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## **Seafox Follow on Support Contract**

Ministry of Defence

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02ab6d

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

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

#### **Email**

[jill.mcclelland105@mod.gov.uk](mailto:jill.mcclelland105@mod.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

#### **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

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Seafox Follow on Support Contract

Reference number

701480380

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 90523300 - Mine sweeping services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Defence Equipment and Support Group (DE&S) part of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence (“the Authority”) intends to place a contract with Atlas Elektronik (AEUK) for the Follow on Support of Seafox MDS until March 2030.

#### **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: £36,000,000

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 35512400 - Unmanned underwater vehicles

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKK2 - Dorset and Somerset

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

The Authority's requirement is for the provision of in-service support to a complex system configured of multiple integrated sub-systems which is further integrated with multiple complex third-party systems. System capability (including technical interoperability between complex third-party systems,) must be sustained in order to ensure effective operational capability of the UK's Royal Navy Fleet.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Criterion: Single Source 100

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

3 x 1 year options

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

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

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated procedure without 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:

It is considered that pursuant to Article 28(1)(e) of Directive 2009/81/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (Regulation 16(a)(ii) of the EU Defence and Security Public Contract Regulations 2011), this contract can be placed using the Negotiated procedure without prior publication of a Contract Notice for technical reasons where the contract may be awarded only to a particular economic operator, as detailed in this notice.

Atlas Elektronik (AEUK) are the only supplier with access to the necessary means, tools and specific know-how and expertise to provide these support services to ensure that the equipment, the platforms in which they are fitted and all function effectively and safely. AEUK are licenced by their parent company AE GmbH (the OEM and Design Authority) to have access to the system's required technical information, technical drawings and data. Without access to these documents and data it is not possible to fulfil this requirement as it would not be possible to meet all the required standards, including safety and technical standards. As the only economic operator with the required access AEUK are the only operator that can fulfil this requirement.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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## Section V. Award of contract/concession

### Contract No

701480380

## **Title**

Seafox Follow on Support Contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

15 April 2021

### **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**

ATLAS ELEKTRONIK UK

Dorchester

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK2 - Dorset and Somerset

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: £36,000,000

### **V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom