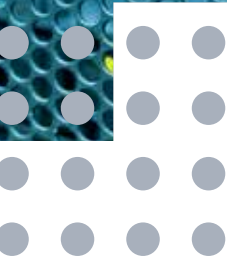




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# WHAT is the OCRE IaaS+ Framework

A framework of 473 commercial cloud contracts covering 40 European countries to ease access and provide volume discounts to research and education institutions.

# WHY use the OCRE IaaS+ Framework

## Crazy not to...

- ➔ No institutional tender required (reseller competition complete)
- ➔ Significant discounts (pan-European aggregation and economy of scale)
- ➔ Advantageous terms & conditions (stated in the Framework- and Call-off Contract)

## Compliance

- ➔ Compliance with all relevant EU Regulations (Procurement, VAT, GDPR etc.)
- ➔ Call-off Contract with supplier is under local laws
- ➔ Local in-country platform support and call-off

## Networks

- ➔ Supplier peering POPs on GÉANT network
- ➔ Significant data ingress/egress waivers in place

## Community support

- ➔ 3 annual supplier workshop commitment from all platforms
- ➔ Additional discounting
- ➔ GÉANT WP4/Contract Management support
  - ➔ Regional/National uptake reporting

## Trust, Identity and Security

- ➔ All platforms support SAML2/OIDC protocol
- ➔ eduGAIN onboarding (GÉANT federation)



## See which platforms are available in your country now:

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# HOW to use the OCRE IaaS+ Framework

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## 01

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## 02

**DEFINE** your workload requirements

## 03

**SELECT** your procurement option from:

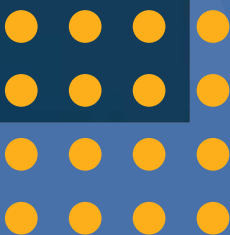
- DIRECT AWARD** – when already working on a specific platform and if standardised on that specific platform; only one supplier of a specific solution available; Intellectual property justification
- MINI DESKTOP COMPETITION** – Use tool (excel sheet) in infopack to reapply initial ITT award criteria scores based on your specific requirements
- MINI COMPETITION** – Create your own competition within the Framework and invite all OCRE suppliers in your lot / country (see catalogue) to provide proposals based on your awarding criteria. Evaluate - score- award; and sign the Call-off Contract after standstill.

## 04

**PREPARE** the service order

## 05

**CONSUME THE SERVICE**



## FAQS OCRE IaaS+ Framework

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### Legitimacy

- Framework ITT followed all guiding principles of the EU tendering law procured under Dutch tendering law
- Competition between resellers per lot settled within the Framework Contract (complete)
- Call-off Contract between institute and supplier governed by local law
- Call-off Contracts as result of a mini-(desktop) competition or direct award between reseller and institute
- Institutions responsible for scoring and awarding decisions
- Direct award possible within conditions

#### Security

- Supplier SOCs (Security Operations) – unprecedented threat surveillance and response!

#### NREN support

- The NREN may claim costs of up to 5% from the supplier depending on the extent to which they provide procurement support as a referrer

#### Non-EU Countries

- Fundamentally harmonised procurement regulations across Europe
- Procurements using the OCRE Framework may require additional work like publication and stand-still on national procurement platforms
- OCRE team provides procurement support for all!



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