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# **Project KARKINOS ADEWS/099**

Ministry of Defence

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### Section I: Contracting authority/entity

### I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Defence

Air Defence & Electronic Warfare Systems, (ADEWS), Building 85, RAF Henlow

Henlow

**SG16 6DN** 

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brooke.parsons105@mod.gov.uk

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** 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

# **Section II: Object**

### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Project KARKINOS ADEWS/099

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 50660000 - Repair and maintenance services of military electronic systems

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Contractor Logistic Support (all lines of maintenance) of Air Defence Radars

#### 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: £42,000,000

### II.2) Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

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

The land based Air Defence Radar Fleet provides long-range surveillance of UK airspace, through detection of cooperating and non-cooperating targets and reporting of that data to provide situational awareness and enable decision making such as Quick Reaction Alert (QRA).

Contractor Logistics Support (CLS) is delivered from the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) and current CLS provider, Lockheed-Martin Overseas Corporation (LMOC). The existing contract is due to expire on 31 July 22. 1st to 2nd line support is currently provided by the Royal Air Force (RAF) Trade Group 4 (TG4). Due to the ever-increasing demands across Defence, TG4 is recognised as an opportunity to reduce legacy regular demand on the RAF to enable reinvestment into other growth areas and therefore the requirement arises to provide CLS support for all lines of maintenance. The requirement is for a 5-year contract at a value of between £32000000 and £52000000 to provide all levels of maintenance to certain land-based Air Defence surveillance radars to include remote site manager duties.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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

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

### Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated procedure without publication of a contract notice

 No tenders or no suitable tenders/requests to participate in response to negotiated procedure with prior publication of a contract notice

- The products involved are manufactured purely for the purpose of research, experiment, study or development
- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

#### **Explanation:**

As the OEM, LMOC own the technical data required for any Contractor to provide any level of maintenance and support to the LMOC manufactured radar fleet. LMOC and their preferred sub-contractor Serco are the only suppliers with the required expertise, specific know how and data to provide in depth support that ensure the specified performance for the radar fleet are maintained and of providing the safety case to ensure compatibility and interoperability of the CLS services in general, to the reasonable satisfaction of the Authority. LMOC have granted Serco with the necessary permissions to allow them access to the technical data to perform the requirement.

The Defence Equipment & Security Air Defence Electronic Warfare Systems team, part of the UK Ministry of Defence (MOD), intends to award a five-year contract to Serco for Contractor Logistic Support (CLS) to MOD's Air Defence surveillance radar capability. 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 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 enotification service (in accordance with the relevant legislation) is lawful in accordance with regulation 16(1)(b)(ii) of the DSPCR 2011 for technical reasons. The technical data is controlled by the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) and the Authority does not have the rights to release the relevant technical data for the purposes of competitive tendering nor does it have access to the relevant software codes and/or compiler information necessary for another contractor to perform the contract. LMOC is unwilling to allow any Contractor, other than SERCO, rights to the export controlled technical data.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

### Section V. Award of contract/concession

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

27 January 2022

#### 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

Serco Ltd

Unit A, Wellington Gate

Waterlooville

**PO7 7XY** 

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

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: £42,000,000

#### V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

## VI.4) Procedures for review

### VI.4.1) Review body

Air Defence & Electronic Warfare Systems (ADEWS)

**RAF** Henlow

**SG16 6DN** 

Country

**United Kingdom**