

The UK Atomic Energy Authority's mission is to lead the delivery of sustainable fusion energy and maximise scientific and economic benefit



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UKAEA is one of the world's leading fusion research laboratories, where our scientists and engineers are working with partners around the globe to develop fusion as a new source of cleaner energy for tomorrow's power stations. We are at the forefront of delivering fusion energy – a sustainable low carbon energy source that could change the world.

Fusion is based on the same processes that powers the stars. In the face of a changing climate and dwindling fossil fuel reserves, fusion offers the potential for a safe, abundant, low carbon, reliable baseload energy supply.

With our partners from industry and academia we will all support UKAEA's mission through:



**COMMITMENT**



**PERFORMANCE**



**OPENNESS & TRANSPARENCY**

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# Supply chain charter





## COMMITMENT

### Social value

- ▶ Improve social value offer and support small and medium enterprises, to enable economic growth and facilitate new high-tech jobs in UK industry.
- ▶ Understand partners need to invest in skills and future technologies to meet the challenge of delivering sustainable fusion energy.
- ▶ Work together to eliminate any activity that is connected to modern slavery or human trafficking.

### Environmental sustainability

- ▶ Encourage supply chain partners to minimise environmental impacts.
- ▶ Compliance with UKAEA Sustainability Strategy.



## PERFORMANCE

### Meet obligations

- ▶ Promote and lead by example the safe delivery of work at agreed cost, timing, and quality.
- ▶ Meet UKAEA's health, safety, environmental standards, and regulatory obligations.
- ▶ Demonstrate the highest professional Government Commercial Operating Standards in the award and management of contracts.
- ▶ Provide clear specifications that encourage innovation and use of industry standards.
- ▶ Always comply with UKAEA Anti Bribery and Corruption policy.

### Responsible management of public funds

- ▶ Control bidding process to avoid / minimise unnecessary time and cost.
- ▶ Achieve value for money, developing and delivering whole-life solutions within affordability criteria.

### Safety

- ▶ Promote and lead by example the safe delivery of work.



## OPENNESS & TRANSPARENCY

### Equality of opportunity

- ▶ Champion a culture where quality, inclusion, and diversity are valued and harnessed throughout the supply chain.
- ▶ Always share bid evaluation criteria through the tender process and provide prompt, clear and concise feedback.
- ▶ Provide regular procurement plans available to supply chain

### Working with business

- ▶ Work collaboratively with partners and establish working relationships based on trust, honesty, and integrity.
- ▶ Prompt payment for work delivered to acceptable standards.
- ▶ Learn from our mistakes and resolve issues together, openly and before they become problems.
- ▶ Don't cut corners or hide facts, share information and jointly agree solutions.
- ▶ Be open to innovation and new ways of thinking that will maximise safe performance.
- ▶ Always treat each other honestly, with openness and courtesy.

The **five interconnected strategic goals** to deliver on this mission are:



Solve challenges of sustainable fusion energy - from design through to decommissioning - with world-leading science and engineering.



Enable partners to design, deliver, and operate commercial fusion power plants.



Drive UK economic growth and a thriving industry that exports fusion technology around the world.



Create clusters that accelerate innovation in fusion and related technologies.



Develop the talented, diverse people needed to deliver fusion energy.