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27 February 2024

Dear [REDACTED],

Freedom of Information request: FOI2024/00038

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 17 January, and clarification received on the 9 February, in which you requested the following:

Your request:

Please provide details of your annual training and development budget for 2022-2023 and 2023-2024.

Please confirm how much was spent on:

- 1. Health and Safety training and*
- 2. Environmental/Sustainability training*

Which courses were commissioned and in which format they were delivered (e-learning, blended learning, virtual classroom, face to face classroom).

If you used external providers for this training, please advise which provider was selected for each course and if these were ad hoc spend or was it under a tendered contract. If under tendered contract, when does this contract end?

Please also confirm the name and contact details of the person who is the budget holder for Health and Safety training and Environmental Sustainability training.

Please provide the information by email using the spreadsheet attached.

Clarification:

I would be interested in the centrally managed UKRI training budget specifically for

- 1. Health and Safety and also for*
- 2. Environmental Sustainability training.*

Our response:

I can confirm that UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) holds some information relevant to your request. Please see the information below and attached.

UKRI do not have a specific training budget allocation for Health and Safety or Environmental Sustainability training.

The details of Health and Safety and Environmental training courses provided by UKRI are listed in attachment "FOI2024_00038 Training Courses".

Besides the IMEA Foundation Certification in Environmental Management, the content for these topics is bespoke to UKRI and its sites. They are stored and accessed via a digital learning platform operated by Go1 UK Learning Limited. [This contract](#)¹ was renewed in February 2024 and is due to end in February 2026.

There are no per course or per person costs for the training that is provided as part of this system.

Specialist Health and Safety training courses, such as PPE and manual handling, or anything that is bespoke or site specific to a particular institute or research council are provided on an ad-hoc basis, as needs are identified.

We are exempting the name and contact details of individuals responsible for Health and Safety and Environmental training under section 40(2) of the FOIA. Disclosing this information would contravene the first Data Protection Principle as defined under Section 86 of the Data Protection Act 2018 and Article 5 of UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR).

Section 40(2) is an absolute exemption and does not require a public interest test.

If you have any queries regarding our response or you are unhappy with the outcome of your request and wish to seek an internal review of the decision, please contact within the next 40 working days:

Head of Information Governance


Email: foi@ukri.org

Please quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are still not content with the outcome of the internal review, you may apply to refer the matter to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the review procedure provided by UKRI. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: www.ico.org.uk.

If you wish to raise a complaint regarding the service you have received or the conduct of any UKRI staff in relation to your request, please see UKRI's complaints policy: <https://www.ukri.org/about-us/policies-and-standards/complaints-policy/>

Yours sincerely,


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¹ <https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/notice/ad299386-169f-4aae-aa15-c8d067f26028>