

- 29.6. Subject to Clause 29.7, the Supplier shall notify the Customer immediately if it:
  - 29.6.1. notify the Customer promptly if the Supplier receives a Data Subject Access Request (or purported Data Subject Access Request);
  - 29.6.2. receives a request to rectify, block or erase any Personal Data;
  - 29.6.3. receives any other request, any complaint, notice or communication relating to either Party's obligations under the Data Protection Legislation;
  - 29.6.4. receives any communication from the Information Commissioner or any other regulatory authority in connection with Personal Data processed under this Agreement;
  - 29.6.5. receives a request from any third Party for disclosure of Personal Data where that relates directly to its compliance with such request is required or purported to be required by Law; or Data Protection Legislation and/or the processing of personal data under or in connection with this Contract;
  - 29.6.6. becomes aware of a Data Loss Event.
- 29.7. The Supplier's obligation to notify under Clause 29.6 shall include the provision of further information to the Customer in phases, as details become available.
- 29.8. Taking into account the nature of the processing, the Supplier shall provide the Customer the Customer with full cooperation and assistance in relation to either Party's obligations under Data Protection Legislation and any complaint, communication or request made under Clause 29.6 (and insofar as possible (within the timescales reasonably required by the Customer) including by promptly providing:
  - 29.8.1. the Customer with full details and copies of the complaint, communication or request;
  - 29.8.2. the Customer) in relation to any such assistance as is reasonably requested by the Customer to enable the Customer to comply with a Data Subject Access Request within the relevant timescales set out in the Data Protection Legislation; complaint, communication or request;
  - 29.8.3. the Customer, at its request, with any Personal Data it holds in relation to a Data Subject;
  - 29.8.4. assistance as if requested by the Customer following any Data Loss Event;
  - 29.8.5. assistance as requested by the Customer with respect to any request from the Information Commissioner's Office, or any consultation by the Customer with Customer, provide a written description of the Information Commissioner's Office.
- 29.9. The Supplier shall maintain complete and accurate records and information to demonstrate its compliance with this Clause. This requirement does not apply where the Supplier employs fewer than 250 staff, unless:

- 29.9.1. the Customer determines that the processing is not occasional;
- 29.9.2. the Customer determines the processing includes special categories of data as referred to in Article 9(1) of the GDPR or Personal Data relating to criminal convictions and offences referred to in Article 10 of the GDPR; and
- 29.9.3. the Customer determines that the processing is likely to result in a risk to the rights and freedoms of Data Subjects.
- 29.10. The Supplier shall allow for audits of its Data Processing activity by the Customer or the Customer's designated auditor.
- 29.11. The Supplier shall designate a data protection officer if required and use its reasonable endeavours to assist the Customer to comply with any obligations under the Data Protection Legislation.
- 29.12. Before allowing any Sub-processor to process any Personal Data related to this Agreement, the Supplier must:
  - 29.12.1. notify the Customer in writing of the intended Sub-processor and processing;
  - 29.12.2. obtain the written consent of the Customer;
  - 29.12.3. enter into a written agreement with the Sub-processor which give effect to the terms set out in this Clause 29.12 such that they apply to the Sub-processor; and
  - 29.12.4. provide the Customer with such information regarding the Sub-processor as the Customer may reasonably require.
- 29.13. The Supplier shall remain fully liable for all acts or omissions of any Sub-processor.
- 29.14. The Customer may, at any time on not less than 30 Working Days' notice, revise this clause by replacing it with any applicable controller to processor standard clauses or similar terms forming part of an applicable certification scheme (which shall apply when incorporated by attachment to this Agreement).
- 29.15. The Parties agree to take account of any guidance issued by the Information Commissioner's Office. The Customer may on not less than 30 Working Days' notice to the Supplier amend this agreement to ensure that it complies with any guidance issued by the Information Commissioner's Office.
- 29.16. The Supplier will not cause the Customer to breach any of the Customer's obligations under the Data Protection Legislation, to the extent the Supplier is aware (or ought reasonably to have been aware), that the same would be a breach of such obligations. It will not Process or otherwise transfer any Personal Data in or to any country outside the European Economic Area or any country which is not determined to be adequate by the European Commission under Article 25(6) of Directive 95/46/EC without Approval from the Customer.
- 29.17. The Supplier will use the latest versions of anti-virus definitions and software available

from an industry accepted anti-virus software vendor (unless otherwise agreed in writing between the Parties) to check for, contain the spread of, and minimise the impact of Malicious Software (or as otherwise agreed between the Parties).

- 29.18. Notwithstanding Clause 28.6, if Malicious Software is found, the Parties will co-operate to reduce its impact. If Malicious Software causes loss of operational efficiency or loss or corruption of Customer Data, the Parties will assist each other to mitigate any losses and to restore the provision of the Project.

#### **Customer Data**

- 29.19. The Supplier will not store, copy, disclose, or use the Customer Data except as necessary to perform its obligations under this Contract or where the Customer has given Approval.
- 29.20. If any Customer Data is held and/or Processed by the Supplier, the Supplier must supply that Customer Data to the Customer, at the time and in the format the Customer requests.
- 29.21. The Supplier is responsible for preserving the integrity of any Customer Data it holds or processes, and preventing its corruption or loss.
- 29.22. The Supplier will perform secure back-ups of all customer data and shall ensure that such back-ups are available to the Customer (or to such other person as the Customer may direct) on request.
- 29.23. The Supplier will ensure that any system it uses to holds any Customer Data, including back-up data, is secure. This system must comply with any security requirements and any government security requirement policy relating to this Customer Data.
- 29.24. If any time the Supplier suspects or has any reason to believe that the Customer Data is corrupted, lost or sufficiently degraded in any way, then the Supplier must notify the Customer immediately. This notification must contain information detailing the remedial action the Supplier proposes to take.

#### **Publicity and Branding**

- 29.25. The Supplier may not make any press announcements or publicise this Contract or use the Customer's name or brand in any promotion or marketing or announcement of orders without Approval from the Customer.
- 29.26. The Supplier will seek the Customer's Approval before marketing their involvement in any Deliverable or draft Deliverable or entering into any industry awards or competition which will involve the disclosure of all or any part of any Deliverable or draft Deliverable.

**30. RETENTION AND SET OFF**

- 30.1. If the Supplier owes the Customer any money, the Customer may retain or set off this money against any amount owed to the Supplier under this Contract or any other agreement between the Supplier and the Customer. In order to exercise this right, the Customer will, within thirty (30) days of receipt of the relevant invoice, notify the Supplier of its reasons for retaining or setting off the relevant Contract Charges.
- 30.2. The Supplier will make any payments due to the Customer without any deduction. Deductions, whether by way of set-off, counterclaim, discount, abatement or otherwise, are not permitted unless the Supplier has obtained a sealed court order requiring an amount equal to such deduction to be paid by the Customer.

**31. INCOME TAX AND NATIONAL INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS**

- 31.1. Where the Supplier or any Supplier personnel are liable to be taxed in the UK or to pay national insurance contributions in respect of consideration received under this Contract, the Supplier will:
- 31.1.1. comply with the Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003 and all other statutes and regulations relating to income tax, and the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 and all other statutes and regulations relating to national insurance contributions, and
  - 31.1.2. indemnify the Customer against any income tax, national insurance and social security contributions and any other liability, deduction, contribution, assessment or claim arising from or made in connection with the provision of the Project by the Supplier or any Supplier Personnel.
- 31.2. If any of the Supplier Personnel is a Worker as defined in Contract Schedule 1 (Definitions) who receives consideration relating to the Project, then, in addition to its obligations under Clause 31.1, the Supplier must ensure that its contract with the Worker contains the following requirements:
- 31.2.1. that the Customer may, at any time during the Term, request that the Worker provides information to demonstrate how the Worker complies with the requirements of Clause 31.1, or why those requirements do not apply to it. In such case, the Customer may specify the information which the Worker must provide and the period within which that information must be provided
  - 31.2.2. that the Worker's contract may be terminated at the Customer's request if:
    - a) the Worker fails to provide the information requested by the Customer within the time specified by the Customer under Clause 31.2.1 and/or
    - b) the Worker provides information which the Customer considers is inadequate to demonstrate how the Worker complies with Clause 31.2.1, or confirms that the Worker is not complying with those requirements



- 31.2.3. that the Customer may supply any information it receives from the Worker to HMRC for the purpose of the collection and management of revenue for which they are responsible.

## **32. PREVENTION OF FRAUD AND BRIBERY**

- 32.1. The Supplier represents and warrants that neither it, nor to the best of its knowledge any of its staff or Sub-Contractors, have at any time prior to the Effective Date:
  - 32.1.1. committed a Prohibited Act or been formally notified that it is subject to an investigation or prosecution which relates to an alleged Prohibited Act; or
  - 32.1.2. been listed by any government department or Supplier as being debarred, suspended, proposed for suspension or debarment, or otherwise ineligible for participation in government procurement programmes or contracts on the grounds of a Prohibited Act.
- 32.2. The Supplier must not:
  - 32.2.1. commit a Prohibited Act; or
  - 32.2.2. do or suffer anything to be done which would cause the Customer or any of the Customer's employees, consultants, contractors, sub- contractors or agents to contravene any of the Relevant Requirements or otherwise incur any liability in relation to the Relevant Requirements.
- 32.3. The Supplier shall during the Term:
  - 32.3.1. establish, maintain and enforce, and require that its Sub-Contractors establish, maintain and enforce, policies and procedures which are adequate to ensure compliance with the Relevant Requirements and prevent the occurrence of a Prohibited Act;
  - 32.3.2. keep appropriate records of its compliance with its obligations under 32.3.1 and make such records available to the Customer on request;
  - 32.3.3. if so required by the Customer, within 20 days of the Effective Date, and annually thereafter, certify to the Customer in writing that the Supplier and all persons associated with it or its Sub-Contractors or other persons who are supplying the Project in connection with this Contract are compliant with the Relevant Requirements. The Supplier shall provide such supporting evidence of compliance as the Customer may reasonably request; and
- 32.4. have, maintain and (where appropriate) enforce an anti-bribery policy to prevent it and any Supplier staff or Sub-Contractors or any person acting on the Supplier's behalf from committing a Prohibited Act. This anti-bribery policy must be disclosed to the Customer on request.
- 32.5. The Supplier shall immediately notify the Customer in writing if it becomes aware of any breach of Clause 32.1, or has reason to believe that it has or any of the Supplier

staff or Sub-Contractors have:

- 32.5.1. been subject to an investigation or prosecution which relates to an alleged Prohibited Act;
  - 32.5.2. been listed by any government department or Supplier as being debarred, suspended, proposed for suspension or debarment, or otherwise ineligible for participation in government procurement programmes or contracts on the grounds of a Prohibited Act;
  - 32.5.3. received a request or demand for any undue financial or other advantage of any kind in connection with the performance of this Contract; or
  - 32.5.4. otherwise suspects that any person or Party directly or indirectly connected with this Contract has committed or attempted to commit a Prohibited Act.
- 32.6. If the Supplier makes a notification to the Customer under to Clause 32.5, the Supplier shall respond promptly to the Customer's enquiries, co-operate with any investigation, and allow the Customer to audit any books, records and/or any other relevant documentation in accordance with Clause 21 (Audit).
- 32.7. If the Supplier breaches Clause 32.5, the Customer may by notice:
- 32.7.1. require the Supplier to remove any Supplier Personnel whose acts or omissions have caused the Supplier's breach from any Project; or
  - 32.7.2. immediately terminate this Contract for material Default.
- 32.8. Any notice served by the Customer under Clause 32.5 shall set out:
- 32.8.1. the nature of the Prohibited Act;
  - 32.8.2. the identity of the Party who the Customer believes has committed the Prohibited Act;
  - 32.8.3. the action that the Customer has elected to take; and
  - 32.8.4. if relevant, the date on which this Contract shall terminate.

**33. GENERAL**

- 33.1. Each of the Parties represents and warrants to the other that it has full capacity and authority, and all necessary consents, licenses and permissions to enter into and perform
- 33.2. its obligations under this Contract, and that this Contract is executed by its duly authorised representative.
- 33.3. This Contract contains the whole agreement between the Parties and supersedes and replaces any prior written or oral agreements, representations or understandings between them. The Parties confirm that they have not entered into this Contract on the basis of any representation that is not expressly incorporated into this Contract.
- 33.4. Nothing in this Clause excludes liability for fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation.
- 33.5. Any entire or partial waiver or relaxation of any of the terms and conditions of this Contract will be valid only if it is communicated to the other Party in writing, and expressly stated to be a waiver. A waiver of any right or remedy arising from a particular breach of this Contract will not constitute a waiver of any right or remedy arising from any other breach of the same Contract.
- 33.6. This Contract does not constitute or imply any partnership, joint venture, Supplier, fiduciary relationship between the Parties other than the contractual relationship expressly provided for in this Contract. Neither Party has, or has represented, any authority to make any commitments on the other Party's behalf.
- 33.7. Unless expressly stated in this Contract, all remedies available to either Party for breach of this Contract are cumulative and may be exercised concurrently or separately. The exercise of one remedy does not mean it has been selected to the exclusion of other remedies.
- 33.8. If any provision of this Contract is prohibited by law or judged by a court to be unlawful, void or unenforceable, the provision will, to the extent required, be severed from this Contract. Any severance will not, so far as is possible, modify the remaining provisions. It will not in any way affect any other circumstances of or the validity or enforcement of this Contract.

**34. DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

- 34.1. The Parties shall resolve Disputes in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.
- 34.2. The Supplier shall continue to provide the Project in accordance with the terms of this Contract until a Dispute has been resolved.

**35. GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION**

- 35.1. This Agreement will be governed by the laws of England and Wales.
- 35.2. Each Party submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales and agrees that all disputes shall be conducted within England and Wales.

**36. Additional Clauses**

- 36.1. Where the Customer has so specified in the Letter of Appointment, the Supplier shall comply with the provisions of set out in Schedule 6 (Additional Clauses).

## SCHEDULE 1

### Definitions and Interpretation

#### 1. INTERPRETATION

- 1.1. In this Contract, any references to numbered Clauses and schedules refer to those within this Contract unless specifically stated otherwise. If there is any conflict between this Contract, the Letter of Appointment, the provisions of the DPS Agreement and the Statements of Work(s), the conflict shall be resolved in accordance with the following order of precedence:
  - 1.1.1. the Letter of Appointment (except the Supplier Proposal)
  - 1.1.2. the Statement of Work
  - 1.1.3. the Contract Terms
  - 1.1.4. the Supplier Proposal, and
- 1.2. The definitions and interpretations used in this Contract are set out in this Schedule 1 (Definitions).
- 1.3. Definitions which are relevant and used only within a particular Clause or Schedule are defined in that Clause or Schedule.
- 1.4. Unless the context otherwise requires:
  - 1.4.1. words importing the singular meaning include where the context so admits the plural meaning and vice versa
  - 1.4.2. words importing the masculine include the feminine and the neuter and vice versa
  - 1.4.3. the words 'include', 'includes' 'including' 'for example' and 'in particular' and words of similar effect will not limit the general effect of the words which precede them
  - 1.4.4. references to any person will include natural persons and partnerships, firms and other incorporated bodies and all other legal persons of whatever kind
  - 1.4.5. references to any statute, regulation or other similar instrument mean a reference to the statute, regulation or instrument as amended by any subsequent enactment, modification, order, regulation or instrument as subsequently amended or re-enacted
  - 1.4.6. headings are included in this Contract for ease of reference only and will not affect the interpretation or construction of this Contract
- 1.5. If a capitalised expression does not have an interpretation in Contract Schedule 1 (Definitions) or relevant Schedule, it shall have the meaning given to it in the DPS Agreement. If no meaning is given to it in the DPS Agreement, it shall be interpreted in accordance with the relevant market sector/ industry meaning. Otherwise it shall be interpreted in accordance with the dictionary.
- 1.6. In this contract the following terms have the following meaning:

<b>Agreement</b>	means this Contract;
<b>Approval</b>	means the Approval given in accordance with Clause 10.1 or 10.2 as the context requires and "Approve", "Approving" and "Approved" shall be construed accordingly.
<b>Affected Party</b>	means the Customer or the Supplier affected by the event
<b>Associates</b>	A Party's employees, officers, agents, sub-contractors or authorised representatives.
<b>Authorised Supplier Approver</b>	Any personnel of the Supplier who have the authority to contractually bind the Supplier in all matters relating to Contract. They must be named in the applicable Statement of Work, and the Customer must be notified if they change.
<b>Authorised Customer Approver</b>	Any personnel of the Customer who have the authority to contractually bind the Customer in all matters relating to this Contract. They must be named in the applicable Statement of Work, and the Supplier must be notified if they change.
<b>Contract</b>	This contract between the Customer and the Supplier (entered into under the provisions of the DPS Agreement), which consists of the terms set out in the Letter of Appointment, the Contract Terms, the Schedules and any Statement of Work.
<b>Contract Terms</b>	The terms and conditions set out in this Contract including this Schedule 1 but not including any other Schedules or Statement of Work.
<b>Central Government Body</b>	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: Government Department; Non- Departmental Public Body or Assembly Sponsored Public Body (advisory, executive, or tribunal); Non-Ministerial Department; or Executive Supplier.
<b>Change of Control</b>	Change of Control has the same meaning as in section 416 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.
<b>Customer Affiliates</b>	Any organisation associated with the Customer that will directly receive the benefit of the Project. Customer Affiliates must be named in a Statement of Work, or subsequently notified to the Supplier.
<b>Customer Project Specification</b>	The document containing the Customer's requirements issued either as part of the Call For Competition Process set out in Section 3 of the DPS Agreement or as set out in a Statement of Work from time to time.
<b>Customer Cause</b>	A situation where the Customer does not fulfil its obligations in connection with this Contract (including its payment obligations), and as a consequence the Supplier is prevented from performing any of the agreed Project.
<b>Customer Confidential Information</b>	All Customer Data and any information that the Customer or CCS gives to Agencies that is designated as being confidential, or which ought to be reasonably be considered to be confidential (whether or not it is marked "confidential"). This may include information, however conveyed, that is politically or security sensitive and/or relates to the Customer's business, affairs, developments, trade secrets, Know-How, personnel and suppliers.

<b>Customer Data</b>	Data, text, drawings, diagrams, images or sounds (together with any database made up of any of these), including any Customer's Confidential Information, supplied to the Supplier by or on behalf of the Customer, or which the Supplier is required to generate, process, store or transmit in connection this Contract, and any Personal Data for which the Customer is the Data Controller.
<b>Customer Materials</b>	Any Customer Data, Customer equipment, computer systems, software, documents, copy, Intellectual Property Rights, artwork, logos and any other materials or information owned by or licensed to the Customer which are provided to the Supplier or its Associates by or on behalf of the Customer.
<b>Contracting Body</b>	CCS, the Customer and any other bodies listed in the OJEU Notice.
<b>Contract Charges</b>	All charges payable by the Customer for the Project provided under this Contract calculated in accordance with DPS Schedule 3 (Charging Structure) and the Letter of Appointment including all Approved costs properly incurred by the Customer including but not limited to all Expenses, disbursement, taxes, sub-contractor or third party costs, and fees.
<b>Confidential Information</b>	The Customers Confidential Information and/or the Supplier Confidential Information.
<b>Contractor Personnel</b>	means all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and contractors of the Contractor and/or of any Sub-Contractor engaged in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.
<b>Controller, Processor, Data Subject, Personal Data, Personal Data Breach, Data Protection Officer</b>	The meaning given in the GDPR.
<b>Contract Year</b>	A consecutive 12- month period during the Term commencing on the Effective Date or each anniversary thereof.
<b>Data Loss Event</b>	any event that results, or may result, in unauthorised access to Personal Data held by the Contractor under this Agreement, and/or actual or potential loss and/or destruction of Personal Data in breach of this Agreement, including any Personal Data Breach.
<b>DPA 2018</b>	Data Protection Act 2018
<b>Data Protection Impact Assessment</b>	an assessment by the Controller of the impact of the envisaged processing on the protection of Personal Data.
<b>Data Subject Access Request</b>	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.
<b>Data Protection Legislation or DPA</b>	(i) the GDPR, the LED and any applicable national implementing Laws as amended from time to time (ii) the DPA 2018 [subject to Royal Assent] 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;
<b>Default</b>	Any breach of the obligations of the Supplier (including but not limited failing to provide any Deliverables by any date set out in the applicable Statement of Work (or any other deadline agreed by the Parties in writing), and abandonment of this Contract in breach of its terms) or any



	other default (including material Default), act, omission, negligence or statement of the Supplier, of its Sub-Contractors or any of its staff howsoever arising in connection with or in relation to the subject-matter of this Contract and in respect of which the Supplier is liable to the Customer.
<b>Deliverables</b>	The applied research services from Section 2 of the DPS Agreement that are to be provided as specified in a Statement of Work.
<b>Dispute</b>	Any dispute, difference or question of interpretation arising out of or in connection with this Contract, including any dispute, difference or question of interpretation relating to the Project, failure to agree in accordance with the Variation Procedure or any matter where this Contract directs the Parties to resolve an issue by reference to the Dispute Resolution Procedure.
<b>Dispute Resolution Procedure</b>	The dispute resolution procedure set out in Contract Schedule 4 (Dispute Resolution Procedure).
<b>DPS Agreement</b>	The DPS Agreement between CCS and the Supplier reference number: RM6018 referred to in the Letter of Appointment
<b>DPS</b>	Means the dynamic purchasing system established by CCS for the provision of Research Services which are to be provided by the Supplier under the DPS Agreement.
<b>Effective Date</b>	The date this Contract starts, as set out in the Letter of Appointment.
<b>Environmental Information Regulations or EIRs</b>	The Environmental Information Regulations 2004 together with any related guidance and/or codes of practice issued by the Information Commissioner or relevant Government department.
<b>Expenses</b>	Reasonable travelling, hotel, subsistence and other expenses incurred by the Supplier in connection with the supply Services of and Deliverables, provided that such Expenses have either received the Customers Approval or are in accordance with any expenses policies which have been supplied to the Supplier and set out in the agreed Statement of Work.
<b>Expiry Date</b>	The date this Contract ends, as set out in the Letter of Appointment.
<b>Extension Expiry Date</b>	The latest date this Contract can end, as set out in the Letter of Appointment.
<b>FOIA</b>	The Freedom of Information Act 2000 as amended from time to time 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.
<b>Force Majeure</b>	Means: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• acts, events, omissions, happenings or non-happenings beyond the reasonable control of the Affected Party</li> <li>• riots, war or armed conflict, acts of terrorism, nuclear, biological or chemical warfare</li> <li>• fire, flood, any disaster and any failure or shortage of power or fuel</li> <li>• an industrial dispute affecting a third party for which a substitute third party is not reasonably available but does</li> </ul>

	<p>not mean:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>any industrial dispute relating to the Supplier, its staff, or any other failure in the Supplier's (or a subcontractor's) supply chain</li> <li>any event or occurrence which is attributable to the wilful act, neglect or failure to take reasonable precautions against the event or occurrence by the Party concerned, and</li> </ul> <p>any failure of delay caused by a lack of funds</p>
<b>Further Competition Procedure</b>	The process of a Customer issuing a Project Specification and the Supplier submitting a proposal in response to such Project Specification, as set out in DPS Clause 3.10.
<b>GDPR</b>	Means the General Data Protection Regulation ( <i>Regulation (EU) 2016/679</i> )
<b>Good Industry Practice</b>	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.
<b>Guarantee</b>	A deed of guarantee that may be required under this Contract in favour of the Customer in the form set out in DPS Schedule 9 (Guarantee) granted pursuant to Clause 3 (Contract Guarantee).
<b>Guarantor</b>	The person, in the event that a Guarantee is required under this Contract, acceptable to the Customer to give a Guarantee.
<b>Impact Assessment</b>	The assessment to be carried out by a Party requesting a Variation in accordance with Clause 9.4.
<b>Information</b>	The same meaning given under section 84 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 as amended from time to time
<b>Insolvency Event</b>	<p>Means, in respect of the Supplier [or DPS Guarantor (as applicable)]:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a proposal is made for a voluntary arrangement within Part I of the Insolvency Act 1986; or</li> <li>a winding-up resolution is considered or passed (other than as part of, and exclusively for the purpose of, a bona fide reconstruction or amalgamation); or</li> <li>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</li> <li>a receiver, administrative receiver or similar officer is appointed over the whole or any part of its business or assets; or</li> <li>an application order 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</li> <li>it is or becomes insolvent within the meaning of section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986; or</li> <li>being a "small company" within the meaning of section 382(3) of the Companies Act 2006, a</li> </ol>

	<p>moratorium comes into force pursuant to Schedule A1 of the Insolvency Act 1986; or</p> <p>h) where the Supplier is an individual or partnership, any event analogous to these listed in this definition occurs in relation to that individual or partnership; or</p> <p>d) any event analogous to these listed in this definition occurs under the law of any other jurisdiction</p>
<b>Intellectual Property Rights or IPR</b>	<p>The following rights, wherever in the world enforceable, or such similar rights, which have equivalent effect, including all reversions and renewals and all applications for registration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• any patents or patent applications</li> <li>• any trade marks (whether or not registered)</li> <li>• inventions, discoveries, utility models and improvements whether or not capable of protection by patent or registration</li> <li>• copyright or design rights (whether registered or unregistered)</li> <li>• database rights</li> <li>• performer's property rights as described in Part II of the Copyright Designs and Patents Act 1988 and any similar rights of performers anywhere in the world</li> <li>• any goodwill in any trade or service name, trading style or get-up and</li> <li>• any and all other intellectual or proprietary rights</li> </ul>
<b>Key Individuals</b>	Individuals named by the Supplier in the Letter or Appointment or Statement of Work as having a major responsibility for delivering the Project.
<b>Law</b>	means any law, subordinate legislation within the meaning of Section 21(1) of the Interpretation Act 1978, bye-law, enforceable right within the meaning of Section 2 of the European Communities Act 1972, regulation, order, regulatory policy, mandatory guidance or code of practice, judgment of a relevant court of law, or directives or requirements with which the Contractor is bound to comply;
<b>LCIA</b>	means London Court of International Arbitration
<b>LED</b>	means Law Enforcement Directive (Directive (EU) 2016/680)
<b>Letter of Appointment</b>	The Letter of Appointment, substantially in the form set out in DPS Schedule 4, signed by both Parties and dated on the Effective Date.
<b>Losses</b>	Any losses, damages, liabilities, claims, demands, actions, penalties, fines, awards, costs and expenses (including reasonable legal and other professional expenses) to either Party subject to Clause 18.1 and 18.2.
<b>Malicious Software</b>	Any software program or code intended to destroy, interfere with, corrupt, or cause undesired effects on program files, data or other information, executable code or application software macros, whether or not its operation is immediate or delayed, and whether the malicious software is introduced willfully, negligently or without knowledge of its existence.
<b>Materials</b>	Any questionnaires, discussion guides, transcripts, tables, data files, reports, pre-notifications, stimulus materials or any other material protected by Intellectual Property Rights

	or produced as part of a Project.
<b>Moral Rights</b>	All rights described in Part I, Chapter IV of the Copyright Designs and Patents act 1988 and any similar rights of authors anywhere in the world.
<b>New Expiry Date</b>	Has the meaning given to it in Clause 2.3
<b>Party</b>	Means a Party to this Agreement.
<b>Personal Data</b>	Personal Data has the same meaning as set out in the Data Protection Act 2018
<b>Prohibited Act</b>	<p>To directly or indirectly offer, promise or give any person working for or engaged by a Customer or CCS a financial or other advantage to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>induce that person to perform improperly a relevant function or activity</li> <li>reward that person for improper performance of a relevant function or activity</li> <li>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 this Agreement;</li> <li>commit any offence: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>under the Bribery Act 2010 (or any legislation repealed or revoked by such Act); or</li> <li>under legislation or common law concerning fraudulent acts; or</li> <li>defrauding, attempting to defraud or conspiring to defraud the Customer ; or</li> <li>any activity, practice or conduct which would constitute one of the offences listed above if such activity, practice or conduct had been carried out in the UK;</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
<b>Project</b>	Any project(s) agreed between the Parties from time to time whereby the Supplier performs the Project which are the subject of this Contract and supplies Deliverables to the Customer as more fully described in the applicable Statement of Work;
<b>Project Commencement Date</b>	The date a Project will start, as set out in the relevant Statement of Work.
<b>Project Completion Date</b>	The date by which a Project is to be completed, as set out in the relevant Statement of Work.
<b>Project Notice Period</b>	The period of notice for cancellation of a Project as set out in the Statement of Work.
<b>Project Specific Materials</b>	<p>Means:</p> <p>Intellectual Property Rights in items created by the Supplier (or by a third party on behalf of the Supplier) specifically for the purposes of this Contract and updates and amendments of these items including (but not limited to) database schema; and/or</p> <p>Intellectual Property Rights in or arising as a result of the performance of the Supplier's obligations under this Contract and all updates and amendments to the same.</p>
<b>Project Term</b>	The period during which the Project for each Project will be provided as specified in the applicable Statement of Work.
<b>Protective Measures</b>	means 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 such measures adopted by it.
<b>Purchase Order Number</b>	The order number set out in the Letter of Appointment.
<b>Records</b>	The accounts and information maintained by the Supplier related to the operation and delivery of this Contract, including all expenditure which is reimbursable by the Customer, as are necessary for the provision of management information and to enable the Customer to conduct an audit as set out in Clause 21.
<b>Rectification Plan</b>	The rectification plan pursuant to the Rectification Plan Process.
<b>Rectification Plan Process</b>	The process set out in Clauses 5.8 to 5.14.
<b>Regulations</b>	The Public Contracts Regulations 2015.
<b>Relevant Requirements</b>	All applicable Law relating to bribery, corruption and fraud, including the Bribery Act 2010 and any guidance issued by the Secretary of State for Justice pursuant to section 9 of the Bribery Act 2010;
<b>Request for Information</b>	A request for information or an apparent request relating to this Contract or the provision of the Project or an apparent request for such information under the FOIA or the EIRs.
<b>Schedule</b>	Any Schedule attached to this Contract.
<b>Services</b>	The Project to be supplied by the Supplier under this Contract and in accordance with Section 2 of the DPS Agreement, as set out in the relevant Statement of Work. This includes the provision of Deliverables.
<b>Special Terms</b>	Any terms specifically designated as varying these Contract Terms or the terms of any schedule, as set out in the applicable Statement of Work.
<b>Standards</b>	Any: 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; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>standards detailed in the specification in DPS Section 2 (Services and Key Performance Indicators);</li> <li>standards detailed by the Customer in the Letter of Appointment and any Statement of Work or agreed between the Parties from time to time;</li> <li>relevant Government codes of practice and guidance applicable from time to time i.e. including but not limited to Market Research Society (MRS) Code of Conduct and Social Research Association (SRA).</li> </ul>
<b>Statement of Work</b>	One or more documents describing the relevant Project(s) as agreed and signed by the parties and which shall comprise both the Customer Project Specification and the Supplier's Proposal (whether agreed as part of a Call for Competition or during the Term of this Contract).
<b>Sub-Contract</b>	A contract entered into between the Supplier and a Sub-Contractor.
<b>Sub-Contractor</b>	Any person or Supplier appointed by the Supplier to provide elements of the Project on behalf of the Supplier to the Customer.



<b>Sub-Processor</b>	Means any third Party appointed to process Personal Data on behalf of the Contractor related to this Agreement
<b>Supplier Affiliate</b>	Any company, partnership or other entity which at any time directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by or is under common control with the Supplier, including as a subsidiary, parent or holding company.
<b>Supplier Confidential Information</b>	Any information that the Supplier gives to CCS or to Customer's that is designated as being confidential, or which ought to be reasonably be considered to be confidential (whether or not it is marked "confidential"). This may include information, however it is conveyed, that relates to the Supplier's business, affairs, developments, trade secrets, Know-How, personnel and suppliers including all Intellectual Property Rights.
<b>Supplier Materials</b>	Those Materials specifically created by any officers, employees, sub-contractors or freelancers of the Supplier for the purposes of a Project, whether or not these materials are incorporated into Deliverables during the Term. (Includes any Materials adapted, modified or derived from the Customer Materials).
<b>Supplier Proprietary Materials</b>	Software (including all programming code in object and source code form), methodology, know-how and processes and Materials in relation to which the Intellectual Property Rights are owned by (or licensed to) the Supplier and which: - were in existence prior to the date on which it is intended to use them for a Project, or are created by or for the Supplier outside of a Project and which are intended to be reused across its business
<b>Supplier Proposal</b>	The Supplier's solution in response to the Customer's Project Specification, as set out in the Letter of Appointment or in any Statement of Work.
<b>Tender</b>	The tender submitted by the Supplier in response to the Invitation to Tender.
<b>Term</b>	The period from the Effective Date to the earlier of: • the Expiry Date or New Expiry Date; and • any date of termination
<b>Territory</b>	The United Kingdom, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Statement of Work. Publication and marketing on globally accessible mediums such as the internet shall not mean that the Territory is deemed to be worldwide.
<b>Third Party Materials</b>	Any Materials used in the Deliverables which are either commissioned by the Supplier from third parties or which have already been created by a third party and the Supplier proposes to use. Excludes software which is owned or licensed by a third party.
<b>Transparency Principles</b>	The principles set out at <a href="http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/transparency-of-suppliers-and-government-to-the-public">www.gov.uk/government/publications/transparency-of-suppliers-and-government-to-the-public</a> detailing the requirement for the proactive release of contract information under the Government's transparency commitment.
<b>Transparency Reports</b>	The information relating to the Project and performance of this Contract which the Supplier is required to provide to the CCS in accordance with its reporting requirements.
<b>Variation</b>	A change in this Contract that is formally agreed by both Parties, as detailed in Clause 10.2.
<b>Variation Form</b>	The template form to process and record variations to this

	Contract as set out at Schedule 5.
<b>Worker</b>	Any Supplier personnel to whom the Customer considers Procurement Policy Note 08/15 (Tax Arrangements of Public Appointees) applies See <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policy-note-0815-tax-arrangements-of-appointees">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policy-note-0815-tax-arrangements-of-appointees</a>
<b>Working Day</b>	Any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in England and Wales.



## SCHEDULE 2

### Statement of Work

**This Statement of Work is issued under and in accordance with the Contract entered into between the parties dated Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> of February 2022**

<b>Project:</b>	PS21154 – Transforming UK Food Systems SPF Programme
<b>Project start Date</b>	The contract start date is Monday, 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2022
<b>Project end Date</b>	The contract end date is Tuesday, 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2026
<b>Notice period for cancellation</b>	30 days
<b>Services &amp; Deliverables:</b>	Full deliverables can be found in the Letter of Appointment Appendix A and Appendix B
<b>Contract Charges:</b>	The Customer shall pay the Supplier the sum of £609,945.00 for delivery of these Services. For the avoidance of doubt, the Contract Charges shall be inclusive of all third party costs. All charges shall be in alignment with the submitted price schedule located in Annex A to these contract terms.

**Special  
Terms**

There will be 3 break clauses in the contract at the end of phases 2,3 and 4 where UKRI will make a decision on the contract continuing. Bidders are required to cost each phase separately.

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Individuals :**

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Approver:**

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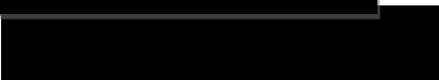
Signed by:.....

by (print name):

As Supplier Authorised Approver for and on behalf of **ICF Consulting Services Ltd**

Date:  .....

Signed by:.....

by (print name):

As Customer Authorised Approver for and on behalf of **UK Research and Innovation (UKRI)**

Date... .....

### SCHEDULE 3: STAFF TRANSFER

#### 1. DEFINITIONS

In this Contract Schedule 3, the following definitions shall apply:

<b>“Admission Agreement”</b>	The agreement to be entered into by which the Supplier agrees to participate in the Schemes as amended from time to time;
<b>“Eligible Employee”</b>	any Fair Deal Employee who at the relevant time is an eligible employee as defined in the Admission Agreement;
<b>“Employee Liabilities”</b>	<p>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 related to employment including in relation to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) redundancy payments including contractual or enhanced redundancy costs, termination costs and notice payments;</li> <li>(b) unfair, wrongful or constructive dismissal compensation;</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(d) compensation for less favourable treatment of part-time workers or fixed term employees;</li> <li>(e) outstanding employment debts and unlawful deduction of wages including any PAYE and national insurance contributions;</li> <li>(f) employment claims whether in tort, contract or statute or otherwise;</li> </ul> <p>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;</p>

“Fair Deal Employees”	those Transferring Customer Employees who are on the Relevant Transfer Date entitled to the protection of New Fair Deal and any Transferring Former Supplier Employees who originally transferred pursuant to a Relevant Transfer under the Employment Regulations (or the predecessor legislation to the Employment Regulations), from employment with a public sector employer and who were once eligible to participate in the Schemes and who at the Relevant Transfer Date become entitled to the protection of New Fair Deal;
“Former Supplier”	any Supplier supplying services to the Customer before the Relevant Transfer Date that are the same as or substantially similar to the Project (or any part of the Project) and shall include any sub-contractor of such Supplier (or any sub-contractor of any such sub-contractor);
“New Fair Deal”	the revised Fair Deal position set out in the HM Treasury guidance: <i>“Fair Deal for staff pensions: staff transfer from central government”</i> issued in October 2013;
“Notified Sub-Contractor”	a Sub-Contractor identified in the Annex to this Contract Schedule 3 to whom Transferring Customer Employees and/or Transferring Former Supplier Employees will transfer on a Relevant Transfer Date;
“Replacement Sub-Contractor”	a sub-contractor of the Replacement Supplier to whom Transferring Supplier Employees will transfer on a Service Transfer Date (or any sub-contractor of any such sub-contractor);
“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;
“Schemes”	the Principal Civil Service Pension Scheme available to employees of the civil service and employees of bodies under the Superannuation Act 1972, as governed by rules adopted by Parliament; the Partnership Pension Account and its (i) Ill health Benefits Scheme and (ii) Death Benefits Scheme; the Civil Service Additional Voluntary Contribution Scheme; and the 2015 New Scheme (with effect from a date to be notified to the Supplier by the Minister for the Cabinet Office);
“Service Transfer”	any transfer of the Project (or any part of the Project), for whatever reason, from the Supplier or any Sub-Contractor to a Replacement Supplier or a Replacement Sub-Contractor;
“Service Transfer Date”	the date of a Service Transfer;
“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 Customer may reasonably request (subject to all

applicable provisions of the DPA), but including in an anonymised format:

- (a) their ages, dates of commencement of employment or engagement and gender;
- (b) details of whether they are employed, self-employed contractors or consultants, Supplier 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 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 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 Personnel who will transfer under the Employment Regulations on the Relevant Transfer Date;

**"Supplier's Provisional Supplier Personnel List"**

a list prepared and updated by the Supplier of all Supplier Personnel who are engaged in or wholly or mainly assigned to the provision of the Project or any relevant part of the Project which it is envisaged as at the date of such list will no longer be provided by the Supplier;

**"Transferring Customer Employees"**

those employees of the Customer to whom the Employment Regulations will apply on the Relevant Transfer Date;

2. Where a provision in this Contract Schedule 3 imposes an obligation on the Supplier to provide an indemnity, undertaking or warranty, the Supplier shall procure that each of its Sub-Contractors shall comply with such obligation and provide such indemnity, undertaking or warranty to the Customer, Former Supplier, Replacement Supplier or Replacement Sub-Contractor, as the case may be.



## PART A

### TRANSFERRING CUSTOMER EMPLOYEES AT COMMENCEMENT OF SERVICES

#### 3. RELEVANT TRANSFERS

##### 3.1 The Customer and the Supplier agree that:

the commencement of the provision of the Project or of each relevant part of the Project will be a Relevant Transfer in relation to the Transferring Customer Employees; and

as a result of the operation of the Employment Regulations, the contracts of employment between the Customer and the Transferring Customer Employees (except in relation to any terms disapplied through operation of regulation 10(2) of the Employment Regulations) will have effect on and from the Relevant Transfer Date as if originally made between the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub-Contractor and each such Transferring Customer Employee.

3.2 The Customer shall comply with all its obligations under the Employment Regulations and shall perform and discharge all its obligations in respect of the Transferring Customer Employees in respect of the period arising up to (but not including) the Relevant 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 which in any case are attributable in whole or in part to the period up to (but not including) the Relevant Transfer Date) and any necessary apportionments in respect of any periodic payments shall be made between: (i) the Customer ; and (ii) the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub-Contractor (as appropriate).

#### 4. CUSTOMER INDEMNITIES

4.1 Subject to Paragraph 4.2, the Customer shall indemnify the Supplier and any Notified Sub-Contractor against any Employee Liabilities in respect of any Transferring Customer Employee (or, where applicable any employee representative as defined in the Employment Regulations) arising from or as a result of:

4.1.1 any act or omission by the Customer occurring before the Relevant Transfer Date;

4.1.2 the breach or non-observance by the Customer before the Relevant Transfer Date of:

a) any collective agreement applicable to the Transferring Customer Employees; and/or

b) any custom or practice in respect of any Transferring Customer Employees which the Customer is contractually bound to honour;

4.1.3 any claim by any trade union or other body or person representing the Transferring Customer Employees arising from or connected with any failure by the Customer to comply with any legal obligation to such trade union, body or person arising before the Relevant Transfer Date;

4.1.4 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 Customer Employee, to the extent that the proceeding, claim or demand by HMRC or other statutory authority

relates to financial obligations arising before the Relevant Transfer Date; and

- b) in relation to any employee who is not a Transferring Customer Employee 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 Customer to the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub-Contractor as appropriate, to the extent that the proceeding, claim or demand by the HMRC or other statutory authority relates to financial obligations arising before the Relevant Transfer Date.
- 4.1.5 a failure of the Customer 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 Customer Employees arising before the Relevant Transfer Date;
- 4.1.6 any claim made by or in respect of any person employed or formerly employed by the Customer other than a Transferring Customer Employee for whom it is alleged the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub-Contractor as appropriate may be liable by virtue of the Employment Regulations and/or the Acquired Rights Directive; and
- 4.1.7 any claim made by or in respect of a Transferring Customer Employee or any appropriate employee representative (as defined in the Employment Regulations) of any Transferring Customer Employee relating to any act or omission of the Customer 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 Supplier or any Sub-Contractor to comply with regulation 13(4) of the Employment Regulations.
- 4.2 The indemnities in Paragraph 4.1 shall not apply to the extent that the Employee Liabilities arise or are attributable to an act or omission of the Supplier or any Sub- Contractor (whether or not a Notified Sub-Contractor) whether occurring or having its origin before, on or after the Relevant Transfer Date including any Employee Liabilities:
  - 4.2.1 arising out of the resignation of any Transferring Customer Employee before the Relevant Transfer Date on account of substantial detrimental changes to his/her working conditions proposed by the Supplier and/or any Sub-Contractor to occur in the period from (and including) the Relevant Transfer Date; or
  - 4.2.2 arising from the failure by the Supplier or any Sub-Contractor to comply with its obligations under the Employment Regulations.
- 4.3 If any person who is not identified by the Customer as a Transferring Customer Employee claims, or it is determined in relation to any person who is not identified by the Customer as a Transferring Customer Employee, that his/her contract of employment has been transferred from the Customer to the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub- Contractor pursuant to the Employment Regulations or the Acquired Rights Directive then:
  - 4.3.1 the Supplier shall, or shall procure that the Notified Sub-Contractor shall, within 5 Working Days of becoming aware of that fact, give notice in writing to the Customer; and
  - 4.3.2 the Customer may offer (or may procure that a third party may offer) employment to such person within 15 Working Days of receipt of the notification by the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub-Contractor, or take such

other reasonable steps as the Customer considers appropriate to deal with the matter provided always that such steps are in compliance with Law.

- 4.4 If an offer referred to in Paragraph 4.3.2 is accepted, or if the situation has otherwise been resolved by the Customer, the Supplier shall, or shall procure that the Notified Sub-Contractor shall, immediately release the person from his/her employment or alleged employment.
- 4.5 If by the end of the 15 Working Day period specified in Paragraph 4.3.2:
  - 4.5.1 no such offer of employment has been made;
  - 4.5.2 such offer has been made but not accepted; or
  - 4.5.3 the situation has not otherwise been resolved,
  - 4.5.4 the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub-Contractor may within 5 Working Days give notice to terminate the employment or alleged employment of such person.
- 4.6 Subject to the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub-Contractor acting in accordance with the provisions of Paragraphs 4.3 to 4.5 and in accordance with all applicable proper employment procedures set out in applicable Law, the Customer shall indemnify the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub-Contractor (as appropriate) against all Employee Liabilities arising out of the termination pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 4.5 provided that the Supplier takes, or procures that the Notified Sub-Contractor takes, all reasonable steps to minimise any such Employee Liabilities.
- 4.7 The indemnity in Paragraph 4.6:
  - 4.7.1 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
      - 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 any Sub-Contractor; or
      - any claim that the termination of employment was unfair because the Supplier and/or Notified Sub-Contractor neglected to follow a fair dismissal procedure; and
    - b) shall apply only where the notification referred to in Paragraph 4.3.1 is made by the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub-Contractor (as appropriate) to the Customer within 6 months of the Contract Commencement Date.
- 4.8 If any such person as is referred to in Paragraph 4.3 is neither re-employed by the Customer nor dismissed by the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub-Contractor within the time scales set out in Paragraph 4.5 such person shall be treated as having transferred to the Supplier and/or any Notified Sub-Contractor and the Supplier shall, or shall procure that the Notified Sub-Contractor shall, comply with such obligations as may be imposed upon it under applicable Law.