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Tender

703264453- Procurement and Support of the Support Weapons Enhanced Sighting System (SWESS) Heavy Mature.

Ministry of Defence

F17: Contract 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)

Ministry of Defence

DE&S STSP Dismounted Close Combat Cedar 2A #3260 Abbey Wood

Bristol

BS34 8JH

Contact

Gemma Parkin

For the attention of

Gemma Parkin

Email(s)

gemma.parkin125@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

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

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities:

No

Section II: Object of the contract**II.1) Description****II.1.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority**

703264453- Procurement and Support of the Support Weapons Enhanced Sighting System (SWESS) Heavy Mature.

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

Supplies

Purchase

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Duration of the framework agreement

Duration in years: 5

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

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between £2,000,000 and £20,000,000

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

The UK Army requires a sighting system that can be used on both the L111A1 Heavy Machine Gun (HMG) and L134A1 Grenade Machine Gun (GMG) to enable Users to engage targets out to the full range of the weapons in all light conditions. This Capability will be brought into service through the Support Weapons Enhanced Sighting System (SWESS) Heavy-Mature Project.

II.1.6) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)

- 38633000 - Telescopic sights

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

The contracting authority/entity may oblige the successful tenderer to award all or certain subcontracts

The successful tenderer is obliged to specify which part or parts of the contract it intends to subcontract beyond the required percentage and to indicate the subcontractors already identified

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

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The initial quantity to be procured will be approximately 15 but is subject to change and could increase up to the total fleet quantity of approx 2,000 Systems. This quantity is subject to future budget approval

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between £2,000,000 and £1,000,000

II.2.2) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.3) Information about renewals

This contract is subject to renewal: No

II.3) Duration of the contract or time limit for completion

Duration in months: 60 (from the award of the contract)

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

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

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III.2.2) Economic and financial ability

Criteria regarding the economic and financial standing of economic operators (that may lead to their exclusion)

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: As detailed within The DPQQ.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: As detailed within The DPQQ.

Criteria regarding the economic and financial standing of subcontractors (that may lead to their exclusion)

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: As detailed within The DPQQ.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: As detailed within The DPQQ.

III.2.3) Technical and/or professional capacity

Criteria regarding the technical and/or professional ability of economic operators (that may lead to their exclusion)

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: As detailed within The DPQQ.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: As detailed within The DPQQ.

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Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: As detailed within The DPQQ.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: As detailed within The DPQQ.

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) Type of procedure

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Restricted

IV.1.2) Limitations on the number of operators who will be invited to tender or to participate

Envisaged minimum number

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: The criteria stated within the DPQQ will be used to down select the potential number of operators to be invited to tender.

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: yes

Additional information about electronic auction: As detailed within the Invitation to Tender.

IV.3) Administrative information

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

703264453

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 April 2022 - 11:59pm

IV.3.5) Date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

1 June 2022

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

English

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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 for full details and to register your interest in

this procurement.

NOTE: The access code for the DPQQ is XXXXXXXX

Suppliers must read through this set of instructions and follow the process to respond to this opportunity.

The information and/or documents for this opportunity are available on <http://www.contracts.mod.uk>.

You must register on this site to respond, if you are already registered you will not need to register again, simply use your existing username and password. Please note there is a password reminder link on the homepage.

Suppliers must log in, go to your Response Manager and add the following Access Code:

Please ensure you follow any instruction provided to you here.

The deadline for submitting your response(s) is detailed within this contract notice, you will also have visibility of the deadline date, once you have added the Access code via DCO as the opening and closing date is visible within the opportunity.

Please ensure that you allow yourself plenty of time when responding to this opportunity prior to the closing date and time, especially if you have been asked to upload documents.

If you experience any difficulties please refer to the online Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's) or the User Guides or contact the MOD DCO Helpdesk by emailing support@contracts.mod.uk or Telephone 0800 282 324.

The Cyber Risk Levels for SWESS Heavy have been assessed as follows: -

Very Low

The associated Risk Assessment References RAR 788018202