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6 October 2022

Dear [REDACTED],

Freedom of Information request: FOI2022/00302

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 20 September in which you requested the following:

Your request:

I am doing a research project investigating call-off contracts in the public sector. I have identified some potential call-off contracts awarded by UK Research & Innovation, but I can't find details of the framework agreements they were awarded from.

I have attached an Excel file that contains the information I am looking at. The last two columns ("Title of framework used" and "Contracts Finder or TED link of framework agreement") is where I am missing information - please could you fill these in.

Please note that I have identified these contracts as possible call-off contracts, so some of them might not be. Some could be, for instance, procured directly (without being called off from a framework agreement), or could be themselves notices of the establishment of a framework agreement. Therefore I would kindly ask you to specify in these incidences what kind of procurement was used in the "Title of framework used" column.

I have provided the title, description, details of the email contact from the notice, the publication date, and procedure type used to award each potential call-off, as well as a URL link to the call-off in question and a unique reference ID for each potential call-off. Please let me know if there is anything else you need to complete the request.

If you do not feel like this request could be completed in good time, please could you work down the list and do as much of a subset as you can?

Our response:

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

None of the contracts you have requested information on were purchased via a framework.

The UKSBS contract '[PS22043 NEC 4 Project Manager and Supervisor Services](#)¹' states on the award notice that the procedure type is 'Call-off from a framework agreement'. This was miscategorised and was a variation to a below threshold competitive procedure.

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:

¹ <https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/6d566990-da2a-4f2b-8fe0-b95689726f57>
UK Research and Innovation, Polaris House, North Star Avenue, Swindon SN2 1FL

Head of Information Governance


Email: foi@ukri.org or infogovernance@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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