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## **Procurement of Classification, Survey and Design Appraisal Services to support the Future In Service Support (FISS) requirement**

Ministry of Defence

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

#### **Email**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://des.mod.uk/>

#### **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

#### **I.5) Main activity**

Defence

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Procurement of Classification, Survey and Design Appraisal Services to support the Future In Service Support (FISS) requirement

Reference number

713713451

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 72330000 - Content or data standardization and classification services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

The Ministry of Defence intends to enter into a services contract with Lloyd's Register Group Limited for the provision of Classification, Survey and Design Appraisal Services to support the Future In Service Support (FISS) requirement.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £6,000,000

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Classification, Survey and Design Appraisal Services to support the FISS requirement for Royal Fleet Auxiliary Vessels.

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

2 additional option years

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

Lloyd's Register is the only Classification society, for the Royal Fleet Auxiliary (RFA) vessels, that have delegated authority from the DE&S Naval Authority Group for issuing Naval Ship Stability Certification on their behalf.

In accordance with regulation 4 of The Defence and Security Public Contracts (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (SI 2019/697) this procurement falls to be regulated under the provisions of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 (DSPCR) as amended (in particular by SI 2019/697 and SI 2020/1450). Prior publication of a contract notice in the Official Journal of the European Union is no longer appropriate. It is considered that the award of the contract, without prior publication of a contract notice in the UK e-notification service (as required by the relevant legislation) is lawful in accordance with regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the DSPCR as the continued in-service support services cannot for technical reasons be carried out by a different supplier due to the mandatory statutory, regulatory and MOD standards required whilst ensuring on-going operability.

#### IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## Section V. Award of contract/concession

### Contract No

713713451

### Title

Classification, Survey and Design Appraisal Services to support the Future In Service Support (FISS) requirement

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## **V.2) Award of contract/concession**

### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

8 January 2025

### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

Lloyd's Register Group Limited

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

National registration number

08126909

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

### **V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £6,000,000

### **V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The MOD intends to award a Contract for the provision of Classification, Survey and Design Appraisal Services to support the FISS requirement for Royal Fleet Auxiliary Vessels to Lloyd's Register Group Limited ("Lloyd's Register") for 5 years with 2 option years to extend to ensure the continued provision of in-service support. The estimated value of the Contract will be £4,200,000 excluding option years (£6,000,000 including option years).

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

DE&S

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom