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Planning

Electronic Warfare Countermeasures Increment 1a

Ministry of Defence

F16: Prior information notice for contracts in the field of defence and security

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name, addresses and contact point(s)

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For the attention of

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Internet address(es)

General address of the contracting authority/entity

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

Further information

Further information can be obtained from the above mentioned contact point(s)

I.2) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions

I.3) Main activity

Defence

I.4) Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities/entities

The contracting authority/entity is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities/entities:

No

Section II: Object

II.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority/entity:

Electronic Warfare Countermeasures Increment 1a

II.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance

Supplies

Service category No 3: Defence services, military defence services and civil defence services

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

II.3) Information on framework agreement

The notice involves the establishment of a framework agreement: No

II.4) Short description of nature and scope of works or nature and quantity or value of supplies or services

This PIN is for the Electronic Warfare Countermeasures (EWCM) project, which forms part of the MEWP Programme.

The purpose of this PIN is to invite potential suppliers to a period of market engagement prior to the commencement of a future competition for the requirement.

The aim of the market engagement is for the Authority to share key elements of the EWCM programme on a technical and commercial basis. The Authority intends to use the feedback from the market engagement to further confirm our requirements and understand the cost and time drivers. Following completion of the period of market engagement the Authority intends to commence a competitive procurement.

As part of this market engagement the Authority intends to share the following documents with interested participants. The Authority believes that in order to deliver the capability required and to participate in market engagement the required scheduled technology offered should be at a current TRL level of 6 and above:

- Market engagement paper containing question sets on key elements of the EWCM Programme, to be responded to in writing by industry;
- DRAFT Indicative High Level Timeline;
- DRAFT Systems Requirements Document;
- DRAFT Platform Constraints Document; and
- DRAFT Security Aspects Letter

Suppliers who are interested in participating in the market engagement and receiving the above documents should write to Thomas Morgan at Thomas.Morgan120@mod.gov.uk to confirm their interest and to request further instruction. Due to the security classification of this requirement, the Authority can only share documents with suppliers that have a UK postal address or who have access to the MOD's Restricted LAN Interconnect (RLI) network. Furthermore, supplier's personnel engaged and working on this market engagement and who have access to this documentation must provide prior written confirmation to the Authority by their HR or security controller that where Security Check (SC) clearance is not held, a Baseline Personnel Security Standard (BPSS) check has been undertaken. Prior to receiving the above documents, the Authority will require

interested suppliers to sign a two-way Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA), the baseline form of which will be issued to you following your written expression of interest.

To allow for checks to take place you must provide the following information:

a) your company name; and

b) two (2) points of contact providing for each:

- Full name
- Date of birth
- Phone Number
- Nationality
- Email Address
- UK Postal address
- RLI email address if available
- Security clearance details (HR/Security controller point of contact).

The deadline for expressions to participate is 27th January 2022. Any expression of interest received after this time may be rejected at the Authority's sole discretion.

Indicative market engagement timeline:

Completion Date Activity

01/02/22 Responses back from Industry and NDAs signed

02/02/22 Authority release RFI

01/03/22 Industry review and submit responses

08/03/22 F2F meetings with industry completed

15/03/22 Authority review of responses complete

Additional Information: Suppliers interested in working with the Ministry of Defence should register on the MOD Supplier Information Database (SID) Register, available at

www.contracts.mod.uk. The MOD SID is a database of active and potential suppliers available to all MOD and UK Defence procurement personnel, and is the main supplier database of MOD Procurement organisations. Please note: the registration and publication of a company profile on the MOD SID does not mean or imply that the supplier has in any way been vetted or approved by the MOD. Suppliers wishing to compete for advertised MOD contracts must respond to any specific call for competition by submitting a separate expression of interest in accordance with the instructions of the purchasing organisation.

The Authority reserves the right to amend any condition related to security of information to reflect any changes in national law or government policy. If any contract documents are accompanied by instructions on safeguarding classified information (e.g. a Security Aspects Letter), the Authority reserves the right to amend the terms of these instructions to reflect any changes in national law or government policy, whether in respect of the applicable protective marking scheme, specific protective markings given, the aspects to which any protective marking applies, or otherwise.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government-security-classifications>

Estimated value excluding VAT

Range: between £100,000,000 and £250,000,000

Lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.5) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)

- 35730000 - Electronic warfare systems and counter measures

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1) Information about European Union funds

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

VI.2) Additional information

The Contracting Authority intends to use an e-Tendering system in this procurement exercise, please visit www.contracts.mod.uk for full details and to register your interest in this procurement.

