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Contract

Technical Support for NATO Standardisation of Message Text Formats (MTF) & IRIS Management

Ministry of Defence

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-003981

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04dc3d

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Defence

Portsmouth

Email

peter.jones247@mod.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKJ31 - Portsmouth

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://contracts.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

Technical Support for NATO Standardisation of Message Text Formats (MTF) & IRIS Management

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72224100 - System implementation planning services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Technical Support for NATO Standardisation of Message Text Formats (MTF) & IRIS Management

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: £1,055,642

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ31 - Portsmouth

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Technical Support for NATO Standardisation of Message Text Formats (MTF) & IRIS Management

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

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

- The services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:

  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

No other supplier other than Systematic Software Engineering Ltd has the relevant technical knowledge and networks of influence to undertake the requirement at a level sufficient to provide the capability with no interruption and at the level that continues to ensure the UK holds a primary role in leading NATO MTF development/delivery.

The absence of this domain would have a serious impact on reputation and MOD's ability to carry-out MTF changes required for interoperability between national tactical planning systems and NATO message handling systems. A new supplier would not hold the technical expertise needed to deliver the requirement without creating a significant capability gap.

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

Contract No

713300450

Title

Technical Support for NATO Standardisation of Message Text Formats (MTF) & IRIS Management

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 February 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

SYSTEMATIC SOFTWARE ENGINEERING LIMITED

Farnborough

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ37 - North Hampshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,055,642

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Navy

Portsmouth

Country

United Kingdom