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Tender

TRINITY Design and SI Competition - The Authority will procure a Design and System Integration Delivery (DSID) partner for a maximum of 9 years (5+2+1+1), covering the development of a through life detailed technical design for a deployable WAN to suit portable and military vehicle variants. The contract scope will also include the management of changes to the designs, service management, system integration activities to deliver an operable system, and the possible supply of some or all of the components required to provide the capability for each of the variants. The appointed Contractor will be required to produce system and sub-system designs for the operation of the Deployable WAN capability, and also provide an operating system.

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Upon delivery of the components the DSID Contractor will integrate all variants into an operable solution. The DSID Contractor will then provide an on-going service to evolve the solution as new technology is identified, or changes are requested by users.

The scope of the contract will also include the provision

of a System Design Authority Service and Service Management activities, and the possibility for the Authority to procure resource on a call off basis for the completion of additional tasks supporting the Trinity programme This procurement is exempt from the application of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (PCR) and the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 (DSPCR) pursuant to Regulation 7(1)(a) of the DSPCR in order to protect the essential security interests of the UK. The obligations, rights and remedies under the PCR and/or DSPCR therefore do not apply to this procurement.

The Authority reserves the right to incorporate a Security Aspects Letter into the contract, in addition to other security related Terms and Conditions. The Authority also reserves the right to amend any condition related to security of information to reflect any changes in national law or government policy, whether in respect of the applicable protective marking scheme, specific proactive markings given, the aspects to which any protective marking applies or otherwise.

Those suppliers which are successfully down selected should have List X or Provisional List X status by Contract Award. The Authority reserves the right not to take forward any Applicants who do not hold List X or Provisional List X status by the point of Contract Award. Please note the estimated contract value stated in this DCN covers the initial 5 year contract period plus all possible extensions, and the possible supply of the components

Battlefield Tactical Communications Systems, Strategic Command, Defence Digital,
Ministry of Defence

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

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

Battlefield Tactical Communications Systems, Strategic Command, Defence Digital,
Ministry of Defence

MOD Corsham, F3 Building 405, Westwells Road

Corsham

SN13 9NR

For the attention of

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Email(s)

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Country

United Kingdom

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

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

Services

Service category No 3: Defence services, military defence services and civil defence services

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

MOD Corsham and Contractor premises.

Duration of the framework agreement

Duration in months: 108

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

Estimated value excluding VAT:

£330,000,000

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

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II.1.6) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

Additional CPV code(s)

- 32430000 - Wide area network

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

The Design and System Integration of a Deployment Wide Area Network Capability for the UK Armed Forces, and the possible supply of the components.

Estimated value excluding VAT:

£330,000,000

II.2.2) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of these options: The Contract will include an option for the Authority to procure some, or all, of the components required to deliver the TRINITY Deployable WAN Capability. The estimated value is £195M.

II.2.3) Information about renewals

This contract is subject to renewal: Yes

Number of possible renewals: 003

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

Duration in months: 108 (from the award of the contract)

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions relating to the contract

III.1.1) Deposits and guarantees required

Parent Company Guarantee is required.

III.1.3) Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded

Contract to be awarded under the laws of England.

III.1.5) Information about security clearance

Candidates which do not yet hold security clearance may obtain such clearance until: 16 August 2021

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
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2. Express an Interest in the tender

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3. Responding to the tender

- You can now choose to "Reply" or "Reject" (please give a reason if rejecting)
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Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) Type of procedure

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Restricted

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

Envisaged number of operators: 06

IV.1.3) Reduction of the number of operators during the negotiation or dialogue

Recourse to staged procedure to gradually reduce the number of solutions to be discussed or tenders to be negotiated: no

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

701550462

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

no

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

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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.