

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/009337-2025>

Award

## **A400M Aircraft Document Reader (Extension)**

Ministry of Defence

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-009337

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04ed0f

Published 14 March 2025, 8:53am

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

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

Ministry of Defence

MOD Abbey Wood #1027 Walnut 2C

Bristol

BS34 8JH

#### **Email**

[samantha.hosken100@mod.gov.uk](mailto:samantha.hosken100@mod.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKK11 - Bristol, City of

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.contracts.mod.uk](http://www.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**

A400M Aircraft Document Reader (Extension)

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

- 72500000 - Computer-related services

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

Services

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

A400M Aircraft Document Reader (Extension) in support of flight operations

#### **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: £982,124

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

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

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

short fixed term extension to contract A400M/089 Aircraft Document Reader in support of flight operations.

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

Price

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option for 6 month extension

### **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:
  - protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

Explanation:

The A400M Delivery Team, part of the UK Ministry of Defence ( “the Authority”), intends to amend its contract (A400M/089) with Vistair Systems Ltd to extend the duration for a period of six months with a six-month option to further extend, and uplift the current contractual value up to approximately £471,000 and a further £511,000 for an additional six months to facilitate competition to re-tender for the service completes. It is considered that the variation does not alter the scope of nature of the Contract thus not material. As such the Contract can be varied to facilitate a robust competition and transition period while ensuring operational capability.

#### 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

### Contract No

A400M/089

### Title

A400M/089 Aircraft Document Reader

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

28 February 2025

### **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**

Vistair Systems Ltd

Broadway House, Almondsbury Business Centre, Woodlands, Bradley Stoke

Bristol

BS32 4QH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

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: £982,124

### **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**

Ministry of Defence

MOD Abbey Wood #1027 Walnut 2C

Bristol

BS34 8JH

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Ministry of Defence

MOD Abbey Wood #1027 Walnut 2C

Bristol

BS34 8JH

Country

United Kingdom