

2024 Procurement And Engagement Timetable

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Introduction

This document details National Grid's planned procurement dates for the provision of electricity distribution flexibility services and the formal engagement National Grid will conduct to support its procurement activities.

About Our Procurement Activities

National Grid facilitates its procurement activity through its online portal, [Market Gateway](#). Flexibility Service Providers (FSPs) seeking an award to deliver flexibility services should register on the Market Gateway and complete the pre-qualification requirements to enable their eligibility to enter into flexibility Trades. Pre-qualification is always open and can be completed at any time. Further Guidance on this process is available [here](#).

About Our Engagement Activities

In addition to our formal engagement activities, we are happy to engage with interested parties at any time, please email nged.flexiblepower@nationalgrid.co.uk. Where registration for engagement activities are TBC, we will update this document and our [events page](#) as early as possible after these are known.

Timetable Modifications

We reserve the right to amend, add or remove procurement and engagement activities at any time and will update this document accordingly. Further procurement dates will be added when this document is updated in Q4 2024. To receive direct updates on our flexibility programme and associated activities, Contact us [here](#)

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Procurement Activities		Engagement Activities	
Market Development			
Summer '24	Market Gateway Feature Launch – Improved Trade Functionality	28 th Mar	Electricity Futures Event in London. Registration TBC
		Oct-Dec	Flexibility Evolution document publication and Consultation
Short Term Trade Cycle			
Short Term Trades will occur on an ongoing weekly basis			
Flexibility locations and requirements for Short Term flexibility services are published on our Connected Data Portal		You can watch a recording of our recent webinar providing more info on Short Term Trades here . Passcode 1Oh\$37=!	
Every Thursday From midday	Short Term Trade Opportunities for FSPs open for bids		
Every Tuesday By midnight	Deadline for Trade Responses		
Every Thursday By midday	Trade Awards announced for delivery from the next Monday		
Long Term Trades Summer 2024 and Winter 2024/2025 & LV Sustain Winter 2024/2025			
4 th Sep	Publish flexibility locations and requirements for; - Long Term Dynamic - Long Term Secure - Sustain - Restore to the Connected Data Portal		
15 th Jan	Trade Opportunities for FSPs open on the Market Gateway	18 th Jan	On Track to Trade – Webinar. Register here
23 rd Feb	Deadline for Trade Responses. Launch date +6 weeks.	15 th Jan – 22 nd Feb	On Track to Trade – Surgeries. Request an appointment
22 nd Mar	Trade Awards announced. Deadline date +4 weeks.	28 th Mar	Service Provider feedback questionnaire

Aug Date TBC	Publish flexibility locations and requirements for; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Long Term Dynamic - Long Term Secure - Sustain - Restore to the Connected Data Portal		
Sep Date TBC	Trade Opportunities for FSPs open on the Market Gateway.	Sep Date TBC	On Track to Trade – Webinar. Details to TBC
Oct Date TBC	Deadline for Trade Responses. Launch date +6 weeks.	Date TBC	On Track to Trade – Surgeries. Request an appointment
Dec Date TBC	Trade Awards announced. Deadline date +6 weeks.	Oct-Nov	Service Provider feedback questionnaire.

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