



# G-Cloud 14

SFIA Rate Card – May 2024

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	Strategy & Architecture	Change & Transformation	Development & Implementation	Delivery and Operation	Skills & Quality	Relationships & Engagement
1. Follow	N/A	£950	£950	£950	£950	£950
2. Assist	N/A	£900	£950	£950	£950	£950
3. Apply	N/A	£950	£950	£950	£950	£950
4. Enable	N/A	£1250	£1250	£1250	£1250	£1250
5. Ensure/Advise	£1250 - £1550	£1250 - £1550	£1250 - £1550	£1250 - £1550	£1250 - £1550	£1250 - £1550
6. Initiate/Influence	£1550 - £1750	£1550 - £1750	£1550 - £1750	£1550 - £1750	£1550 - £1750	£1550 - £1750
7. Set Strategy/Inspire	£1750 - £1950	£1750 - £1950	£1750 - £1950	£1750 - £1950	£1750 - £1950	£1750 - £1950

## Standards for Consultancy Day Rate cards

- The rates are exclusive of VAT and expenses
- Consultant's Working Day – 8 hours exclusive of travel and lunch.
- Working Week – Monday to Friday excluding national holidays
- Office Hours - 08:00 – 18:00 Monday to Friday
- Professional Indemnity Insurance – included in day rate.

# Level Definitions

	Autonomy	Influence	Complexity	Business Skills
1. Follow	Works under supervision. Uses little discretion. Is expected to seek guidance in unexpected situations.	Minimal influence. May work alone, or interact with immediate colleagues.	Performs routine activities in a structured environment. Requires assistance in resolving unexpected problems.	Uses basic information systems and technology functions, applications, and processes. Demonstrates an organised approach to work. Learns new skills and applies newly acquired knowledge. Follows code of conduct, ethics and organisational standards. Is aware of health and safety issues. Has sufficient communication skills for effective dialogue with others. Contributes to identifying own development opportunities.
2. Assist	Works under routine direction. Uses limited discretion in resolving issues or enquiries. Works without frequent reference to others.	Interacts with and may influence immediate colleagues. May have some external contact with customers, suppliers and partners. May have more influence in own domain.	Performs a range of work activities in varied environments. May contribute to routine issue resolution.	Understands and uses appropriate methods, tools and applications. Demonstrates a rational and organised approach to work. Identifies and negotiates own development opportunities. Has sufficient communication skills for effective dialogue with customers, suppliers and partners. Is able to work in a team. Is able to plan, schedule and monitor own work within short time horizons. Absorbs new information when it is presented systematically and applies it effectively.

# Level Definitions

	Autonomy	Influence	Complexity	Business Skills
3. Apply	Works under general direction. Uses discretion in identifying and responding to complex issues and assignments. Usually receives specific instructions and has work reviewed at frequent milestones. Determines when issues should be escalated to a higher level.	Interacts with and influences colleagues. Has working level contact with customers, suppliers and partners. May supervise others or make decisions which impact the work assigned to individuals or phases of projects.	Performs a range of work, sometimes complex and non routine, in a variety of environments. Applies methodical approach to issue definition and resolution.	Demonstrates an analytical and systematic approach to issue resolution. Takes the initiative in identifying and negotiating appropriate personal development opportunities. Demonstrates effective communication skills. Contributes fully to the work of teams. Plans, schedules and monitors own work (and that of others where applicable) competently within limited deadlines and according to relevant legislation, standards and procedures. Appreciates the wider business context, and how own role relates to other roles and to the business of the employer or client.
4. Enable	Works under general direction within a clear framework of accountability. Exercises substantial personal responsibility and autonomy. Plans own work to meet given objectives and processes.	Influences customers, suppliers and partners at account level. May have some responsibility for the work of others and for the allocation of resources. Participates in external activities related to own specialism. Makes decisions which influence the success of projects and team objectives.	Work includes a broad range of complex technical or professional activities, in a variety of contexts. Investigates, defines and resolves complex issues.	Selects appropriately from applicable standards, methods, tools and applications. Communicates fluently, orally and in writing, and can present complex information to both technical and non-technical audiences. Facilitates collaboration between stakeholders who share common objectives. Plans, schedules and monitors work to meet time and quality targets. Rapidly absorbs new information and applies it effectively. Maintains an awareness of developing technologies and their application and takes some responsibility for driving own development.

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	Autonomy	Influence	Complexity	Business Skills
5. Ensure/Advise	Works under broad direction. Work is often self-initiated. Is fully responsible for meeting allocated technical and/or project/supervisory objectives. Establishes milestones and has a significant role in the assignment of tasks and/or responsibilities.	Influences organisation, customers, suppliers, partners and peers on the contribution of own specialism. Builds appropriate and effective business relationships. Makes decisions which impact the success of assigned work, i.e. results, deadlines and budget. Has significant influence over the allocation and management of resources appropriate to given assignments.	Performs an extensive range and variety of complex technical and/or professional work activities. Undertakes work which requires the application of fundamental principles in a wide and often unpredictable range of contexts. Understands the relationship between own specialism and wider customer/organisational requirements.	Advises on the available standards, methods, tools and applications relevant to own specialism and can make appropriate choices from alternatives. Analyses, designs, plans, executes and evaluates work to time, cost and quality targets. Assesses and evaluates risk. Communicates effectively, both formally and informally. Demonstrates leadership. Facilitates collaboration between stakeholders who have diverse objectives. Takes all requirements into account when making proposals. Takes initiative to keep skills up to date. Mentors colleagues. Maintains an awareness of developments in the industry. Analyses requirements and advises on scope and options for continuous operational improvement. Demonstrates creativity, innovation and ethical thinking in applying solutions for the benefit of the customer/stakeholder.

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	Autonomy	Influence	Complexity	Business Skills
6. Initiate/Influence	Has defined authority and accountability for actions and decisions within a significant area of work, including technical, financial and quality aspects. Establishes organisational objectives and assigns responsibilities.	Influences policy and strategy formation. Initiates influential relationships with internal and external customers, suppliers and partners at senior management level, including industry leaders. Makes decisions which impact the work of employing organisations, achievement of organisational objectives and financial performance.	Has a broad business understanding and deep understanding of own specialism(s). Performs highly complex work activities covering technical, financial and quality aspects. Contributes to the implementation of policy and strategy. Creatively applies a wide range of technical and/or management principles.	Absorbs complex information and communicates effectively at all levels to both technical and non-technical audiences. Manages and mitigates risk. Understands the implications of new technologies. Demonstrates clear leadership. Understands and communicates industry developments, and the role and impact of technology in the employing organisation. Promotes compliance with relevant legislation. Takes the initiative to keep both own and colleagues' skills up to date.
7. Set Strategy/Inspire	At the highest organisational level, has authority over all aspects of a significant area of work, including policy formation and application. Is fully accountable for actions taken and decisions made, both by self and others to whom responsibilities have been assigned.	Makes decisions critical to organisational success. Inspires the organisation, and influences developments within the industry at the highest levels. Advances the knowledge and/or exploitation of technology within one or more organisations. Develops long-term strategic relationships with customers, partners, industry leaders and government.	Leads on the formulation and implementation of strategy. Applies the highest level of leadership skills. Has a deep understanding of the industry and the implications of emerging technologies for the wider business environment.	Has a full range of strategic management and leadership skills. Understands, explains and presents complex ideas to audiences at all levels in a persuasive and convincing manner. Has a broad and deep business knowledge, including the activities and practices of other organisations. Communicates the potential impact of emerging practices and technologies on organisations and individuals and assesses the risks of using or not using such practices and technologies. Assesses the impact of legislation, and actively promotes compliance. Ensures that the organisation develops and mobilises the full range of required digital skills and capabilities.



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