

Research, Pilot and Innovation Register

Public sector organisations looking to innovate can sometimes carry out trials and pilots that may not have been subject to a formal procurement.

You are encouraged to add information on any research and development (R&D) work or innovative projects being undertaken in the Research, Pilot and Innovation Register in [Public Contracts Scotland](#) (PCS).

This will provide visibility of innovation projects to:

- understand projects that are underway or being planned. This information could potentially give public sector bodies a more effective route to market if something is already being developed
- provide improved governance on what projects are underway, what their status is and support smarter decision making on these activities
- reduce possible duplication and overlap of innovation activities
- provide collaborative opportunities with other public sector buyers
- provide additional reports on innovation activity

You are asked to update the register at regular intervals, under guidance from your public sector organisation's local governance arrangements.

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