of equitable partnerships with middle-income countries, advancing multidisciplinary research based on agreed national strategies and nurturing talent and careers with capacity development. The Newton Fund is managed and funded by DSIT, from the UK's Official Development Assistance (ODA), and it is delivered through UK Partner Organisations (POs) in collaboration with in-country funding partners. Since the Newton Fund opened in 2014, bilateral partnerships with 18 ODA eligible countries have been established, with 16 still in place in 2021. The Newton Fund has a total UK budget of £735 million over a seven-year programme cycle (April 2014 to March 2021). No new programme activities have been funded since 2021 and all Research and Innovation (R&I) activities under the Newton Fund will be delivered now in full by 2025/26. Covid-19 and other challenges have created extensions to several programmes.

DSIT commissioned an independent external evaluation of the Newton Fund in 2015, which was sequenced in four phases, with the fourth phase completed in 2021. This invitation to tender is for a fifth and final stage of the Newton Fund evaluations, which is referred to in this specification as 'Phase 5: Impact Evaluation'.

Bidders are invited to submit applications which should outline their proposed evaluation methodologies and demonstrate how these are suitable for generating robust evidence of whether and how the longer-term outcomes, impacts and value for money (VfM) of the Newton Fund have been achieved, and how any lessons in maximising these could be applied to future funds.

The Phase 5 evaluation will include three stages: the scoping stage, the main stage and the learning stage. The following evaluation outputs are required:

- A scoping report at the end of the scoping stage. A full and detailed plan for the main stage evaluation is expected to be included within the scoping report.
- Interim evaluation report, to be delivered by the end of November 2024. The interim report will set out initial findings on the outcomes, impact and VfM work undertaken in the main stage.
- Final evaluation report, expected by the end of March 2025. The final report will
 provide a complete synthesis of the findings on the outcomes, impact and VfM
 modules of the main stage.
- A series of learning papers, expected in 2024/25, setting out the key lessons learnt on how to achieve ODA R&I outcomes, impact and VfM, as well as developing a series of forward-looking recommendations.

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2. Background

2.1 Introduction to the Newton Fund

Funded by DSIT, from the UK's Official Development Assistance (ODA), the Newton Fund has a total UK budget of £735 million over a seven-year programme cycle (April 2014 to March 2021). No new programme activities have been funded since 2021 and all Research and Innovation (R&I) activities under the Newton Fund will be delivered by 2025/26.

The Fund aims to strengthen research and innovation capacity to deliver socio-economic development impact by building sustainable relationships between the UK and Partner Countries. By placing emphasis on partnerships as a model of co-funded bilateral technical assistance, the Fund enables UK researchers to collaborate with researchers from Partner Countries to work on the most pressing development challenges.

The Newton Fund delivers three broad categories ("pillars") of activity to partner countries:

- **People** –improving capacity building in science and innovation, individually and institutionally, through:
 - o PhD partnerships
 - Researcher Mobility schemes
 - Fellowships for post-doctoral researchers
 - Linking Higher Education institutions
 - o STEM education support
 - o Technical Training
- Research research collaborations on development topics
 - Collaborative research grants
 - Support for longer-term institutional links
- **Translation**—creating collaborative solutions to development challenges and strengthening innovation systems:
 - o Creating business-academia collaborations
 - Creating business-business links between entrepreneurs and SMEs
 - Research and innovation bridges
 - Training policy professionals for implementation of innovation-friendly policy
 - Translating climate science to climate services

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2.2 The goal of the Newton Fund

The primary objective of the Newton Fund is to support the economic development and social welfare of either the partner countries or, through working with the partner country, to address development challenges around the world. It seeks to do so through developing equitable partnerships with middle-income countries, advancing multidisciplinary research based on agreed national strategies and nurturing talent and careers with capacity development. An expected secondary benefit is to secure benefits to the UK, which is to be achieved by presenting further research opportunities for the UK science base, improving the skills and activity of UK innovators and researchers, and unlocking opportunities for trade.

The Newton Fund **People** pillar activities specifically build human capital, supporting graduates and early-career researchers. Through spill-over into business and government, increases in human capital should help local businesses target, develop and adapt poverty-reducing innovations to local contexts, and create cohorts of research-and methods-literate experts working with decision makers to ultimately create a wider culture of evidence-use in policy and practice.

The innovations of the future that reduce poverty and increase welfare must be based on locally contextualised research. The Newton Fund **Research** pillar invests in collaborations between UK-based and local researchers, to understand countries' specific development problems and their needs, and to identify possible answers. It can enable research that is not yet necessarily attractive to private funders. Additionally, research capacity is also directly targeted by the Newton Fund: collaborations with UK groups will facilitate local researchers' access to funding by providing them with a proven research record, and the 'People' pillar aims to augment local human capital, as outlined above.

The Newton Fund **Translation** pillar encourages local and international links within and between academia and business, to enable sustainable implementation of solutions to local causes and consequences of poverty. Moreover, this pillar supports sustainable local economic growth; it should raise the absorptive capacity for research and technology of local business and industry by positively influencing their ability to take up, adapt and finally commercialise research findings. This pillar also supports innovation training for government officials and innovation trainers in country to help support the true embedding of an innovative culture.

In order for the Newton Fund to be able to demonstrate its desired impacts it needs to build sustainable relationships that can last beyond the life of the Fund, and lead to a systemic improvement in science and innovation capacity in partner countries. The Newton Fund will therefore need to enable an on-going dialogue between the UK and partner countries at all levels of the science and innovation diaspora, supporting all stages of academic careers to raise technical and scientific knowledge and skills in partner countries. It also needs to support on-going collaborations with the UK at individual, organisational, policy and business levels, which will lead to improved capacity for both the commercialisation of research and the creation of innovative environments. This two-way relationship is supported by Newton Fund teams within each country, who engage with local government and funders and act as liaisons between all stakeholders. Newton Fund

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activities have been developed in partnership with in-country stakeholders; this will ensure that local developmental and capacity building needs are met.

2.3 Geographical areas

Since the Fund opened in 2014, bilateral partnerships with 18 ODA eligible countries have been established, with 16 still in place in 2021. Countries selected to enter partnerships are all (or were at the time of selection) on the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development's Development Assistance Committee (OECD-DAC) list of ODA-eligible countries.

Table 1. Newton Fund Partner Countries



*These figures derive from the Newton Fund Activity Tracker, capturing actual spend up to and including financial year 2020/21 and the tracker is subject to final adjustments.

2.4 Newton Fund Delivery, management and oversight

The Fund is managed by DSIT and delivered through UK Partner Organisations (POs) in collaboration with in-country funding partners. POs were selected by DSIT through a competitive process to implement programmes that are aligned to the objectives of the Fund. The UK and in-country POs co-design and co-fund programmes, co-deliver calls and select projects to fund (typically through competitive, peer-reviewed selection processes). This means that specific programmes are designed, and projects selected by the specialist research and innovation bodies in the UK and in Partner Countries, while DSIT retains a coordinating role in order to set overarching priority areas and build on the activity of POs at a portfolio level (including through DSIT staff based in-country). There are seven UK POs representing a wide range of research and innovation institutions - UK

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Research and Innovation (UKRI); Academy of Medical Sciences; Royal Society; Royal Academy of Engineering; British Academy; British Council and the Met Office.

Three Boards were put in place as governance structures for both the Newton Fund and the Global Challenges Research Fund (GCRF). DSIT's ODA Research and Innovation Board has been responsible for the Newton Fund's policy level strategic direction, coherence, holding POs to account and overseeing evaluation plans. Chaired by the Minister for Science, Research and Innovation, its purpose has been to provide advice to the Minister on policy direction. The Portfolio and Operations Management Board has supported the ODA Research and Innovation Board providing Fund level management oversight, decision-making and coordinating cross-government engagement. A Technical Expert Advisory Group (TEAG) was re-established in mid-2020 to provide evaluation guidance and strategic advice. These Boards are currently in the process of being wound down. A new governance structure will shortly be put in place and will apply to all Newton Fund-related queries going forward.

The strategic direction of the Fund is managed by the Global Research and Innovation Team (GRI), within DSIT's International Research and Innovation Directorate. Fund management, delivery, monitoring and evaluation are managed across several teams. The ODA Research and Innovation Team in DSIT oversees policy, strategy and analysis. The ODA Research Management Team (RMT) and Programme Management Office (PMO) which are hosted by UKRI oversee operational Fund management. ODA RMT has Fund level responsibility for financial oversight, compliance, impact tracking and analysis of how the Fund is implemented and managed by POs. The ODA Analysis team within DSIT leads central monitoring, evaluation and learning.

GRI's Regional Leads are responsible for bilateral partnerships (including with Newton Fund Partner Countries). They coordinate and support Newton Fund In-Country Teams (ICTs) who work with POs to establish connections and ensure support from local delivery and funding partners. ICTs perform a variety of roles depending on the context of the host country; the extent of pre-existing innovation infrastructure networks and relationships; the existing presence of Delivery Partners in-country; and the nature of the team put in place (some being based within Embassies, others led by Delivery Partners). Their role is described as a 'bridge' between DSIT, the UK POs and Newton Fund Partner Countries and can include negotiating partnerships but also identifying possible opportunities and synergies. Similarly to the governance structure, the ICT role is being phased out in 2022-2023. For the new fund, their role will be picked up by the DSIT/FCDO Science Innovation Network directors.

2.5 The Newton Fund Evaluations

DSIT commissioned an independent external evaluation of the Newton Fund in 2015. The evaluation was sequenced in four phases:

- **Phase 1: Inception** (September October 2015) which established the overall scope and approach.
- Phase 2: Initial Analysis (November 2015 March 2016) which produced the Evaluation Strategy, Fund-level Theory of Change (ToC); fifteen (secondary source) Partner Country Baseline Studies and a review of monitoring systems.

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- Phase 3: Mid-term Evaluation (April 2017 July 2018) which included a mid-cycle Newton Fund evaluation and a process evaluation.
- Phase 4: Final Evaluation: (December 2019 June 21) which involved a re-design of the Evaluation Strategy; a re-design of the Fund ToC; seven primary data modules and the production of a final evaluation report.

A series of reports from the Newton Fund evaluation to date have been published (https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/newton-fund-final-evaluation-and-supporting-evidence). The full list of reports can be found in Appendix 2. Additional resources on Newton Fund are available at https://www.newton-gcrf.org/resources/.

The objective and purpose of the evaluation phases to date were: (1) to establish whether the goal of the Newton Fund was being achieved – to develop science and innovation partnerships that promote the economic development and welfare of Partner Countries and (2) to determine whether it was being delivered in a way that represents Value for Money (VfM).

This invitation to tender is for a fifth and final stage of the Newton Fund evaluation, which is referred to in this specification as 'Phase 5: Impact Evaluation'. While it is expected that the Phase 5 evaluation will build on findings and recommendations from the previous evaluation stages, no evaluation plan or approach for this impact stage of the evaluation has been detailed in the earlier phases. We expect the evaluation contractor to design an appropriate evaluation methodology for this phase.

The Theory of Change (ToC) for the Newton Fund is set along a 15-year timeline which starts in 2014 and ends in 2029. Further details regarding the logic model, as well as the ToC narrative can be found in Appendix 1. It should be noted that although the ToC timeline ends in 2029, the Phase 5 evaluation will be the last one and there will be no further Newton Fund evaluation activity taking place post 2025.

Phase 4 of the evaluation collected evidence of outcomes achieved up to late 2020, which is only 6-7 years along the ToC timeline. It was therefore able to evaluate whether interim outcomes were being achieved but could not evaluate the longer term outcomes and impacts expected to occur further along the ToC timeline.

We expect the Phase 5 impact evaluation outlined in this specification to generate evidence of the longer-term outcomes (years 7-10 in the ToC timeline) and provide some early evidence-led insights into whether the NF is on track for achieving its impacts (Year 10 onwards in the ToC timeline). When discussing outcomes and impacts in this ITT we refer to those mapped in the Newton Fund Theory of Change as well as any additional outcomes and impacts (i.e. additional to those specified in the ToC) that may be identified by the contractor in the course of the Phase 5 impact evaluation.

2.6 The current state-of-play for Newton Fund

The reduction in the Government's ODA commitment in 2020 resulted in a reduction in 2021-2022 in the DSIT ODA allocation to partners, which led to the decision in 2021 not to provide funding for new awards under the Newton Fund beyond that year. However, it should be noted that although no new awards have been made post 2021, there is still

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spend for some POs beyond the 2021/22 financial year. Table 2 in the Appendix offers a summary of the Newton Fund commencing and closing each year from 2014 to 2022.

Ending the funding for new awards under the Newton Fund in 2021 (while there is spend for some POs beyond 2021/22) has had implications for the Fund's strategy and ambitions for development impact at scale. Furthermore, implications extend to the operational level as well, including for example the reduced presence of the in-country teams and the limited new data reported beyond 2021. These challenges should be factored into the evaluation, and it is expected that bidders' response will reflect those, primarily when outlining their proposed evaluation approach and data collection methods.

3 Aims and Objectives

3.1 Scope of the impact evaluation

This project will evaluate longer term outcomes and impacts from the Newton Fund investment. The Phase 5 Impact evaluation will build on the findings and recommendations from previous phases of the Newton Fund evaluation to provide:

- 1. Evidence of longer-term outputs, outcomes and impacts achieved through the Newton Fund investment.
- 2. Improved knowledge of the value for money achieved by the Newton Fund, for accountability and learning purposes.
- 3. Learning from longer term operation of the Newton Fund, to inform management and implementation of current and any future R&I funds, particularly those including ODA funding.

3.2 Research questions

The Phase 5 Impact evaluation will include three stages: a scoping stage, a main stage and a learning stage. These are explained in more detail in the methodology section below. While a full evaluation plan, including a final list of research questions, will be the outcome of the initial scoping stage, we envisage a focus on the research questions outlined below. Bidders are invited to comment on these questions, propose new ones, or discard some, but should provide an explanation for their suggestions.

- 1. Has the Newton Fund achieved the longer-term outcomes set out in the Newton Fund Theory of Change?
- 2. Have any primary (i.e., for development) and secondary (i.e. for UK) longer term outcomes been achieved that are additional to those set out in the Theory of Change?
- 3a. Is the Newton Fund on track and likely to achieve the intended impacts, as set out in the Theory of Change?
- 3b. To what extent has the Newton Fund contributed to the R&I systems in the UK and in Partner Countries, and how has it worked with other R&I Funding streams (including the Global Challenges Research Fund)?

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- 4. To what extent can any long-term outcomes or impacts be attributed to any of the distinct features of the Newton Fund model (for example: government-level partnerships, equitable partnerships¹, match funding², in-country presence) or to the ways that the Newton Fund has been managed and delivered?
- 5. Have any factors adversely affected the potential of the Newton Fund to achieve the longer-term outcomes and impacts intended?
- 6. Has the Newton Fund demonstrated value for money using the VfM methodology developed by DSIT for ODA programmes? Has this changed over time?
- 7. What are the key learning points from this programme and what is their relevance to different stakeholders?
- 8. What are the most efficient and effective ways of sharing these lessons for impact and how should they be applied to other R&I programmes (including the new International Science Partnerships Programmes (ISPF) managed by DSIT)?

3.3 What decisions/processes will the work inform?

A new international R&I fund has been developed which will replace existing ODA and non-ODA funding with a single fund focused on international R&I collaborations on research themes with a prioritised set of countries in support of both the UK's diplomatic aims and commitment to the economic development and welfare of Low-and Middle-Income Countries (LMICs). The new international R&I fund went live in March 2023 for the non-ODA funding stream, and in September 2023 for the ODA funding. The design of the new fund is drawing heavily on evidence and lessons identified in the previous phases of the Newton Fund evaluation. Since the early years of the new fund will coincide with this evaluation, it is expected that any evidence and lessons emerging from Phase 5 of the Newton Fund evaluation will be disseminated to inform the baseline monitoring and evaluation approach of the new fund.

Furthermore, the evidence of outcomes, impacts and VfM from this impact evaluation will ultimately contribute to:

- the growing body of evidence on ODA R&I, which is fed into by different Government Departments, including FCDO and DHSC.
- business cases for designing future International R&I and ODA R&I programmes
- future Spending Reviews

¹ An equitable partnership ensures fair opportunity, process, and sharing of benefits, costs, and outcomes of a project.

²UK investment is matched by investment and resources from partner countries. DSIT's' approach to matched effort is a pragmatic one, to enable partners to participate fully and equitably. Matched effort is tailored by partnership and can take the form of cash, in-kind (cost-related resource use such as staff time, workshop hosting or use of facilities), or a combination of both

> the wider academic literature on the role that R&I plays in achieving global development outcomes.

3.4 Evaluation management and governance

Day-to-day management of the evaluation will be the responsibility of DSIT ODA Analysis team. A named DSIT contact for contractors will be identified at the start of the project. Progress check in meetings between the contractor and DSIT ODA Analysis team will take place fortnightly in the scoping stage and then monthly during the main stage of the evaluation. These meetings will focus on summarising progress made in the various milestones of the project and forward look. It is expected that the contractor should provide a written update to DSIT 2 days before each progress check in meeting. Furthermore, it is anticipated that ad-hoc check-in meetings between the contractor and the DSIT ODA Analysis team will be arranged when there are urgent matters or issues of concern to be discussed.

Accountability for the evaluation lies with the Evaluation Contract Project Board. Membership of the Project Board includes DSIT's Senior Responsible Officer for the evaluation contract, policy and analysis leads, the contract managers and members of the DSIT ODA Analysis team. The Evaluation Contract Project Board meets quarterly to provide overarching governance for the R&I ODA evaluation contracts. The Board's responsibilities include agreeing any changes to the work programme, providing a vehicle for communication of findings and input into future work priorities.

An Evaluation Working Group (EWG) will be set up, which will include representatives from Partner Organisations. The EWG will be led by the contractor's core evaluation team and chaired by DSIT. The EWG will review, discuss and inform key steps in the evaluation, with the aim of ensuring it is co-developed with Partner Organisations.

In addition, the evaluation will draw upon a Technical Expert Advisory Group (TEAG). The TEAG will consist of a small number of independent evaluation experts and academics, including from ODA eligible countries, with expertise relevant to the Newton Fund impact evaluation, as well as internal (DSIT Central Analysis Team) and cross-government evaluation experts (i.e., Evaluation Task Force, FCDO Monitoring and Evaluation). The TEAG will be responsible for reviewing and agreeing the evaluation plan (output from the scoping stage), peer reviewing the evaluation outputs and commenting on draft reports.

4 Methodology

4.1 Overall approach

Bidders are invited to submit applications, which should outline their proposed evaluation methodologies and demonstrate how these are suitable for generating robust evidence of whether and how the longer-term outcomes, impacts and value for money of the Newton Fund have been achieved, and how any lessons in maximising these could be applied to future funds. Previous phases of the Newton Fund evaluation built an evidence base for further exploration, yet it should be noted that their evaluation purview explored earlier stages of the ToC timeline (i.e. up until interim outcomes). While bidders are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the methodologies of the previous evaluation phases, it is expected that their applications will focus on suggesting evaluation designs and methods

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suitable for assessing longer-term outcomes and impacts, taking into account the challenges associated with the scale, geographical spread and complexity of the Newton Fund.

Given that scoping undertaken in the previous evaluation phases suggested that there were no feasible counterfactual options, we envisage that bidders will propose mixed-method theory-based evaluation approaches, including an explanation of the rationale for their suitability. Further guidance on the variety of theory-based impact evaluation methods can be found in the Magenta Book. It is expected that any theory-based impact evaluation approach will be based on the Newton Fund ToC (Appendix 1).

When considering how to evaluate Value for Money (VfM), bidders should draw upon the DSIT rubric-based approach to assessing VfM (see Appendix 5). DSIT expect this rubric-based assessment to be used to contribute to the overall VfM assessment of the Newton Fund.

Bidders are also expected to consider in their applications how they will embed a learning and dissemination strategy in their evaluation approach, to ensure that lessons learnt, findings and recommendations about outcomes, impact and VfM can be distilled. While this is likely to be delivered in the form of learning briefs and associated workshops, bidders are encouraged to suggest – and cost for – alternative or additional outputs or tools for embedding learning.

The evaluation will include three stages:

4.2 Scoping stage

As set out in the previous section (4.1), bidders' responses are expected to set out the methodological approach proposed to address the evaluation questions set out in this specification. The scoping phase of the evaluation, which is expected to last 3-4 months, will then be used by the successful bidder to refine and add the required detail to the proposed evaluation methodology, including the data collection and analysis planned. The scoping work will be led by the contractor and co-developed with Newton Fund Partner Organisations and the DSIT ODA Analysis team. As a result of the scoping stage, contractors should prepare a full evaluation plan, which will include:

- Details of the methodologies proposed, including a full appraisal of: 1) their robustness, integrity and limitations, and 2) any sensitivities /ethical concerns and respective mitigating actions across the entire evaluation cycle;
- Details of the sampling approach for projects to be included in the Outcomes module, sampling for countries to be included in the Impact module, and the sampling approach for the VfM module (i.e., how substitutes will be selected for any of the original 57 VfM sample that are unable to participate in this evaluation phase);
- Details of the data collection methods proposed, including the nature, feasibility and quality of different types of data (qualitative/ quantitative) to be collected. It is

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envisaged that a large part of the data collection is likely to involve key informant (telephone/online) interviews;

- Details of the data analysis techniques proposed for the new data to be collected, as well as for the existing data that are routinely collected and centrally reported on the Newton Fund. A full list of the centrally held data can be found in the Appendix;
- Details on the topics to be covered in the learning briefings and workshops, as well as details and rationale for proposed approaches to disseminating knowledge;
- Details on how the suggested methodologies and the data will address the research questions, taking into account the Newton Fund ToC.

4.3 Main stage

We envisage the main stage will apply the proposed evaluation methodologies and data collection and analysis to the following:

• An Outcomes module, which will focus on exploring research questions 1, 2, 4 and 5 (as outlined in section 3.2). As outlined in section 4.1, bidders are expected to provide a detailed response in their application in terms of the proposed theory-based evaluation approach, as well as the suggested methods of data collection and analysis. Bidders should clearly consider the strengths and limitations of the above in light of the Newton Fund context.

While the final details regarding the methodology and the data collection and analysis process will be the outcome of the scoping stage, this module is likely to be tracking longer-term outcomes from a sample of Newton Fund projects. We envisage that the sample will cover:

- a. all Newton Fund countries;
- all project years with the greatest proportion from the early years to provide the greatest chance of capturing longer term outcomes (balancing this against the likelihood that the early years projects will be the most challenging to contact as project contacts will have moved on);
- c. all research pillars and with as wide a range of research topics as possible.

Table 2 in Appendix 4 provides an indication of how many projects were started and completed in each year of Newton Fund activity.

• An Impact module, which will focus on exploring research questions 3, 4 and 5 (as outlined in section 3.2). As outlined in section 4.1, bidders are expected to provide a detailed response in their application in terms of the proposed theory-based evaluation approach, as well as the suggested methods of data collection and analysis. Bidders should clearly consider the strengths and limitations of the above in light of the Newton Fund context.

While the final details regarding the methodology and the data collection and analysis process will be the outcome of the scoping stage, this module is likely to

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be tracing policy and development impacts in approximately 10 Newton Fund partner countries, building on the country-level case study methodology used in Phase 4 of the Newton Fund evaluation (published as the Newton Fund final evaluation).

 A VfM module, which will focus on exploring research question 6 (as outlined in section 3.2). When considering how to evaluate Value for Money (VfM), bidders should draw upon the DSIT rubric-based approach to assessing VfM (see Appendix 5). While the VfM sample will be specified in the scoping stage, it is intended that the original 57 VfM sample used in the previous evaluation phase will be revisited.

4.4 Learning stage

We envisage that the learning stage will run alongside the main stage and will focus on exploring research questions 7 and 8 (as outlined in section 3.2). We have opted to formalise learning as a standalone stage in the Impact Evaluation because of the opportunity to support the evidence base on ODA R&I with a set of tailored deliverables. These deliverables will distil key insights for DSIT, POs and other Government Departments working on ODA R&I.

We anticipate that the learning stage will produce a series of Learning Briefs and associated workshops which will be delivered during the main stage of this evaluation. The list of topics will be finalised in coordination with DSIT during the scoping stage, but these could be organised around each of the three modules of the main stage: outcomes, impact and VfM. It is likely that a final Learning Brief will be required to provide an overall assessment, drawing findings, lessons and recommendations for future funds. Bidders are encouraged to suggest – and cost for – alternative or additional outputs or tools for embedding learning.

4.5 Existing data

There is a wealth of available Newton Fund data and Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) being reported by POs and collected centrally by the DSIT ODA Analysis team. A full list can be found in Appendix 3. These will be made available to the contractor, and it is expected that these will be incorporated in the scoping stage to inform the sampling approach, as well as in the main stages as secondary data sources for the outcomes, impact and VfM modules.

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5 Outputs Required

The table below outlines the outputs expected to be delivered over the course of the project:

Output	Description	Date
Scoping stage report	This output will include a detailed	A first full draft will be
	evaluation plan (as per section 4.1).	expected by the end of March 2024 Final scoping report by April
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Interim report	This output will include initial findings and an assessment of whether there need to be adaptations to the project.	By the end of Nov 2024
Presentations of the interim report findings	Contractors will deliver presentations (in-person or hybrid) and a set of presentation slides to internal (DSIT) and external (research community) audiences. The presentations and the slide-pack will focus on initial findings and assessment of potential adaptations to the evaluation approach of the project. The total number of presentations is expected to be 3-5.	By the end of Nov 2024
Final report	This output is a synthesis of the findings from the three main stage modules.	By the end of March 2025
Annexes of the final report	This output includes methodological annexes of the final report.	By the end of March 2025
Presentations of final report findings	Contractors will deliver presentations (in-person or hybrid) and a set of presentation slides to internal (DSIT) and external (research community) audiences. The presentations and the slide-pack will focus on the final report findings and conclusions. The total number of presentations is expected to be 3-5.	By the end of March 2025
Learning papers (or any other alternative method suggested by the contractor and approved in the scoping stage)	1) Learning paper on how to achieve ODA R&I outcomes, by drawing on the key learnings from the outcomes module 2) Individual learning papers for each of the country-level impact studies under the impact module 3) A learning paper on the VfM module 4) Final learning brief, which will be a synthesis of all the above learning papers aiming at providing on overall assessment on how to achieve ODA	Dates in late 2024/early 2025 to be agreed.

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	R&I impact and forward-looking	
	recommendations.	
Progress check in meetings	Progress check in meetings between the contractor and DSIT will focus on summarising progress made in the various milestones of the project and forward look. It is expected that the contractor should provide a written update to DSIT 2 days before each progress check in meeting.	The frequency and the exact dates will be agreed with the contractor. It is likely that these meetings will take place fortnightly in the scoping stage and then monthly during the main stage.
Progress updates at governance Boards/ Groups	 Evaluation Contract Project Board: contractors are expected to provide written and/or a verbal update on the progress of the evaluation Technical Expert Advisory Group: as above 	Quarterly- exact dates to be confirmed
	3) Evaluation Working Group: the contractor is expected to chair these meetings and provide verbal and/or written updates to Partner Organisations with the purpose of informing and co- developing the next steps of the evaluation	 Frequency and dates to be confirmed- it is expected that the Group will convene when expert advice on evaluation methodologies and peer review of evaluation outputs are needed. During the scoping stage, it is expected that this Group will convene twice- exact dates to be confirmed. For the main stage of the evaluation, it is likely that the Group will convene on a quarterly basis.

6 Ownership and Publication

It is intended that outputs from this project will be published on gov.uk . It is essential that all outputs are quality assured, meet all GSR standards listed below and the guidance for publishing on gov.uk, including accessibility requirements:

- <u>How to publish on GOV.UK</u>, including the accessibility requirements DSIT style guidelines (a template available internally will be provided to the contractor)

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- The <u>Government Social Research Code</u>, in particular those that relate to GSR Products:
- UK Statistics Authority Code of Practice/ or an equivalent standard.
- <u>The Magenta Book</u>, Government guidance on policy evaluation and analysis, including the supplementary guidance (to the Magenta Book) on the Quality in Policy Impact Evaluations
- Quality in Qualitative Evaluation: A Framework for assessing research evidence, which provides a framework for appraising the quality of qualitative evaluations.
- <u>The Green Book</u>: appraisal and evaluation in central government

All Intellectual Property Rights in materials developed in respect of a project will be the intellectual property of DSIT. The supplier shall retain Intellectual Property Rights in any Supplier proprietary materials. The terms and conditions have been drafted accordingly.

7 Quality Assurance

Bidders must set out their approach to quality assurance in their proposal and their experience in applying this. In particular, they must demonstrate:

- that quality assurance will be done by individuals who were not directly involved in the research and analysis
- that quality assurance of all outputs and tools is conducted before it is submitted to DSIT
- that a named individual will be responsible for the quality assurance process, and ensuring it is complete to standard before outputs are submitted to DSIT

Oversight and sign-off of quality assurance must be the responsibility of someone with sufficient seniority in the contractor organisation. DSIT reserves the right to request further work or reject outputs that do not meet the required standard specified in this Invitation to Tender.

In relation to reporting, the contractor must meet the following criteria:

General:

- Research questions answered clearly, concisely and in plain English
- Clear structure so that information presented in each section of each report is organised in a manner that facilitates understanding
- Clear connections between sections
- Executive summaries of no more than two sides setting out findings clearly and their relevance to DSIT policies
- Clear introductions and conclusions for each section (for the findings sections, a concise upfront overview of the findings should be provided)
- Clearly explained methodology, so others could repeat the work in future.
- Thoroughly proof-read and peer reviewed for writing quality
- Avoidance of jargon with all terms defined and referenced clearly
- Acronyms written out in full the first time they are mentioned in each section of each report
- No grammatical or phrasing errors
- No typos / typographical errors present

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<u>Visualisations (more detailed guidance on best practice of presenting data can be found in the ONS guidance):</u>

- Labelling of all visualisations
- Labelling of axes including with appropriate units
- Clear and appropriate use of visualisations (readable and easy to understand)
- Clearly explained and discussed
- Varied, to provide interesting and innovative ways of presenting results

Where complex or innovative methods are proposed, bidders should specify how additional quality assurance will be provided. Where necessary, this should include the use of external experts.

Outputs will be subject to DSIT internal approvals; the more substantive the output the longer the approval time required. Both published and other reports will require three rounds of comments, which should be factored into the timelines. DSIT may wish to appoint an external peer reviewer to provide a high-level peer review.

The successful bidder will be responsible for any work supplied by sub-contractors.

DSIT reserves the right to request an audit of work against the DSIT Code of Practice for Research and the commitments made in the tender documents and subsequent contract.

For primary research, contractors should be willing to facilitate DSIT research staff to attend interviews or listen in to telephone surveys as part of the quality assurance process.

8 Timetable

Supplier event	October 2023
Publication of ITT	November 2023
Deadline for submission	Start of December 2023
Contract Start date	January 2024
Contract end date	End of March 2025

It should be noted that a small extension (i.e., 2-3 months) of the contract end date can be granted as long as the following conditions are met:

1) the extension relates to wrap-up activities of core evaluation work already undertaken and 2) there are no cost-related implications from the extension.

9 Challenges

Overall, the project involves a high level of complexity given the Newton Fund's scale, geographical spread and variety of programmes. Furthermore, ending the funding cycle of the Newton Fund in 2021 has had various strategic and operational implications, as outlined in section 2.6.

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The contractor is expected to work effectively and closely with POs to access relevant information and interviewees, as well as to ensure that sampling frames are co-designed with the DSIT ODA team and POs in a robust and timely manner.

Bidders should consider the above risks in their responses and should clearly indicate their mitigating actions as part of the proposed evaluation approach and the skills and experiences of the evaluation team.

10 Ethics

All bidders will need to identify and propose arrangements for initial scrutiny and on-going monitoring of ethical issues. The appropriate handling of ethical issues is part of the tender assessment exercise and proposals will be evaluated on this as part of the 'approach' criterion. Bidders are expected to outline in their applications how their proposed methodologies account for robustness, integrity and elimination of potential biases, as well as how they will plan to reduce barriers to participation and ensure that that the research process is transparent and disseminated to different stakeholder groups.

We expect contractors to adhere to the following GSR Principles:

- 1. Sound application and conduct of social research methods and appropriate dissemination and utilisation of findings
- 2. Participation based on valid consent
- 3. Enabling participation
- 4. Avoidance of personal harm
- 5. Non-disclosure of identity and personal information

It is expected that in the scoping stage the contractor will identify and capture the ethical considerations and respective mitigating actions. These will be reviewed at regular intervals over the course of the evaluation to ensure that they are addressed, as well as to capture and mitigate against any potentially new sensitivities. The Newton Fund projects took place in 17 partner countries, where English is not the first language. The contractor will be expected to make provision for conducting interviews in a range of languages, to ensure that potential interviewees are not excluded from the research process. The contractor will also be expected to arrange for translation into English of any key documents provided by the research participants, if required.

11 Data Protection

The Contractor will be compliant with the Data Protection Legislation, as defined in the terms and conditions applying to this Invitation to Tender. A guide to The General Data Protection Regulation published by the Information Commissioner's Office can be found here.

Further instructions with respect to processing will be incorporated into the contract terms.

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12 Data Sharing

Accessing Data and Sample Frames, and Data Security

Data is not held by DSIT. Suppliers will need to work effectively and closely with Partner Organisations to access information, data and personal contact details. This includes satisfying data security and GDPR requirements in the handling, transfer, collection and storage of data, and the preparation and management of associated data sharing agreements. DSIT will require:

- Access to anonymised data for quality assurance purposes. This includes access
 to samples of qualitative data (e.g., interview transcripts). Any data shared in this
 way should be anonymised and non-disclosive.
- Access to all quantitative datasets collected by the contactor, to enable DSIT to conduct any further or additional analysis of the primary quantitative data. This also includes contact details for survey/interview respondents, where they have provided their consent for this. We may seek to share the latter with subsequent suppliers for follow-on evaluations.

Bidders should present a considered approach to how they will deliver this, including setting out the steps they will take to ensure data security and GDPR requirements are satisfied, and the impact on timings.

The DSIT ODA Analysis team will provide extracts from existing data (as listed in Appendix 3) to the contractor, which are expected to be used for the purposes of this evaluation (e.g., to inform the sampling approach in the scoping stage, to be used for secondary data analysis in the main stage). We expect the evaluation contractor to enter into a Confidentiality Agreement with DSIT, in line with legal frameworks, which will allow DSIT to share potentially disclosive information with the contractor for the purposes of this evaluation.

13 Working Arrangements

Bidders are expected to provide a clear approach of how they will work effectively with the project/contract manager and other stakeholders in DSIT, as well as with POs during the three stages of the evaluation.

The contractor will be expected to identify one named point of contract through whom all enquiries can be filtered. A DSIT project manager has been assigned to the project and will be the central point of contact.

The contractor will be expected to work closely with the DSIT policy and analytical teams, draw on DSIT' expert knowledge and align with on-going analytical projects to ensure appropriate research design and learning outputs.

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The project will start with an inception meeting with key policy and analytical teams in attendance. Further details regarding the expectations for engagement between the contractor and DSIT are outlined in sections 3.4 ('Evaluation management and governance') and section 5 ('Outputs required').

DSIT also expects that the contractor will establish suitable internal working arrangements and channels of communication. As the research will involve multiple work strands feeding into various research activities, it is important that people assigned to different tasks regularly communicate, feedback and understand what else is happening. It will be the responsibility of the bidder's project manager to ensure that this occurs.

Furthermore, given that this evaluation will occur in parallel with the evaluation of other ODA R&I funds (GCRF, New Fund to be launched in 2023), the contractor is expected to establish suitable channels of communication with other evaluation contractors, in order to minimise silos within the broader monitoring and evaluation approach of ODA R&I funds and to ensure that any common risks and challenges are approached holistically.

14 Skills and experience

DSIT would like bidders to demonstrate that you have the experience and capabilities to undertake the project. Your tender response should include a written summary of how the team meets the required experience and capabilities this should make reference to every main team member. A CV (max two pages) of the main team members should also be provided.

Contractors should propose named members of the project team, in an organogram and should detail the tasks and responsibilities of each team member. This should be clearly linked to the work programme, indicating the grade/ seniority of staff and number of days allocated to specific tasks.

Contractors should identify the individual(s) who will be responsible for managing the project (as well as identifying the individual who will be responsible for QA).

15 Consortium Bids

In the case of a consortium tender, only one submission covering all of the partners is required but consortia are advised to make clear the proposed role that each partner will play in performing the contract as per the requirements of the technical specification. We expect the bidder to indicate who in the consortium will be the lead contact for this project, and the organisation and governance associated with the consortia.

Contractors must provide details as to how they will manage any sub-contractors and what percentage of the tendered activity (in terms of monetary value) will be sub-contracted.

If a consortium is not proposing to form a corporate entity, full details of alternative proposed arrangements should be provided in the Annex. However, please note DSIT reserves the

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right to require a successful consortium to form a single legal entity in accordance with Regulation 28 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2006.

DSIT recognises that arrangements in relation to consortia may (within limits) be subject to future change. Potential Providers should therefore respond in the light of the arrangements as currently envisaged. Potential Providers are reminded that any future proposed change in relation to consortia must be notified to DSIT so that it can make a further assessment by applying the selection criteria to the new information provided.

16 Budget

The budget for this project is £1,000,000 excluding VAT.

Contractors should provide a full and detailed breakdown of costs (including options where appropriate). This should include staff (and day rate) allocated to specific tasks.

Cost will be a criterion against which bids which will be assessed.

Payments will be linked to delivery of key milestones, which are outlined in section 5. This can be adjusted and agreed with the contractor based on the tender response. Please advise in your tender response how this breakdown reflects your usual payment processes.

In submitting full tenders, contractors confirm in writing that the price offered will be held for a minimum of 60 calendar days from the date of submission. Any payment conditions applicable to the prime contractor must also be replicated with sub-contractors.

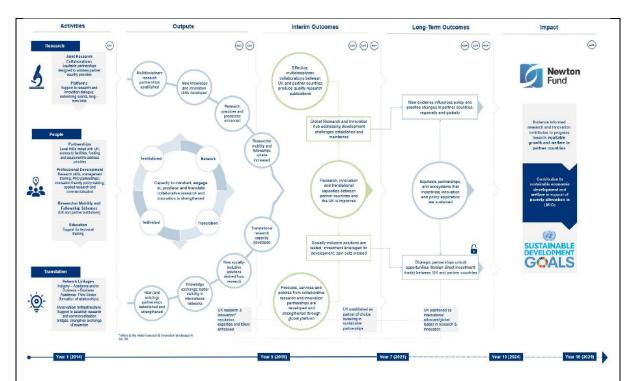
The Department aims to pay all correctly submitted invoices as soon as possible with a target of 10 days from the date of receipt and within 30 days at the latest in line with standard terms and conditions of contract.

17 Appendices

Appendix 1: The Newton Fund Theory of Change (ToC)

The figure below, which is included in the 'Phase 4' evaluation report (Figure 6- 'Newton Fund: Final Evaluation Report), presents the logic model of the ToC for the Newton Fund. It is a Fund-level ToC- meaning that it does not represent the detail of the various partnerships, awards, or country-level strategies of the Newton Fund. A detailed narrative, explaining the stages of logic from activity to impact and associated results hierarchy, can be found in the 'Phase 4' evaluation report (Annex 4- 'Newton Fund: final evaluation report annexes').

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Appendix 2: Newton Fund Evaluations

The full list of reports from the previous phases of the Newton Fund evaluation is as follows:

Key Evaluation Reports:

- Newton Fund mid-term evaluation report (December 2018)
- Newton Fund: final evaluation report (June 2021)
- Newton Fund: final evaluation report annexes (June 2021)

Other evaluation reports:

- Newton Fund Evaluation Case Study Brazil (June 2021)
- Newton Fund Evaluation Case Study Chile (June 2021)
- Newton Fund Evaluation Case Study China (June 2021)
- Newton Fund Evaluation Case Study India (June 2021)
- Newton Fund Evaluation Case Study Jordan (June 2021)
- Newton Fund Evaluation Case Study Kenya (June 2021)
- Newton Fund Evaluation Case Study Malaysia (June 2021)
- Newton Fund Evaluation Case Study Peru (June 2021)
- Newton Fund Evaluation Case Study Philippines (June 2021)
- Newton Fund Evaluation Case Study South Africa (June 2021)
- Newton Fund Evaluation Case Study Turkey (June 2021)
- Newton Fund Evaluation Research Quality (June 2021)
- Newton Fund Evaluation UK Benefits (June 2021)

Appendix 3: Existing Data

Data on the following is being collected centrally on Newton Fund:

- Delivery partner organisation
- RODA identifier
- Activity level
- Delivery partner identifier
- Original DSIT tracker identifier

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- IATI identifier
- Activity title
- Activity description
- · Aims or objectives
- Benefitting countries
- Benefitting region
- Recipient region
- Recipient country
- Intended beneficiaries
- Global Development Impact
- Activity status
- Call open date
- Call close date
- Total applications
- Total awards
- Planned start date
- Planned end date
- Actual start date
- Actual end date
- ODA eligibility
- ODA eligibility lead contact name
- Aid type
- Free standing technical cooperation
- Channel of delivery code
- Sector
- Collaboration type
- Flow
- Finance type
- Tied status
- Covid-19 related research
- Gender policy marker
- Climate Change Adaptation policy marker
- Climate Change Mitigation policy marker
- Biodiversity policy marker
- Desertification policy marker
- Disability policy marker
- Disaster Risk Reduction policy marker
- Nutrition policy marker
- Sustainable Development Goal 1
- SDGs
- Sustainable Development Goal 2
- Sustainable Development Goal 3
- Newton Fund Pillar
- Newton Fund Country Delivery Partners
- Activity contact name
- Implementing organisations
- Delivery partner organisation
- Change state
- Actual spend by quarters from Q1 2014-2015 to present
- Forecast by quarters up until FQ4 2025-2026

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The following KPIs are being reported on for Newton Fund:

- Number of Fellowships
- Number of instances of IP
- Spinouts
- Publications/Bibliometrics
- Total funding and number of organisations
- Number of partnerships and collaborations

A wide range of sources of evidence on Newton Fund will also be available to be considered during the scoping phase of the evaluation, including:

- programme records;
- ResearchFish and Partner Organisations' databases of all Newton Fund grants;
- REF impact data and case studies;
- publicly available data in international and national (LMIC) systems;
- · data and documents from partners;
- published papers (numbers unknown);
- grey literature.

Appendix 4: Newton Fund projects



Appendix 5: DSIT Value for Money Methodology

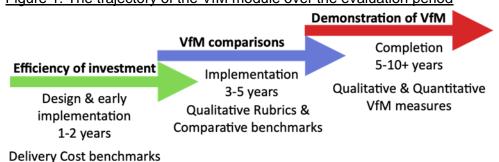
Background

The evaluation should make an assessment of the extent to which the Newton Fund represented a good use of public funds. It is challenging applying Value for Money (VfM) techniques to R&I programmes, with lengthy timescales and very varied contexts in which they are implemented. Simple measures of return on investment may be misleading in such circumstances – what may look like a relatively poor return on investment may represent good VfM when considering the client group engaged, local economic and social contexts or thematic/disciplinary area. Therefore, ensuring that, as far as possible, all awards are considered on a 'fair' and like-for-like basis is a primary objective of the design. As a result of learning through delivering the Newton Fund and Global Challenges Research Fund (GCRF), and following recommendations from ICAI and the NAO, DSIT has been further developing our approach to VfM to incorporate a rubric assessment of VfM during the delivery of the R&I funds.

When evaluating VfM, the evidence needed to make a robust assessment increases as investments develop, as outlined in Figure 1 below. Early stages are best for making

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judgements about the efficiency of inputs and processes, which are initially assessed by Partners as part of application processes. Partners have well-established processes for awarding grants. This Impact Evaluation stage will assemble further evidence of delivery and implementation, which enables assessments of whether there is evidence that the Fund has delivered relevant research positioned for impact and used resources effectively. Figure 1: The trajectory of the VfM module over the evaluation period

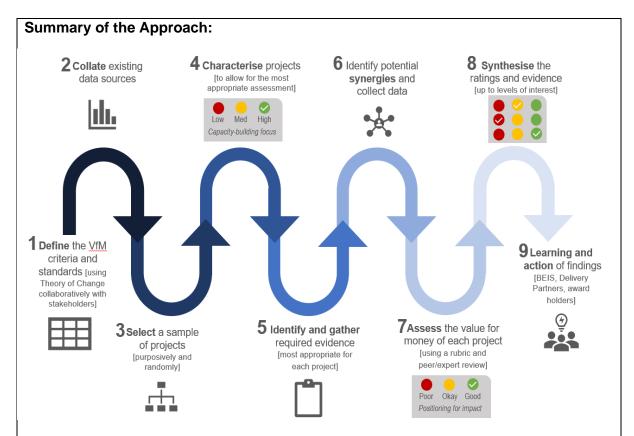


DSIT rubric-based approach to assessing VfM

In 2019/2020, DSIT alongside evaluation contractors Tetra Tech International, piloted a rubric-based VfM assessment on a sample of Newton Fund projects. Since then, this approach has evolved and is currently being used for the Global Challenges Research Fund (GCRF) evaluation. DSIT expect this rubric-based assessment to be used to contribute to the overall VfM assessment of the Newton Fund.

This approach draws on the International Development Research Centre's Research Quality Plus framework, and King and Oxford Policy Management's (OPM) Approach to Assessing Value for Money in International Development Programmes. The approach draws on the 4 'E's model of VfM assessment currently used in FCDO development projects and DSIT International Climate Finance. IDRC's RQ+ uses a rubric to assess the quality of different research projects for development. OPM's approach uses a rubric to assess the VfM of international development programmes, which has been used in dozens of programmes, including some funded by DFID. A selection of examples can be found at https://www.julianking.co.nz/vfi/resources/. DSIT consulted with the developers of OPM's approach to learn from their development and implementation process and challenges.

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Rationale for aggregating from the project up to the fund level

Where data and information is collected at the project level, aggregating from individual projects up to levels of interest (programme, country and fund etc.) is commonly used in research for development funds (IDRC, 2017). For example, the Canadian government's International Development Research Centre <u>details</u> their sampling and aggregation approach from the project to portfolio level in their assessment of research impact. Similarly, the <u>final evaluation</u> of the European Union Support to Research and Innovation for Development (2016), which assessed €1.1 billion of interventions, used a sampling and aggregation approach.

This is necessary because, as detailed in the background section, each research project within a fund like Newton is operating in a very complex environment with particular socioeconomic, political and cultural circumstances, with multiple actors, different mechanisms of change and impact, and many intangible benefits and impacts that cannot be simply quantified. This complex context fundamentally affects the VfM of each project. Therefore, it is not the case of a simple aggregation of some quantitative metrics for each project, as this would not account for this complexity (EIARD, 2003), nor would it allow for an assessment of VfM in the context of equitable partnerships etc.

It is very important that any VfM assessment does not unduly disadvantage important research and innovation projects taking place in difficult contexts by not accounting for it. We need a method that enables us to a) account for this complexity within each project and b) allows projects to be comparable in order to aggregate. A rubric allows for both of these in a transparent and fair way, as detailed below. It will also be important to allow for synergies across projects and programme areas, which is likely to require collected information about how the projects and programme areas work together (detailed under step 6). The aggregation from the project to fund level is detailed under step 8.

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Step 1: Define the VfM Rubric (Criteria and Standards) (and the levels at which it should be applied)

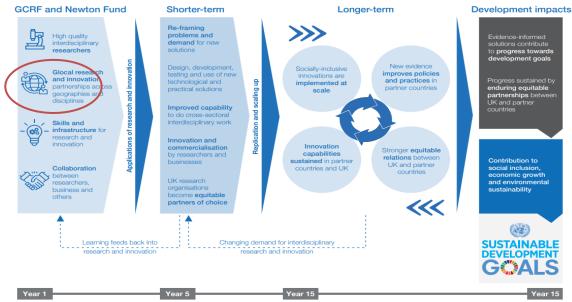
Assessing VfM involves an evaluative judgement (King 2019). Rubrics provide a clear and transparent method for making evaluative judgements (King, 2019; 2013; Martana 2018; October 2017). A rubric is assentially a tool that provides

Davidson, 2012; Martens, 2018; Oakden, 2017). A rubric is essentially a tool that provides an evaluative description of what performance or quality looks like at different, defined levels.

Rubrics tend to have a structure of criteria and standards:

Standards	Criteria 1	Criteria 2	Criteria 3
Excellent			
Good			
Adequate			
Poor			

The advantage of developing fund-specific criteria and standards is that we can include specific components of importance. While our rubric uses DFID's 4 Es, we can include other aspects, using our Theory of Change:



For example, many Newton Fund projects involve partnerships between UK and LMIC researchers and research institutions. Facilitating and strengthening equitable partnerships is critical to the funds and has implications for project-level VfM (for example, investing more in a data storage software that all partners can access etc.). Therefore, we can include equitable partnerships as a VfM criterion.

DSIT has developed the first draft of the rubric with Partners and engagement with the research community. While the rubric will need further iteration and development, the first draft is shown below. The successful bidder will work with GCRF Evaluation contractors to inform their work on iterating the VfM rubric.

Step 2: Collate existing data sources

It will be necessary to look at all the existing data being collected at the levels chosen for VfM assessment, which in some cases may require significant processing and sampling given the volume of data held, in order to be of practical use in VfM assessment.

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Step 3: Select a sample of projects

As the Newton Fund respectively contain thousands of projects, it would be too resource-intensive (and not value for money) to investigate the VfM of each project (the IDRC (2017) reached similar conclusions for their research portfolios). Therefore, a sample of projects will be selected.

Step 4: Characterise the projects into a typology



The following would be applied at the project-level. The Newton Fund contains many diverse projects with different aims, focuses, and characteristics. Characterising these projects serves three purposes:

- 1. It enables an appropriate understanding of the context in relation to VfM.
- 2. It enables the most appropriate application of the rubric to each project (IDRC, 2017). For example, equitable partnerships are a crucial part of many Newton Fund projects and should form part of the VfM rubric and assessment. However, fellowships are only awarded to one person. While equitable partnerships are still relevant to a fellowship (the way that person engages with others in their research etc.), it will not have the same level of focus as other awards. Therefore, characterising awards prior to assessment for their level of focus on aspects such as equitable partnerships, capacity strengthening etc. allows for a more appropriate and nuanced assessment.
- 3. When synthesising the evidence and assessment results at the programme, country or fund-level, characterisation of the research and innovation projects allows for a greater investigation and understanding of how these characteristics interface with VfM ratings. For example, projects with a high focus on capacitybuilding can be compared with projects with a low focus etc.

possible.

Step 5: Identify and gather required additional evidence

The sheer diversity of Newton Fund projects makes it difficult to collect very similar data. For example, the type of information that a fellowship in the Arts and Humanities will report is very different to a large-scale medical trial. The advantage of a rubric is that it allows different projects and data to be comparable through the same assessment process. Therefore, the most appropriate data for each research project selected for assessment can be identified. For most projects, this will involve synthesising existing data and collecting additional data where required as identified in step 2 so that additional data collection can be identified and captured as early as

Existing project data

- Application data
- Monitoring reports
- Results reporting

Additional information

- Survey or interview
- Potential CBA or CEA

Some research and innovation projects are suited to a cost-benefit analysis or costeffectiveness analysis. For example, a cost-effectiveness analysis was recently conducted on UK Space Agency's GCRF projects. Where appropriate, a CBA or CEA can be conducted at the project level and synthesised as part of the VfM information. At a

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minimum, cost information will need to be collated alongside the value information scored in the rubrics, to inform the *money* side of the Value-for-Money assessments.

Step 6: Identify the potential for synergies across projects in terms of the chosen levels for VfM assessment and collect further qualitative and quantitative information on them

Where there may be potential for large interactions and added-value between projects and programmes can be identified, it will make sense to target further data collection in those areas. Assessing synergies at levels above the project level could explore questions about cumulative results/outcomes/impacts across a country or a thematic area, about risk spreading through portfolios, or one project learning from another.



Step 7: Assess the Value for Money of each project In the Newton Fund Pilot for this approach, we used an expert peer review panel to make the VfM assessment. However, we moved towards an independent evidence-based assessment led by evaluation experts in the GCRF Evaluation.



Step 8: Synthesise and aggregate the ratings and evidenceAs IDRC (2017) notes, care needs to be taken when aggregating project ratings to the portfolio or fund-level to ensure that overall ratings are underpinned by strong qualitative narratives. This enables DSIT and Partners to track VfM performance at various levels within the funds, but also to learn from common themes in the qualitative

narratives.

Synthesising the evidence and learnings:

Rich insights will be generated through the qualitative VfM data. For example, what drives VfM up or down?



Step 9:

Facilitating learning:

The VfM deliverable should synthesise and report on VfM learnings from the data. This will include recommendations for how DSIT, Partners and award holders can improve VfM.

Summary of advantages of this approach:

- Comparability: It allows very different projects to be comparable through using the same criteria and standards. Different types of data can be comparable, which allows for the most appropriate data to be collected for each project (some projects can use CBA or CEA)
- Meaningful criteria: we can collaboratively set fund-specific criteria that would not be factored into a traditional econometric analysis, for example equitable partnerships.
- **Meaningful assessment:** The rich qualitative data allows for more nuanced information, which we can use to learn and improve.
- Allows for a portfolio approach: We can recognise that not all research projects are 'successful' and this approach allows for the aggregation of VfM at the project-level to the fund-level.

Limitations of the approach include:

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- Capturing the sum of the parts: Assessing projects individually and then
 aggregating up to different levels will not account for the added value of projects
 working together. Although this will be investigated through step 6 and 8 above,
 DSIT encourage this be explored in bids. The incorporation of synergies may
 require a slightly modified rubric.
- **Data reliability:** A lot of the data is self-reported (e.g. into ResearchFish), which could be unreliable. This can be partly triangulated using interviews with the project lead and project partners. Some data can also be independently verified for example, checking that reported research has occurred.
- **Monetising the benefits:** Financial information at the project level is limited. Bidders are invited to explore how they would develop an approach to monetising the benefits as displayed in the Theory of Change.

Unsatisfactory VfM cases

Although the VfM assessment is conducted at the activity level, DSIT will not report on VfM at an activity level. However, the VfM assessment will escalate where an activity is identified as "doing harm" such as through safeguarding issues or non-compliance. This is a standard procedure that is commonplace in evaluation contracts. In the rare case that this would happen, DSIT would pass information on to Partners to investigate and address.

Newton Fund Value for Money Draft Rubric

Criterion	Poor/1	Adequate/2	Good/3	Excellent/4	Certain ty
Relevance	partner country (nati onal,	Evidence suggests that the project aligns with partner country (national, regional or local) or wider ODA priorities or challenges	Evidence suggests the project aligns well with partner country or wider ODA priorities o r challenges	Evidence sugge sts that the project is very well-targeted to partner country (national , regional or local) or wider ODA priorities or challenges	LowMedHigh
Equitable partnerships and collaboration s	Evidence suggests no or limited equita ble partnerships or collaboration s. This could include project resources being use in	Evidence suggests an acceptable degree of equitable partnerships or collaborations. This could include project resources not being used to encourage equitable partnerships but not being used in an inequitable way, evidence of some co-design and some fair opportunity, fair process, and fair sharing of benefits costs and outcomes.	Evidence suggests positive equitab le partnerships or collaborations. This could include project resources being used in a way that encourages equitable partnerships or collaborations,	encourages strong equitable partnerships or collaborations,	LowMedHigh

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	fashion, limited evidence of co-design, fair opportunity, fair process, and fair sharing of benefits, costs and outcomes.		,	significant co- design, fair opportunity, fair process, and fair sharing of benefits, costs and outcomes for all partners. The partnership/colla boration has done/or is likely to lead to further collaborations.		
Progress on activities and outputs	acceptable progress with regards to expected acti vities and outputs.	Although not meeting progress with activities and outputs, the project is showing acceptable progress bearing in mind external circumstances.	Progress thus far generally met with regards to activities and outputs.	Progress thus far met or exceeded with regards to activities and outputs.	•	Low Med High
Capacity- strengthening (where applicable)	Where capacity-strengthenin g was intended, evidence suggests little or no enhance ment of the ability and resources of individuals, institutions, and/or systems to the capacitake	individuals, institutions, and/or systems to undertake, communicate, and/or use high quality research efficiently, effectively, and	positive enhanc ement of the ability and resources of individuals, institutions, and/or systems to undertake, communicate,	Where capacity- strengthening was intended, evidence sugge sts significant and sustainable enhancement of the ability and resources of individuals, institutions, and/or systems to undertake, communicate, and/or use high quality research efficiently, effectively, and sustainably.	•	Low Med High
Positioning for achieving project/progr amme outcomes	Evidence suggests the project is not positioned to achieve its outcomes. E.g. the project is not on track to	Evidence suggests the project is doing some positioning to achieve its objectives. E.g. the project is not on track to meet its objectives or is on track to partially complete objectives, but outcomes are still likely to be	to achieve its	Evidence suggests the project is positioning very well to achieve its objectives. E.g. There is evidence of some outcomes	•	Low Med High

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to lead to a contribution to fund-level impact to fund-level impact impact impacts, as detailed on the Theory of Change. E.g. significant contextual barriers limit potential for the Theory of Change impacts, as detailed on the Theory of Change. impacts, as detailed on the Theory of Change.	objectives, no evidence of engaging key stakeholders or user groups, no uptake of research outputs, or no positioning for influence on policy or practice, or evidence of catalytic effects for other	reasonable considering circ umstances. There is some evidence of engaging key stakeholders or user groups, some uptake of research outputs, or some positioning for influence on policy or practice, or evidence of catalytic effects for other research and innovation.	ging key stakeholders or user groups, positive uptake of research outputs, or	key stakeholders or user groups, significant uptake of research outputs, or stron g positioning for influence on policy/practice,		
Scores Change.	Evidence suggest outcomes are unlikely to lead to a contributing to fund-level impact impact on the Theory of Change	Evidence suggests that outcomes might lead to a contribution to fund-level impacts, as detailed on the Theory of Change. E.g. significant contextual barriers limit potential for impact	suggests outcomes are moderately likely to lead to a contribution to fund-level impacts, as detailed on the Theory of	innovation, or evidence of securing further funding. Evidence suggests outcomes are very likely to lead to a significant and/or sustainable contribution to fund-level impacts, as detailed on the	• Low • Med • Hig	d

Score from the rubric: (add up the scores from the rubric):

	Poor	Reasonable	Good	Excellent
	Multiplier of 0.875	Multiplier of 1	Multiplier of 1.125	Multiplier of 1.25
worthwhile was/is the	quality (as indicated by the above scores), the relative cost of the project	by the above scores), the relative cost of the project seems reasonable and it	quality (as indicated by the above scores), the relative cost of the project seems economical and it seems a	Given the project's quality (as indicated by the above scores), the relative cost of the project seems highly economical and it seems a very worthwhile investment

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1. Definitions used in the contract

Interpret this Contract using Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions).

2. How the contract works

- 2.1. The Supplier is eligible for the award of Order Contracts during the DPS Contract Period.
- 2.2. CCS does not guarantee the Supplier any exclusivity, quantity or value of work under the DPS Contract.
- 2.3. CCS has paid one penny to the Supplier legally to form the DPS Contract. The Supplier acknowledges this payment.
- 2.4. If the Buyer decides to buy Deliverables under the DPS Contract it must use DPS Schedule 7 (Order Procedure) and must state its requirements using DPS Schedule 6 (Order Form Template and Order Schedules). If allowed by the Regulations, the Buyer can:
 - (a) make changes to DPS Schedule 6 (Order Form Template and Order Schedules);
 - (b) create new Order Schedules;
 - (c) exclude optional template Order Schedules; and/or
 - (d) use Special Terms in the Order Form to add or change terms.
- 2.5. Each Order Contract:
 - (a) is a separate Contract from the DPS Contract:
 - (b) is between a Supplier and a Buyer;
 - (c) includes Core Terms, Schedules and any other changes or items in the completed Order Form; and
 - (d) survives the termination of the DPS Contract.
- 2.6. Where the Supplier is approached by any Other Contracting Authority requesting Deliverables or substantially similar goods or services, the Supplier must tell them about this DPS Contract before accepting their order.
- 2.7. The Supplier acknowledges it has all the information required to perform its obligations under each Contract before entering into a Contract. When information is provided by a Relevant Authority no warranty of its accuracy is given to the Supplier.
- 2.8. The Supplier will not be excused from any obligation, or be entitled to additional Costs or Charges because it failed to either:
 - (a) verify the accuracy of the Due Diligence Information; or
 - (b) properly perform its own adequate checks.
- 2.9. CCS and the Buyer will not be liable for errors, omissions or misrepresentation of any information.
- 2.10. The Supplier warrants and represents that all statements made and documents submitted as part of the procurement of Deliverables are and remain true and accurate.

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- 2.11. An Order Contract can only be created using the electronic procedures described in the FTS Notice as required by the Regulations.
- 2.12. A Supplier can only receive Orders under the DPS Contract while it meets the basic access requirements for the DPS stated in the FTS Notice. CCS can audit whether a Supplier meets the basic access requirements at any point during the DPS Contract Period.

3. What needs to be delivered

3.1. All deliverables

- 3.1.1. The Supplier must provide Deliverables:
 - (a) that comply with the Specification, the DPS Application and, in relation to an Order Contract, the Order Tender (if there is one);
 - (b) to a professional standard;
 - (c) using reasonable skill and care; (d) using Good Industry Practice;
 - (d) using its own policies, processes and internal quality control measures as long as they do not conflict with the Contract;
 - (e) on the dates agreed; and
 - (f) that comply with Law.
- 3.1.2. The Supplier must provide Deliverables with a warranty of at least 90 days from Delivery against all obvious defects.

3.2. Goods clauses

- 3.2.1. All Goods delivered must be new, or as new if recycled, unused and of recent origin.
- 3.2.2. All manufacturer warranties covering the Goods must be assignable to the Buyer on request and for free.
- 3.2.3. The Supplier transfers ownership of the Goods on Delivery or payment for those Goods, whichever is earlier.
- 3.2.4. Risk in the Goods transfers to the Buyer on Delivery of the Goods, but remains with the Supplier if the Buyer notices damage following Delivery and lets the Supplier know within 3 Working Days of Delivery.
- 3.2.5. The Supplier warrants that it has full and unrestricted ownership of the Goods at the time of transfer of ownership.
- 3.2.6. The Supplier must deliver the Goods on the date and to the specified location during the Buyer's working hours.
- 3.2.7. The Supplier must provide sufficient packaging for the Goods to reach the point of Delivery safely and undamaged.
- 3.2.8. All deliveries must have a delivery note attached that specifies the order number, type and quantity of Goods.

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- 3.2.9. The Supplier must provide all tools, information and instructions the Buyer needs to make use of the Goods.
- 3.2.10. The Supplier must indemnify the Buyer against the costs of any Recall of the Goods and give notice of actual or anticipated action about the Recall of the Goods.
- 3.2.11. The Buyer can cancel any order or part order of Goods which has not been Delivered. If the Buyer gives less than 14 days notice then it will pay the Supplier's reasonable and proven costs already incurred on the cancelled order as long as the Supplier takes all reasonable steps to minimise these costs.
- 3.2.12. The Supplier must at its own cost repair, replace, refund or substitute (at the Buyer's option and request) any Goods that the Buyer rejects because they do not conform with Clause 3. If the Supplier does not do this it will pay the Buyer's costs including repair or re-supply by a third party.

3.3. Services clauses

- 3.3.1. Late Delivery of the Services will be a Default of an Order Contract.
- 3.3.2. The Supplier must co-operate with the Buyer and third party suppliers on all aspects connected with the Delivery of the Services and ensure that Supplier Staff comply with any reasonable instructions.
- 3.3.3. The Supplier must at its own risk and expense provide all Supplier Equipment required to Deliver the Services.
- 3.3.4. The Supplier must allocate sufficient resources and appropriate expertise to each Contract.
- 3.3.5. The Supplier must take all reasonable care to ensure performance does not disrupt the Buyer's operations, employees or other contractors.
- 3.3.6. The Supplier must ensure all Services, and anything used to Deliver the Services, are of good quality and free from defects.
- 3.3.7. The Buyer is entitled to withhold payment for partially or undelivered Services, but doing so does not stop it from using its other rights under the Contract.

4. Pricing and payments

- 4.1. In exchange for the Deliverables, the Supplier must invoice the Buyer for the Charges in the Order Form.
- 4.2. CCS must invoice the Supplier for the Management Levy and the Supplier must pay it using the process in DPS Schedule 5 (Management Levy and Information).
- 4.3. All Charges and the Management Levy:
 - (a) exclude VAT, which is payable on provision of a valid VAT invoice; and
 - (b) include all costs connected with the Supply of Deliverables.

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- 4.4. The Buyer must pay the Supplier the Charges within 30 days of receipt by the Buyer of a valid, undisputed invoice, in cleared funds using the payment method and details stated in the Order Form.
- 4.5. A Supplier invoice is only valid if it:
 - (a) includes all appropriate references including the Contract reference number and other details reasonably requested by the Buyer;
 - (b) includes a detailed breakdown of Delivered Deliverables and Milestone(s) (if any); and
 - (c) does not include any Management Levy (the Supplier must not charge the Buyer in any way for the Management Levy).
- 4.6. The Buyer must accept and process for payment an undisputed Electronic Invoice received from the Supplier.
- 4.7. The Buyer may retain or set-off payment of any amount owed to it by the Supplier if notice and reasons are provided.
- 4.8. The Supplier must ensure that all Subcontractors are paid, in full, within 30 days of receipt of a valid, undisputed invoice. If this does not happen, CCS or the Buyer can publish the details of the late payment or non-payment.
- 4.9. If CCS or the Buyer can get more favourable commercial terms for the supply at cost of any materials, goods or services used by the Supplier to provide the Deliverables, then CCS or the Buyer may require the Supplier to replace its existing commercial terms with the more favourable terms offered for the relevant items.
- 4.10. If CCS or the Buyer uses Clause 4.9 then the DPS Pricing (and where applicable, the Charges) must be reduced by an agreed amount by using the Variation Procedure.
- 4.11. The Supplier has no right of set-off, counterclaim, discount or abatement unless they are ordered to do so by a court.

5. The buyer's obligations to the supplier

- 5.1. If Supplier Non-Performance arises from an Authority Cause:
 - (a) neither CCS or the Buyer can terminate a Contract under Clause 10.4.1;
 - (b) the Supplier is entitled to reasonable and proven additional expenses and to relief from liability and Deduction under this Contract;
 - (c) the Supplier is entitled to additional time needed to make the Delivery; and (d) the Supplier cannot suspend the ongoing supply of Deliverables.
- 5.2. Clause 5.1 only applies if the Supplier:
 - (a) gives notice to the Party responsible for the Authority Cause within 10 Working Days of becoming aware;
 - (b) demonstrates that the Supplier Non-Performance would not have occurred but for the Authority Cause; and
 - (c) mitigated the impact of the Authority Cause.

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6. Record keeping and reporting

- 6.1. The Supplier must attend Progress Meetings with the Buyer and provide Progress Reports when specified in the Order Form.
- 6.2. The Supplier must keep and maintain full and accurate records and accounts on everything to do with the Contract:
 - (a) during the Contract Period;
 - (b) for 7 years after the End Date; and (c) in accordance with UK GDPR, including but not limited to the records and accounts stated in the definition of Audit in Joint Schedule 1.
- 6.3. The Relevant Authority or an Auditor can Audit the Supplier.
- 6.4. During an Audit, the Supplier must:
 - (a) allow the Relevant Authority or any Auditor access to their premises to verify all contract accounts and records of everything to do with the Contract and provide copies for an Audit; and
 - (b) provide information to the Relevant Authority or to the Auditor and reasonable co-operation at their request.
- 6.5. Where the Audit of the Supplier is carried out by an Auditor, the Auditor shall be entitled to share any information obtained during the Audit with the Relevant Authority.
- 6.6. If the Supplier is not providing any of the Deliverables, or is unable to provide them, it must immediately:
 - (a) tell the Relevant Authority and give reasons;
 - (b) propose corrective action; and
 - (c) provide a deadline for completing the corrective action.
- 6.7. The Supplier must provide CCS with a Self Audit Certificate supported by an audit report at the end of each Contract Year. The report must contain:
 - (a) the methodology of the review;
 - (b) the sampling techniques applied;
 - (c) details of any issues; and
 - (d) any remedial action taken.
- 6.8. The Self Audit Certificate must be completed and signed by an auditor or senior member of the Supplier's management team that is qualified in either a relevant audit or financial discipline.

7. Supplier staff

- 7.1. The Supplier Staff involved in the performance of each Contract must:
 - (a) be appropriately trained and qualified;
 - (b) be vetted using Good Industry Practice and the Security Policy; and
 - (c) comply with all conduct requirements when on the Buyer's Premises.
- 7.2. Where a Buyer decides one of the Supplier's Staff is not suitable to work on a contract, the Supplier must replace them with a suitably qualified alternative.

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- 7.3. If requested, the Supplier must replace any person whose acts or omissions have caused the Supplier to breach Clause 27.
- 7.4. The Supplier must provide a list of Supplier Staff needing to access the Buyer's Premises and say why access is required.
- 7.5. The Supplier indemnifies CCS and the Buyer against all claims brought by any person employed by the Supplier caused by an act or omission of the Supplier or any Supplier Staff.

8. Rights and protection

- 8.1. The Supplier warrants and represents that:
 - (a) it has full capacity and authority to enter into and to perform each Contract;
 - (b) each Contract is executed by its authorised representative;
 - (c) it is a legally valid and existing organisation incorporated in the place it was formed;
 - (d) there are no known legal or regulatory actions or investigations before any court, administrative body or arbitration tribunal pending or threatened against it or its Affiliates that might affect its ability to perform each Contract;
 - (e) it maintains all necessary rights, authorisations, licences and consents to perform its obligations under each Contract;
 - (f) it does not have any contractual obligations which are likely to have a material adverse effect on its ability to perform each Contract;
 - (g) it is not impacted by an Insolvency Event; and (h) it will comply with each Order Contract.
- 8.2. The warranties and representations in Clauses 2.10 and 8.1 are repeated each time the Supplier provides Deliverables under the Contract.
- 8.3. The Supplier indemnifies both CCS and every Buyer against each of the following:
 - (a) wilful misconduct of the Supplier, Subcontractor and Supplier Staff that impacts the Contract; and
 - (b) non-payment by the Supplier of any Tax or National Insurance.
- 8.4. All claims indemnified under this Contract must use Clause 26.
- 8.5. The description of any provision of this Contract as a warranty does not prevent CCS or a Buyer from exercising any termination right that it may have for breach of that clause by the Supplier.
- 8.6. If the Supplier becomes aware of a representation or warranty that becomes untrue or misleading, it must immediately notify CCS and every Buyer.
- 8.7. All third party warranties and indemnities covering the Deliverables must be assigned for the Buyer's benefit by the Supplier.

9. Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs)

- 9.1. Each Party keeps ownership of its own Existing IPRs. The Supplier gives the Buyer a non-exclusive, perpetual, royalty-free, irrevocable, transferable worldwide licence to use, change and sub-license the Supplier's Existing IPR to enable it to both:
 - (a) receive and use the Deliverables; and

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(b) make use of the deliverables provided by a Replacement Supplier.

- 9.2. Any New IPR created under a Contract is owned by the Buyer. The Buyer gives the Supplier a licence to use any Existing IPRs and New IPRs for the purpose of fulfilling its obligations during the Contract Period.
- 9.3. Where a Party acquires ownership of IPRs incorrectly under this Contract it must do everything reasonably necessary to complete a transfer assigning them in writing to the other Party on request and at its own cost.
- 9.4. Neither Party has the right to use the other Party's IPRs, including any use of the other Party's names, logos or trademarks, except as provided in Clause 9 or otherwise agreed in writing.
- 9.5. If there is an IPR Claim, the Supplier indemnifies CCS and each Buyer against all losses, damages, costs or expenses (including professional fees and fines) incurred as a result.
- 9.6. If an IPR Claim is made or anticipated the Supplier must at its own expense and the Buyer's sole option, either:
 - (a) obtain for CCS and the Buyer the rights in Clause 9.1 and 9.2 without infringing any third party IPR; or
 - (b) replace or modify the relevant item with substitutes that do not infringe IPR without adversely affecting the functionality or performance of the Deliverables.
- 9.7. In spite of any other provisions of a Contract and for the avoidance of doubt, award of a Contract by the Buyer and placement of any contract task under it does not constitute an authorisation by the Crown under Sections 55 and 56 of the Patents Act 1977 or Section 12 of the Registered Designs Act 1949. The Supplier acknowledges that any authorisation by the Buyer under its statutory powers must be expressly provided in writing, with reference to the acts authorised and the specific IPR involved.

10. Ending the contract or any subcontract

10.1. Contract Period

- 10.1.1. The Contract takes effect on the Start Date and ends on the End Date or earlier if required by Law.
- 10.1.2. The Relevant Authority can extend the Contract for the Extension Period by giving the Supplier no less than 3 Months' written notice before the Contract expires.

10.2. Ending the contract without a reason

- 10.2.1. CCS has the right to terminate the DPS Contract at any time without reason by giving the Supplier at least 30 days' notice.
- 10.2.2. Each Buyer has the right to terminate their Order Contract at any time without reason by giving the Supplier not less than 90 days' written notice.

10.3. Rectification plan process

10.3.1. If there is a Default, the Relevant Authority may, without limiting its other rights, request that the Supplier provide a Rectification Plan.

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- 10.3.2. When the Relevant Authority receives a requested Rectification Plan it can either:
 - (a) reject the Rectification Plan or revised Rectification Plan, giving reasons; or
 - (b) accept the Rectification Plan or revised Rectification Plan (without limiting its rights) and the Supplier must immediately start work on the actions in the Rectification Plan at its own cost, unless agreed otherwise by the Parties.
- 10.3.3. Where the Rectification Plan or revised Rectification Plan is rejected, the Relevant Authority:
 - (a) must give reasonable grounds for its decision; and
 - (b) may request that the Supplier provides a revised Rectification Plan within 5 Working Days.
- 10.3.4. If the Relevant Authority rejects any Rectification Plan, including any revised Rectification Plan, the Relevant Authority does not have to request a revised Rectification Plan before exercising its right to terminate its Contract under Clause 10.4.3(a).

10.4. When CCS or the buyer can end a contract

- 10.4.1. If any of the following events happen, the Relevant Authority has the right to immediately terminate its Contract by issuing a Termination Notice to the Supplier:
 - (a) there is a Supplier Insolvency Event;
 - (b) there is a Default that is not corrected in line with an accepted Rectification Plan;
 - (c) the Supplier does not provide a Rectification Plan within 10 days of the request;
 - (d) there is any material Default of the Contract;
 - (e) there is any material Default of any Joint Controller Agreement relating to any Contract;
 - (f) there is a Default of Clauses 2.10, 9, 14, 15, 27, 32 or DPS Schedule 9 (Cyber Essentials) (where applicable) relating to any Contract;
 - (g) there is a consistent repeated failure to meet the Performance Indicators in DPS Schedule 4 (DPS Management);
 - (h) there is a Change of Control of the Supplier which is not pre-approved by the Relevant Authority in writing;
 - (i) if the Relevant Authority discovers that the Supplier was in one of the situations in 57 (1) or 57(2) of the Regulations at the time the Contract was awarded; or
 - (j) the Supplier or its Affiliates embarrass or bring CCS or the Buyer into disrepute or diminish the public trust in them.
- 10.4.2. CCS may terminate the DPS Contract if a Buyer terminates an Order Contract for any of the reasons listed in Clause 10.4.1.
- 10.4.3. If any of the following non-fault based events happen, the Relevant Authority has the right to immediately terminate its Contract by issuing a Termination Notice to the Supplier:
 - (a) the Relevant Authority rejects a Rectification Plan;
 - (b) there is a Variation which cannot be agreed using Clause 24 (Changing the contract) or resolved using Clause 34 (Resolving disputes);
 - (c) if there is a declaration of ineffectiveness in respect of any Variation; or (d) any of the events in 73 (1) (a) or (c) of the Regulations happen.

10.5. When the supplier can end the contract

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The Supplier can issue a Reminder Notice if the Buyer does not pay an undisputed invoice on time. The Supplier can terminate an Order Contract if the Buyer fails to pay an undisputed invoiced sum due and worth over 10% of the annual Contract Value within 30 days of the date of the Reminder Notice.

10.6. What happens if the contract ends

- 10.6.1. Where a Party terminates a Contract under any of Clauses 10.2.1, 10.2.2, 10.4.1, 10.4.2, 10.4.3, 10.5 or 20.2 or a Contract expires all of the following apply:
 - (a) The Buyer's payment obligations under the terminated Contract stop immediately.
 - (b) Accumulated rights of the Parties are not affected.
 - (c) The Supplier must promptly repay to the Buyer any and all Charges the Buyer has paid in advance in respect of Deliverables not provided by the Supplier as at the End Date.
 - (d) The Supplier must promptly delete or return the Government Data except where required to retain copies by Law.
 - (e) The Supplier must promptly return any of CCS or the Buyer's property provided under the terminated Contract.
 - (f) The Supplier must, at no cost to CCS or the Buyer, co-operate fully in the handover and reprocurement (including to a Replacement Supplier).
- 10.6.2. In addition to the consequences of termination listed in Clause 10.6.1, where the Relevant Authority terminates a Contract under Clause 10.4.1 the Supplier is also responsible for the Relevant Authority's reasonable costs of procuring Replacement Deliverables for the rest of the Contract Period.
- 10.6.3. In addition to the consequences of termination listed in Clause 10.6.1, if either the Relevant Authority terminates a Contract under Clause 10.2.1 or 10.2.2 or a Supplier terminates an Order Contract under Clause 10.5:
 - (a) the Buyer must promptly pay all outstanding Charges incurred to the Supplier; and
 - (b) the Buyer must pay the Supplier reasonable committed and unavoidable Losses as long as the Supplier provides a fully itemised and costed schedule with evidence the maximum value of this payment is limited to the total sum payable to the Supplier if the Contract had not been terminated.
- 10.6.4. In addition to the consequences of termination listed in Clause 10.6.1, where a Party terminates under Clause 20.2 each Party must cover its own Losses.
- 10.6.5. The following Clauses survive the termination or expiry of each Contract: 3.2.10, 4.2, 6, 7.5, 9, 11, 12.2, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 31.3, 34, 35 and any Clauses and Schedules which are expressly or by implication intended to continue.

10.7. Partially ending and suspending the contract

- 10.7.1. Where CCS has the right to terminate the DPS Contract it can suspend the Supplier's ability to accept Orders (for any period) and the Supplier cannot enter into any new Order Contracts during this period. If this happens, the Supplier must still meet its obligations under any existing Order Contracts that have already been signed.
- 10.7.2. Where CCS has the right to terminate a DPS Contract it is entitled to terminate all or part of it.

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- 10.7.3. Where the Buyer has the right to terminate an Order Contract it can terminate or suspend (for any period), all or part of it. If the Buyer suspends a Contract it can provide the Deliverables itself or buy them from a third party.
- 10.7.4. The Relevant Authority can only partially terminate or suspend a Contract if the remaining parts of that Contract can still be used to effectively deliver the intended purpose.
- 10.7.5. The Parties must agree any necessary Variation required by Clause 10.7 using the Variation Procedure, but the Supplier may not either:
 - (a) reject the Variation; or
 - (b) increase the Charges, except where the right to partial termination is under Clause 10.2.
- 10.7.6. The Buyer can still use other rights available, or subsequently available to it if it acts on its rights under Clause 10.7.

10.8. When subcontracts can be ended

At the Buyer's request, the Supplier must terminate any Subcontracts in any of the following events:

- (a) there is a Change of Control of a Subcontractor which is not pre-approved by the Relevant Authority in writing;
- (b) the acts or omissions of the Subcontractor have caused or materially contributed to a right of termination under Clause 10.4; or
- (c) a Subcontractor or its Affiliates embarrasses or brings into disrepute or diminishes the public trust in the Relevant Authority.

11. How much you can be held responsible for

- 11.1. Each Party's total aggregate liability in each Contract Year under this DPS Contract (whether in tort, contract or otherwise) is no more than £1,000,000.
- 11.2. Each Party's total aggregate liability in each Contract Year under each Order Contract (whether in tort, contract or otherwise) is no more than one hundred and twenty five percent (125%) of the Estimated Yearly Charges unless specified in the Order Form.
- 11.3. No Party is liable to the other for:
 - (a) any indirect Losses; or
 - (b) Loss of profits, turnover, savings, business opportunities or damage to goodwill (in each case whether direct or indirect).
- 11.4. In spite of Clause 11.1 and 11.2, neither Party limits or excludes any of the following:
 - (a) its liability for death or personal injury caused by its negligence, or that of its employees, agents or Subcontractors;
 - (b) its liability for bribery or fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation by it or its employees;
 - (c) any liability that cannot be excluded or limited by Law;
 - (d) its obligation to pay the required Management Levy or Default Management Levy.
- 11.5. In spite of Clauses 11.1 and 11.2, the Supplier does not limit or exclude its liability for any indemnity given under Clauses 7.5, 8.3(b), 9.5, 31.3 or Order Schedule 2 (Staff Transfer) of a Contract.

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- 11.6. In spite of Clauses 11.1, 11.2 but subject to Clauses 11.3 and 11.4, the Supplier's aggregate liability in each and any Contract Year under each Contract under Clause 14.8 shall in no event exceed the Data Protection Liability Cap.
- 11.7. Each Party must use all reasonable endeavours to mitigate any Loss or damage which it suffers under or in connection with each Contract, including any indemnities.
- 11.8. When calculating the Supplier's liability under Clause 11.1 or 11.2 the following items will not be taken into consideration:
 - (a) Deductions; and
 - (b) any items specified in Clauses 11.5 or 11.6.
- 11.9. If more than one Supplier is party to a Contract, each Supplier Party is jointly and severally liable for their obligations under that Contract.

12. Obeying the law

- 12.1. The Supplier must use reasonable endeavours to comply with the provisions of Joint Schedule 5 (Corporate Social Responsibility).
- 12.2. To the extent that it arises as a result of a Default by the Supplier, the Supplier indemnifies the Relevant Authority against any fine or penalty incurred by the Relevant Authority pursuant to Law and any costs incurred by the Relevant Authority in defending any proceedings which result in such fine or penalty.
- 12.3. The Supplier must appoint a Compliance Officer who must be responsible for ensuring that the Supplier complies with Law, Clause 12.1 and Clauses 27 to 32.

13. Insurance

The Supplier must, at its own cost, obtain and maintain the Required Insurances in Joint Schedule 3 (Insurance Requirements) and any Additional Insurances in the Order Form.

14. Data protection

- 14.1. The Supplier must process Personal Data and ensure that Supplier Staff process Personal Data only in accordance with Joint Schedule 11 (Processing Data).
- 14.2. The Supplier must not remove any ownership or security notices in or relating to the Government Data.
- 14.3. The Supplier must make accessible back-ups of all Government Data, stored in an agreed off-site location and send the Buyer copies every 6 Months.
- 14.4. The Supplier must ensure that any Supplier system holding any Government Data, including backup data, is a secure system that complies with the Security Policy and any applicable Security Management Plan.

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- 14.5. If at any time the Supplier suspects or has reason to believe that the Government Data provided under a Contract is corrupted, lost or sufficiently degraded, then the Supplier must notify the Relevant Authority and immediately suggest remedial action.
- 14.6. If the Government Data is corrupted, lost or sufficiently degraded so as to be unusable the Relevant Authority may either or both:
 - (a) tell the Supplier to restore or get restored Government Data as soon as practical but no later than 5 Working Days from the date that the Relevant Authority receives notice, or the Supplier finds out about the issue, whichever is earlier; and/or
 - (b) restore the Government Data itself or using a third party.
- 14.7. The Supplier must pay each Party's reasonable costs of complying with Clause 14.6 unless CCS or the Buyer is at fault.
- 14.8. The Supplier:
 - (a) must provide the Relevant Authority with all Government Data in an agreed open format within 10 Working Days of a written request;
 - (b) must have documented processes to guarantee prompt availability of Government Data if the Supplier stops trading;
 - (c) must securely destroy all Storage Media that has held Government Data at the end of life of that media using Good Industry Practice;
 - (d) securely erase all Government Data and any copies it holds when asked to do so by CCS or the Buyer unless required by Law to retain it; and
 - (e) indemnifies CCS and each Buyer against any and all Losses incurred if the Supplier breaches Clause 14 and any Data Protection Legislation.

15. What you must keep confidential

- 15.1. Each Party must:
 - (a) keep all Confidential Information it receives confidential and secure;
 - (b) except as expressly set out in the Contract at Clauses 15.2 to 15.4 or elsewhere in the Contract, not disclose, use or exploit the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information without the Disclosing Party's prior written consent; and
 - (c) immediately notify the Disclosing Party if it suspects unauthorised access, copying, use or disclosure of the Confidential Information.
- 15.2. In spite of Clause 15.1, a Party may disclose Confidential Information which it receives from the Disclosing Party in any of the following instances:
 - (a) where disclosure is required by applicable Law or by a court with the relevant jurisdiction if, to the extent not prohibited by Law, the Recipient Party notifies the Disclosing Party of the full circumstances, the affected Confidential Information and extent of the disclosure;
 - (b) if the Recipient Party already had the information without obligation of confidentiality before it was disclosed by the Disclosing Party;
 - (c) if the information was given to it by a third party without obligation of confidentiality;
 - (d) if the information was in the public domain at the time of the disclosure;
 - (e) if the information was independently developed without access to the Disclosing Party's
 - (f) Confidential Information;
 - (g) on a confidential basis, to its auditors;

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- (h) on a confidential basis, to its professional advisers on a need-to-know basis; or
- (i) to the Serious Fraud Office where the Recipient Party has reasonable grounds to believe that the Disclosing Party is involved in activity that may be a criminal offence under the Bribery Act 2010.
- 15.3. In spite of Clause 15.1, the Supplier may disclose Confidential Information on a confidential basis to Supplier Staff on a need-to-know basis to allow the Supplier to meet its obligations under the Contract. The Supplier Staff must enter into a direct confidentiality agreement with the Relevant Authority at its request.
- 15.4. In spite of Clause 15.1, CCS or the Buyer may disclose Confidential Information in any of the following cases:
 - (a) on a confidential basis to the employees, agents, consultants and contractors of CCS or the Buyer;
 - (b) on a confidential basis to any other Central Government Body, any successor body to a Central Government Body or any company that CCS or the Buyer transfers or proposes to transfer all or any part of its business to;
 - (c) if CCS or the Buyer (acting reasonably) considers disclosure necessary or appropriate to carry out its public functions;
 - (d) where requested by Parliament; or (e) under Clauses 4.7 and 16.
- 15.5. For the purposes of Clauses 15.2 to 15.4 references to disclosure on a confidential basis means disclosure under a confidentiality agreement or arrangement including terms as strict as those required in Clause 15.
- 15.6. Transparency Information is not Confidential Information.
- 15.7. The Supplier must not make any press announcement or publicise the Contracts or any part of them in any way, without the prior written consent of the Relevant Authority and must take all reasonable steps to ensure that Supplier Staff do not either.

16. When you can share information

- 16.1. The Supplier must tell the Relevant Authority within 48 hours if it receives a Request For Information.
- 16.2. Within five (5) Working Days of the Buyer's request the Supplier must give CCS and each Buyer full cooperation and information needed so the Buyer can:
 - (a) publish the Transparency Information;
 - (b) comply with any Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request; and/or (c) comply with any Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) request.
- 16.3. The Relevant Authority may talk to the Supplier to help it decide whether to publish information under Clause 16. However, the extent, content and format of the disclosure is the Relevant Authority's decision in its absolute discretion.

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17. Invalid parts of the contract

If any part of a Contract is prohibited by Law or judged by a court to be unlawful, void or unenforceable, it must be read as if it was removed from that Contract as much as required and rendered ineffective as far as possible without affecting the rest of the Contract, whether it is valid or enforceable.

18. No other terms apply

The provisions incorporated into each Contract are the entire agreement between the Parties. The Contract replaces all previous statements, agreements and any course of dealings made between the Parties, whether written or oral, in relation to its subject matter. No other provisions apply.

19. Other people's rights in a contract

No third parties may use the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 (CRTPA) to enforce any term of the Contract unless stated (referring to CRTPA) in the Contract. This does not affect third party rights and remedies that exist independently from CRTPA.

20. Circumstances beyond your control

- 20.1. Any Party affected by a Force Majeure Event is excused from performing its obligations under a Contract while the inability to perform continues, if it both:
 - (a) provides a Force Majeure Notice to the other Party; and
 - (b) uses all reasonable measures practical to reduce the impact of the Force Majeure Event.
- 20.2. Either Party can partially or fully terminate the affected Contract if the provision of the Deliverables is materially affected by a Force Majeure Event which lasts for 90 days continuously.

21. Relationships created by the contract

No Contract creates a partnership, joint venture or employment relationship. The Supplier must represent themselves accordingly and ensure others do so.

22. Giving up contract rights

A partial or full waiver or relaxation of the terms of a Contract is only valid if it is stated to be a waiver in writing to the other Party.

23. Transferring responsibilities

- 23.1. The Supplier cannot assign, novate or transfer a Contract or any part of a Contract without the Relevant Authority's written consent.
- 23.2. The Relevant Authority can assign, novate or transfer its Contract or any part of it to any Central Government Body, public or private sector body which performs the functions of the Relevant Authority.

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- 23.3. When CCS or the Buyer uses its rights under Clause 23.2 the Supplier must enter into a novation agreement in the form that CCS or the Buyer specifies.
- 23.4. The Supplier can terminate a Contract novated under Clause 23.2 to a private sector body that is experiencing an Insolvency Event.
- 23.5. The Supplier remains responsible for all acts and omissions of the Supplier Staff as if they were its own.
- 23.6. If CCS or the Buyer asks the Supplier for details about Subcontractors, the Supplier must provide details of Subcontractors at all levels of the supply chain including:
 - (a) their name;
 - (b) the scope of their appointment; and
 - (c) the duration of their appointment.

24. Changing the contract

- 24.1. Either Party can request a Variation which is only effective if agreed in writing and signed by both Parties.
- 24.2. The Supplier must provide an Impact Assessment either:
 - (a) with the Variation Form, where the Supplier requests the Variation; or
 - (b) within the time limits included in a Variation Form requested by CCS or the Buyer.
- 24.3. If the Variation cannot be agreed or resolved by the Parties, CCS or the Buyer can either:
 - (a) agree that the Contract continues without the Variation; or
 - (b) terminate the affected Contract, unless in the case of an Order Contract, the Supplier has already provided part or all of the provision of the Deliverables, or where the Supplier can show evidence of substantial work being carried out to provide them; or
 - (c) refer the Dispute to be resolved using Clause 34 (Resolving Disputes).
- 24.4. CCS and the Buyer are not required to accept a Variation request made by the Supplier.
- 24.5. If there is a General Change in Law, the Supplier must bear the risk of the change and is not entitled to ask for an increase to the DPS Pricing or the Charges.
- 24.6. If there is a Specific Change in Law or one is likely to happen during the Contract Period the Supplier must give CCS and the Buyer notice of the likely effects of the changes as soon as reasonably practical. They must also say if they think any Variation is needed either to the Deliverables, DPS Pricing or a Contract and provide evidence:
 - (a) that the Supplier has kept costs as low as possible, including in Subcontractor costs; and
 - (b) of how it has affected the Supplier's costs.
- 24.7. Any change in the DPS Pricing or relief from the Supplier's obligations because of a Specific Change in Law must be implemented using Clauses 24.1 to 24.4.
- 24.8. For 101(5) of the Regulations, if the Court declares any Variation ineffective, the Parties agree that their mutual rights and obligations will be regulated by the terms of the Contract as they existed immediately prior to that Variation and as if the Parties had never entered into that Variation.

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25. How to communicate about the contract

- 25.1. All notices under the Contract must be in writing and are considered effective on the Working Day of delivery as long as they are delivered before 5:00pm on a Working Day. Otherwise the notice is effective on the next Working Day. An email is effective at 9:00am on the first Working Day after sending unless an error message is received.
- 25.2. Notices to CCS must be sent to the CCS Authorised Representative's address or email address indicated on the Platform.
- 25.3. Notices to the Buyer must be sent to the Buyer Authorised Representative's address or email address in the Order Form.
- 25.4. This Clause does not apply to the service of legal proceedings or any documents in any legal action, arbitration or dispute resolution.

26. Dealing with claims

- 26.1. If a Beneficiary is notified of a Claim then it must notify the Indemnifier as soon as reasonably practical and no later than 10 Working Days.
- 26.2. At the Indemnifier's cost the Beneficiary must both:
 - (a) allow the Indemnifier to conduct all negotiations and proceedings to do with a Claim; and
 - (b) give the Indemnifier reasonable assistance with the claim if requested.
- 26.3. The Beneficiary must not make admissions about the Claim without the prior written consent of the Indemnifier which can not be unreasonably withheld or delayed.
- 26.4. The Indemnifier must consider and defend the Claim diligently using competent legal advisors and in a way that does not damage the Beneficiary's reputation.
- 26.5. The Indemnifier must not settle or compromise any Claim without the Beneficiary's prior written consent which it must not unreasonably withhold or delay.
- 26.6. Each Beneficiary must take all reasonable steps to minimise and mitigate any losses that it suffers because of the Claim.
- 26.7. If the Indemnifier pays the Beneficiary money under an indemnity and the Beneficiary later recovers money which is directly related to the Claim, the Beneficiary must immediately repay the Indemnifier the lesser of either:
 - (a) the sum recovered minus any legitimate amount spent by the Beneficiary when recovering this money; or
 - (b) the amount the Indemnifier paid the Beneficiary for the Claim.

27. Preventing fraud, bribery and corruption

27.1. The Supplier must not during any Contract Period:

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(a) commit a Prohibited Act or any other criminal offence in the Regulations 57(1) and 57(2);

- (b) do or allow anything which would cause CCS or the Buyer, including any of their employees, consultants, contractors, Subcontractors or agents to breach any of the Relevant Requirements or incur any liability under them.
- 27.2. The Supplier must during the Contract Period:

or

- (a) create, maintain and enforce adequate policies and procedures to ensure it complies with the Relevant Requirements to prevent a Prohibited Act and require its Subcontractors to do the same:
- (b) keep full records to show it has complied with its obligations under Clause 27 and give copies to CCS or the Buyer on request; and
- (c) if required by the Relevant Authority, within 20 Working Days of the Start Date of the relevant Contract, and then annually, certify in writing to the Relevant Authority, that they have complied with Clause 27, including compliance of Supplier Staff, and provide reasonable supporting evidence of this on request, including its policies and procedures.
- 27.3. The Supplier must immediately notify CCS and the Buyer if it becomes aware of any breach of Clauses 27.1 or 27.2 or has any reason to think that it, or any of the Supplier Staff, has either:
 - (a) been investigated or prosecuted for an alleged Prohibited Act;
 - (b) been debarred, suspended, proposed for suspension or debarment, or is otherwise ineligible to take part in procurement programmes or contracts because of a Prohibited Act by any government department or agency;
 - (c) received a request or demand for any undue financial or other advantage of any kind related to a Contract; or
 - (d) suspected that any person or Party directly or indirectly related to a Contract has committed or attempted to commit a Prohibited Act.
- 27.4. If the Supplier notifies CCS or the Buyer as required by Clause 27.3, the Supplier must respond promptly to their further enquiries, co-operate with any investigation and allow the Audit of any books, records and relevant documentation.
- 27.5. In any notice the Supplier gives under Clause 27.3 it must specify the:
 - (a) Prohibited Act:
 - (b) identity of the Party who it thinks has committed the Prohibited Act; and
 - (c) action it has decided to take.

28. Equality, diversity and human rights

- 28.1. The Supplier must follow all applicable equality Law when they perform their obligations under the Contract, including:
 - (a) protections against discrimination on the grounds of race, sex, gender reassignment, religion or belief, disability, sexual orientation, pregnancy, maternity, age or otherwise; and
 - (b) any other requirements and instructions which CCS or the Buyer reasonably imposes related to equality Law.
- 28.2. The Supplier must take all necessary steps, and inform CCS or the Buyer of the steps taken, to prevent anything that is considered to be unlawful discrimination by any court or tribunal, or the

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Equality and Human Rights Commission (or any successor organisation) when working on a Contract.

29. Health and safety

- 29.1. The Supplier must perform its obligations meeting the requirements of:
 - (a) all applicable Law regarding health and safety; and
 - (b) the Buyer's current health and safety policy while at the Buyer's Premises, as provided to the Supplier.
- 29.2. The Supplier and the Buyer must as soon as possible notify the other of any health and safety incidents or material hazards they are aware of at the Buyer Premises that relate to the performance of a Contract.

30. Environment

- 30.1. When working on Site the Supplier must perform its obligations under the Buyer's current Environmental Policy, which the Buyer must provide.
- 30.2. The Supplier must ensure that Supplier Staff are aware of the Buyer's Environmental Policy.

31. Tax

- 31.1. The Supplier must not breach any Tax or social security obligations and must enter into a binding agreement to pay any late contributions due, including where applicable, any interest or any fines. CCS and the Buyer cannot terminate a Contract where the Supplier has not paid a minor Tax or social security contribution.
- 31.2. Where the Charges payable under a Contract with the Buyer are or are likely to exceed £5 million at any point during the relevant Contract Period, and an Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance occurs, the Supplier must notify CCS and the Buyer of it within 5 Working Days including:
 - (a) the steps that the Supplier is taking to address the Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance and any mitigating factors that it considers relevant; and
 - (b) other information relating to the Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance that CCS and the Buyer may reasonably need.
- 31.3. Where the Supplier or any Supplier Staff are liable to be taxed or to pay National Insurance contributions in the UK relating to payment received under an Order Contract, the Supplier must both:
 - (a) comply with the Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003 and all other statutes and regulations relating to income tax, the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 (including IR35) and National Insurance contributions; and
 - (b) indemnify the Buyer against any Income Tax, National Insurance and social security contributions and any other liability, deduction, contribution, assessment or claim arising from or made during or after the Contract Period in connection with the provision of the Deliverables by the Supplier or any of the Supplier Staff.

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31.4. If any of the Supplier Staff are Workers who receive payment relating to the Deliverables, then the Supplier must ensure that its contract with the Worker contains the following requirements:

- (a) the Buyer may, at any time during the Contract Period, request that the Worker provides information which demonstrates they comply with Clause 31.3, or why those requirements do not apply, the Buyer can specify the information the Worker must provide and the deadline for responding;
- (b) the Worker's contract may be terminated at the Buyer's request if the Worker fails to provide the information requested by the Buyer within the time specified by the Buyer;
- (c) the Worker's contract may be terminated at the Buyer's request if the Worker provides information which the Buyer considers is not good enough to demonstrate how it complies with Clause 31.3 or confirms that the Worker is not complying with those requirements; and
- (d) the Buyer may supply any information they receive from the Worker to HMRC for revenue collection and management.

32. Conflict of interest

- 32.1. The Supplier must take action to ensure that neither the Supplier nor the Supplier Staff are placed in the position of an actual or potential Conflict of Interest.
- 32.2. The Supplier must promptly notify and provide details to CCS and each Buyer if a Conflict of Interest happens or is expected to happen.
- 32.3. CCS and each Buyer can terminate its Contract immediately by giving notice in writing to the Supplier or take any steps it thinks are necessary where there is or may be an actual or potential Conflict of Interest.

33. Reporting a breach of the contract

- 33.1. As soon as it is aware of it the Supplier and Supplier Staff must report to CCS or the Buyer any actual or suspected breach of:
 - (a) Law:
 - (b) Clause 12.1; or
 - (c) Clauses 27 to 32.
- 33.2. The Supplier must not retaliate against any of the Supplier Staff who in good faith reports a breach listed in Clause 33.1 to the Buyer or a Prescribed Person.

34. Resolving disputes

- 34.1. If there is a Dispute, the senior representatives of the Parties who have authority to settle the Dispute will, within 28 days of a written request from the other Party, meet in good faith to resolve the Dispute.
- 34.2. If the Dispute is not resolved at that meeting, the Parties can attempt to settle it by mediation using the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR) Model Mediation Procedure current at the time of the Dispute. If the Parties cannot agree on a mediator, the mediator will be nominated by CEDR. If either Party does not wish to use, or continue to use mediation, or mediation does not resolve the Dispute, the Dispute must be resolved using Clauses 34.3 to 34.5.

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34.3. Unless the Relevant Authority refers the Dispute to arbitration using Clause 34.4, the Parties irrevocably agree that the courts of England and Wales have the exclusive jurisdiction to:

- (a) determine the Dispute;
- (b) grant interim remedies; and/or
- (c) grant any other provisional or protective relief.
- 34.4. The Supplier agrees that the Relevant Authority has the exclusive right to refer any Dispute to be finally resolved by arbitration under the London Court of International Arbitration Rules current at the time of the Dispute. There will be only one arbitrator. The seat or legal place of the arbitration will be London and the proceedings will be in English.
- 34.5. The Relevant Authority has the right to refer a Dispute to arbitration even if the Supplier has started or has attempted to start court proceedings under Clause 34.3, unless the Relevant Authority has agreed to the court proceedings or participated in them. Even if court proceedings have started, the Parties must do everything necessary to ensure that the court proceedings are stayed in favour of any arbitration proceedings if they are started under Clause 34.4.
- 34.6. The Supplier cannot suspend the performance of a Contract during any Dispute.

35. Which law applies

This Contract and any Disputes arising out of, or connected to it, are governed by English law.

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1. What we expect from our Suppliers

1.1 In September 2017, HM Government published a Supplier Code of Conduct setting out the standards and behaviours expected of suppliers who work with government.

(https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/646497/2017-09-

- 13_Official_Sensitive_Supplier_Code_of_Conduct_September_2017.pdf)
- 1.2 CCS expects its suppliers and subcontractors to meet the standards set out in that Code. In addition, CCS expects its suppliers and subcontractors to comply with the standards set out in this Schedule.
- 1.3 The Supplier acknowledges that the Buyer may have additional requirements in relation to corporate social responsibility. The Buyer expects that the Supplier and its Subcontractors will comply with such corporate social responsibility requirements as the Buyer may notify to the Supplier from time to time.

2. Equality and Accessibility

- 2.1 In addition to legal obligations, the Supplier shall support CCS and the Buyer in fulfilling its Public Sector Equality duty under S149 of the Equality Act 2010 by ensuring that it fulfils its obligations under each Contract in a way that seeks to:
 - 2.1.1 eliminate discrimination, harassment or victimisation of any kind; and
 - 2.1.2 advance equality of opportunity and good relations between those with a protected characteristic (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation, and marriage and civil partnership) and those who do not share it.

3. Modern Slavery, Child Labour and Inhumane Treatment

"Modern Slavery Helpline" means the mechanism for reporting suspicion, seeking help or advice and information on the subject of modern slavery available online at https://www.modernslaveryhelpline.org/report or by telephone on 08000 121 700.

3.1 The Supplier:

- 3.1.1 shall not use, nor allow its Subcontractors to use forced, bonded or involuntary prison labour;
- 3.1.2 shall not require any Supplier Staff or Subcontractor Staff to lodge deposits or identify papers with the Employer and shall be free to leave their employer after reasonable notice;
- 3.1.3 warrants and represents that it has not been convicted of any slavery or human trafficking offences anywhere around the world.
- 3.1.4 warrants that to the best of its knowledge it is not currently under investigation, inquiry or enforcement proceedings in relation to any allegation of slavery or human trafficking offences anywhere around the world.

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- 3.1.5 shall make reasonable enquires to ensure that its officers, employees and Subcontractors have not been convicted of slavery or human trafficking offences anywhere around the world.
- 3.1.6 shall have and maintain throughout the term of each Contract its own policies and procedures to ensure its compliance with the Modern Slavery Act and include in its contracts with its Subcontractors anti-slavery and human trafficking provisions;
- 3.1.7 shall implement due diligence procedures to ensure that there is no slavery or human trafficking in any part of its supply chain performing obligations under a Contract;
- 3.1.8 shall prepare and deliver to CCS, an annual slavery and human trafficking report setting out the steps it has taken to ensure that slavery and human trafficking is not taking place in any of its supply chains or in any part of its business with its annual certification of compliance with Paragraph 3;
- 3.1.9 shall not use, nor allow its employees or Subcontractors to use physical abuse or discipline, the threat of physical abuse, sexual or other harassment and verbal abuse or other forms of intimidation of its employees or Subcontractors;
- 3.1.10 shall not use or allow child or slave labour to be used by its Subcontractors;
- 3.1.11 shall report the discovery or suspicion of any slavery or trafficking by it or its Subcontractors to CCS, the Buyer and Modern Slavery Helpline.

4. Income Security

- 4.1 The Supplier shall:
 - 4.1.1 ensure that all wages and benefits paid for a standard working week meet, at a minimum, national legal standards in the country of employment;
 - 4.1.2 ensure that all Supplier Staff are provided with written and understandable Information about their employment conditions in respect of wages before they enter;
 - 4.1.3 ensure that all workers are provided with written and understandable Information about their employment conditions in respect of wages before they enter employment and about the particulars of their wages for the pay period concerned each time that they are paid;
 - 4.1.4 not make deductions from wages:
 - (a) as a disciplinary measure
 - (b) except where permitted by law; or
 - (c) without expressed permission of the worker concerned;
 - 4.1.5 record all disciplinary measures taken against Supplier Staff; and
 - 4.1.6 ensure that Supplier Staff are engaged under a recognised employment relationship established through national law and practice.

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5. Working Hours

- 5.1 The Supplier shall:
 - 5.1.1 ensure that the working hours of Supplier Staff comply with national laws, and any collective agreements;
 - 5.1.2 ensure that the working hours of Supplier Staff, excluding overtime, shall be defined by contract, and shall not exceed 48 hours per week unless the individual has agreed in writing;
 - 5.1.3 ensure that use of overtime is used responsibly, taking into account:
 - (a) the extent;
 - (b) frequency; and
 - (c) hours worked;

by individuals and by the Supplier Staff as a whole;

- 5.2 The total hours worked in any seven day period shall not exceed 60 hours, except where covered by Paragraph 5.3 below.
- 5.3 Working hours may exceed 60 hours in any seven day period only in exceptional circumstances where all of the following are met:
 - 5.3.1 this is allowed by national law;
 - 5.3.2 this is allowed by a collective agreement freely negotiated with a workers' organisation representing a significant portion of the workforce:
 - 5.3.3 appropriate safeguards are taken to protect the workers' health and safety; and
 - 5.3.4 the employer can demonstrate that exceptional circumstances apply such as unexpected production peaks, accidents or emergencies.
- 5.4 All Supplier Staff shall be provided with at least one (1) day off in every seven (7) day period or, where allowed by national law, two (2) days off in every fourteen (14) day period.

6. Sustainability

6.1 The supplier shall meet the applicable Government Buying Standards applicable to Deliverables which can be found online at:

https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/sustainable-procurement-thegovernment-buying-standards-gbs

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DESNZ & DSIT: Environmental Policy

DESNZ and DSIT are UK government departments respectively leading on energy security & net zero and science, innovation & technology. We are committed to protecting the environment and preventing pollution. We undertake all our activities in a responsible manner, using best practice, to reduce the environmental impacts of our operations and to enhance and improve environmental performance and the Environmental Management System. DESNZ and DSIT are committed to fulfilling all environmental compliance obligations as a minimum and will strive to continually improve the environmental performance of our buildings, operations and supply chains.

DESNZ & DSIT will:

- Proactively reduce our carbon footprint by implementing energy saving practices and technologies, to be more energy efficient;
- Mitigate the impacts of business travel through relevant policies and procedures;
- Preserve and enhance biodiversity on our sites where we have opportunities and scope to do so;
- Proactively use innovation and technology to ensure efficient use of water;
- Embed the Waste Hierarchy into all waste procedures while also managing waste according to our duty of care;
- Understand and assess climate change adaptation risks for our key sites, to ensure business continuity and resilience;
- Consider sustainability in all procurement decisions, focusing on decarbonisation, sustainable resource use and climate change adaptation;
- Minimise the consumption of natural resources and reducing environmental impacts through our supply chains;
- Manage fuels and hazardous substances appropriately to minimise environmental risks;
- Regularly review performance of environmental objectives and targets;
- Regularly report on progress to the senior responsible officer;
- Communicate this policy to our staff, to everyone working for or on behalf of DESNZ and DSIT and interested parties to ensure they understand the environmental impacts of their job and how to minimise these.

DESNZ and DSIT shall monitor and review effectiveness of this policy through ISO 14001:2015 Environmental Management System and in conjunction with the ISO 50001:2018 Energy Management System.

Endorsed and signed by:

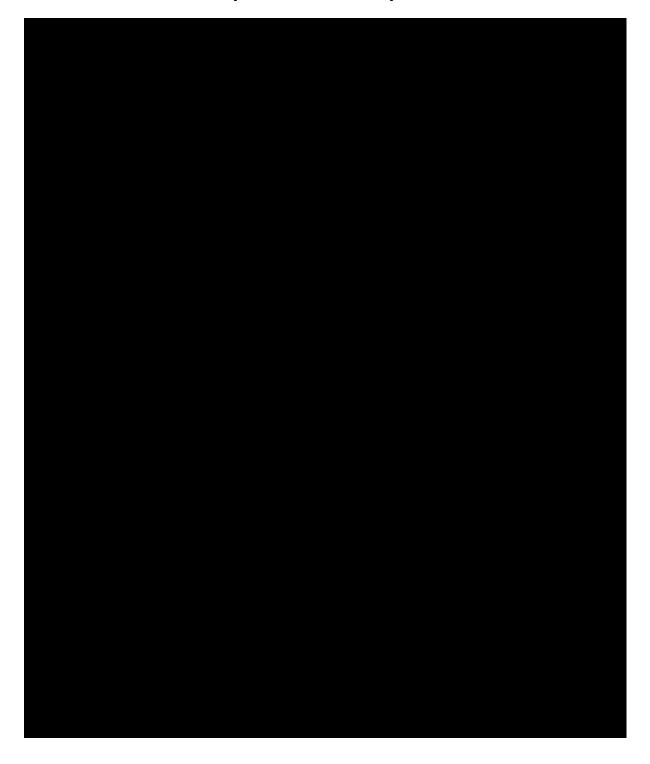


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