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## **708422450 - Provision of Underwater Engineering Services**

Ministry of Defence

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

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Further information**

Further information can be obtained from the above mentioned contact point(s)

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority/entity:**

708422450 - Provision of Underwater Engineering Services

### **II.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance**

Services

Service category No 1: Maintenance and repair services

### **II.4) Short description of nature and scope of works or nature and quantity or value of supplies or services**

Underwater Engineering Services (UES) in the United Kingdom and worldwide, are carried out to support the Royal Navy (RN) and Royal Fleet Auxiliary (RFA) platforms and are managed on behalf of the Ministry of Defence (MoD) by the Authority (Defence, Equipment and Support (DE&S), Salvage and Marine Operations Delivery Team (SALMO DT)).

The Authority requires one or more suppliers to deliver the following over an approximate seven-year contract duration including option years:

Provision of commercial diving services to UK Health and Safety Executive Diving at Work Regulations inland/inshore Approved Code of Practice both in the UK and overseas to conduct a range of underwater inspection, maintenance, and repair activities on HM ships, also to include:

- Update and generation of new underwater engineering technical procedures, including the generation of engineering drawings and manufacturing data packs.
- Minor repairs, maintenance and modification of equipment, tooling and supply of specialist underwater engineering equipment including, but not limited to, hull aperture blanks, cofferdams, hull cleaning equipment and any other bespoke items required to fulfil underwater engineering tasks.

**Estimated value excluding VAT**

Range: between £20,000,000 and £100,000,000

## **II.5) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

- 98363000 - Diving services

### **Additional CPV code(s)**

- 50241100 - Vessel repair services
- 71336000 - Engineering support services
- 71631400 - Technical inspection services of engineering structures
- 71631420 - Maritime safety inspection services

## **II.7) Additional information**

Further to PIN (2023/S 000-020561 and tender\_376292/1236325) issued in July 2023, the Authority would like to inform the market of the below information:

- It is anticipated that the requirement will be tendered in two (2) lots.
- Anticipated lots will consist of Lot 1 – Provision of Underwater Engineering Services (UES) within the United Kingdom (UK) and Lot 2 – Provision of Underwater Engineering Services (UES) outside of the United Kingdom.
- There will be the ability to bid for Lot 1, Lot 2 or Lot 1 and Lot 2.
- The indicative value of Lot 1 (within the UK) is £6.5 million and Lot 2 (outside of United Kingdom) is £68 million.

Tentative dates to note (subject to change):

Issue of Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (DPQQ): Summer 2024

Issue of Invitation to negotiate (ITN): Late summer 2024

Contract Award: Spring 2025

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## **Section VI: Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about European Union funds**

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

### **VI.2) 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.