

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/005165-2025>

Tender

## **713027450 Project TROUBLER**

Ministry of Defence

F17: Contract notice for contracts in the field of defence and security

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-005165

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04e1ef

Published 14 February 2025, 2:11pm

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

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

Ministry of Defence

MOD, Abbey Wood (South)

Bristol

BS34 8JH

#### **Contact**

DESLESTSP-DCC-Comrcl@mod.gov.uk

#### **For the attention of**

Luan Reed

#### **Email(s)**

[luan.reed112@mod.gov.uk](mailto:luan.reed112@mod.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**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)

**Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from**

The above-mentioned contact point(s)

**Tenders or requests to participate must be sent to**

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

---

## **Section II: Object of the contract**

### **II.1) Description**

#### **II.1.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority**

713027450 Project TROUBLER

#### **II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance**

Supplies

Purchase

#### **Main site or location of works, place of delivery or of performance**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

- UK - United Kingdom

#### **II.1.3) Information on framework agreement**

The notice involves the establishment of a framework agreement

#### **II.1.4) Information on framework agreement**

Framework agreement with several operators

#### **Duration of the framework agreement**

Duration in years: 7

#### **Estimated total value of purchases for the entire duration of the framework agreement**

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between £1 and £4,000,000

#### **II.1.5) Short description of the contract or purchase(s)**

The Authority is running a project to procure a 5.56mm lightweight (current system 7.1kg) assault machine gun capability for the dismounted User.

DPQQ: - <https://contracts.mod.uk/go/5818588001949399C3C4>

#### **II.1.6) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

- 35321300 - Machine guns

#### **II.1.7) Information about subcontracting**

The tenderer has to indicate in the tender any share of the contract it may intend to subcontract to third parties and any proposed subcontractor, as well as the subject-matter of the subcontracts for which they are proposed

The tenderer has to indicate any change occurring at the level of subcontractors during the execution of the contract

#### **II.1.8) Lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### **II.1.9) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2) Quantity or scope of the contract**

#### **II.2.1) Total quantity or scope**

Estimated value excluding VAT:

£4,000,000

#### **II.2.2) Information about options**

Options: No

#### **II.2.3) Information about renewals**

This contract is subject to renewal: No

---

## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions relating to the contract**

#### **III.1.2) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them**

CP&F

### **III.2) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.2.1) Personal situation**

**Criteria regarding the personal situation of economic operators (that may lead to their exclusion) including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: Suppliers Instructions How to Express Interest in this Tender:

#### 1. Register your company on the eSourcing portal (this is only required once)

- Browse to the eSourcing Portal
- Click the "Click here to register" link
- Accept the terms and conditions and click "continue"
- Enter your correct business and user details
- Note the username you chose and click "Save" when complete
- You will shortly receive an email with your unique password (please keep this secure)

#### 2. Express an Interest in the tender

- Login to the portal with the username/password
- Click the "PQQs Open to All Suppliers" link. (These are Pre-Qualification Questionnaires open to any registered supplier)
- Click on the relevant PQQ to access the content.
- Click the "Express Interest" button in the "Actions" box on the left-hand side of the page.

- This will move the PQQ into your “My PQQs” page. (This is a secure area reserved for your projects only)
- Click on the PQQ code, you can now access any attachments by clicking the “Settings and Buyer Attachments” in the “Actions” box

### 3. Responding to the tender

- You can now choose to “Reply” or “Reject” (please give a reason if rejecting)
- You can now use the ‘Messages’ function to communicate with the buyer and seek any clarification
- Note the deadline for completion, then follow the onscreen instructions to complete the PQQ
- There may be a mixture of online & offline actions for you to perform (there is detailed online help available)

If you require any further assistance please consult the online help, or contact the eTendering help desk.

### **Criteria regarding the personal situation of subcontractors (that may lead to their rejection) including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: Suppliers Instructions How to Express Interest in this Tender:

#### 1. Register your company on the eSourcing portal (this is only required once)

- Browse to the eSourcing Portal
- Click the “Click here to register” link
- Accept the terms and conditions and click “continue”
- Enter your correct business and user details
- Note the username you chose and click “Save” when complete
- You will shortly receive an email with your unique password (please keep this secure)

#### 2. Express an Interest in the tender

- Login to the portal with the username/password
- Click the "PQQs Open to All Suppliers" link. (These are Pre-Qualification Questionnaires open to any registered supplier)
- Click on the relevant PQQ to access the content.
- Click the "Express Interest" button in the "Actions" box on the left-hand side of the page.
- This will move the PQQ into your "My PQQs" page. (This is a secure area reserved for your projects only)
- Click on the PQQ code, you can now access any attachments by clicking the "Settings and Buyer Attachments" in the "Actions" box

### 3. Responding to the tender

- You can now choose to "Reply" or "Reject" (please give a reason if rejecting)
- You can now use the 'Messages' function to communicate with the buyer and seek any clarification
- Note the deadline for completion, then follow the onscreen instructions to complete the PQQ
- There may be a mixture of online & offline actions for you to perform (there is detailed online help available)

If you require any further assistance please consult the online help, or contact the eTendering help desk.

---

## **Section IV: Procedure**

### **IV.1) Type of procedure**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Restricted

### **IV.2) Award criteria**

#### **IV.2.1) Award criteria**

the criteria stated in the specifications, in the invitation to tender or to negotiate or in the descriptive document

#### **IV.2.2) Information about electronic auction**

An electronic auction has been used: no

### **IV.3) Administrative information**

#### **IV.3.1) File reference number attributed by the contracting authority**

713027450

#### **IV.3.2) Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract**

no

#### **IV.3.4) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

24 March 2025 - 11:59pm

#### **IV.3.6) Language(s) in which tenders or requests to participate may be drawn up**

English



---

## **Section VI: Complementary information**

### **VI.2) Information about European Union funds**

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

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

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