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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 15th September 2022 requesting the following information:

I would like to make a freedom of information 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 the UK Hydrographic Office, 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.

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

A search for the information has now been completed within the UKHO, and I can confirm that all the information in scope of your request is held.

The information you have requested can be found attached at annex A but I can advise that some of the information in scope of your request falls entirely within the scope of the exemption provided for at Sections 40 (Personal Data) of the FOIA and has been redacted. Section 40(2) has been applied to some of the information in order to protect personal information as governed by the Data Protection Act 2018. Section 40(2) requires the Department to conduct a balancing exercise, this exercise involves balancing the rights and interests of individuals against the legitimate interests in disclosure, this is not the same as carrying out the public interest test associated with certain exemptions in FOIA. The balancing exercise is carried out in order to decide whether the absolute exemption in section 40(2) is engaged. In particular, there is no assumption of disclosure in the

legitimate interests test, as there is with qualified exemptions. The outcome of the balancing exercise lay in withholding the third-party personal data identified in the attached information.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <http://www.ico.org.uk>.

Yours sincerely,

UKHO Secretariat

reference

bbd7d4a0-a267-4f03-8d64-942bb90fe3e5_award

97eed438-95b2-48af-900c-a7a5f96f8e83_award

33fe23e7-f972-4bbd-8235-9b6bb564fbaa_award

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title

ARA Brief 2022

Event Managment at Posidonia 2022

Strategic Governance Support 2022

Supply and Storage of Collateral and Merchandise

description

ARA Brief 2022

Provision of Event Management services

Provision of Governance Support

Storage and Merchandise

url

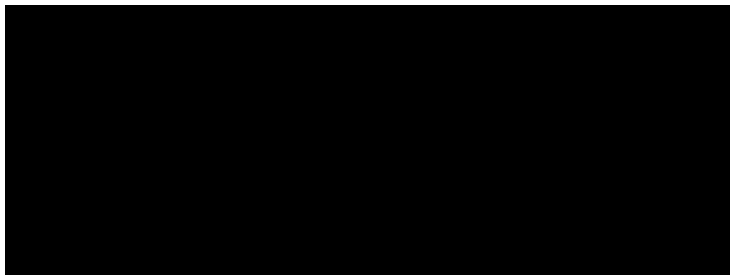
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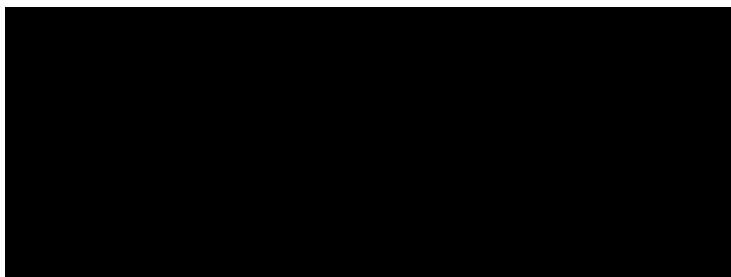
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<https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/068d0d01-3c83-44d4-a5c1-4bf28c3b34ca>

name



email



title of framework used

UKHO Framework - Marketing Expertise lot 1

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Print Management Services - CCS Framework RM 6170

contract finder or TED link of framework used (if applicable)

<https://ted.europa.eu/udl?uri=TED:NOTICE:218508-2020:TEXT:EN:HTML>

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