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# Human Machine Teaming - Enabling Framework (702953450) - Re-opening April 2024

Ministry of Defence

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# Section I: Contracting authority

#### I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

**Region code** 

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

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#### I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

https://www.contracts.mod.uk/web/login.html

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://contracts.mod.uk/esop/guest/go/opportunity/detail?opportunityId=58015

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

#### 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

Human Machine Teaming - Enabling Framework (702953450) - Re-opening April 2024

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

THIS ADVERT IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR PARTICIPANTS TO JOIN THE EXTANT HMT FRAMEWORK ORIGINALLY RELEASED QUARTER 2 2022 (REFERENCE: 702953450). IF YOU ARE ALREADY A PARTICIPANT WITHIN THIS FRAMEWORK YOU DO NOT NEED TO COMPLETE THIS PROCESS. THIS PQQ/ITT PROCESS IS FOR NEW ENTRANTS TO THE FRAMEWORK ONLY.

The Human Machine Teaming (HMT) framework focusses on experimentation activity and small-scale procurement of Robotic and Autonomous Systems (RAS), enabling rapid iterations, across the full stack of potential capabilities.

The framework has a 3-year duration (1 year remaining) with a 12-month option to extend the duration out to March 2026, and has a headroom of £300M. Any competition will be delivered by the Expeditionary Robotics Centre of Expertise (ERCoE) using the Future Capability Innovation (FCI) (previously Future Capability Group) with sufficient framework headroom, to complete iterative spiral development of technological solutions and support/scale those solutions where required.

A power point presentation has been included in the PQQ which outlines some of the anticipated requirements that may be competed via the framework in the next 12 months. This has been added to facilitate potential providers in evaluating their suitability for the framework. The requirements detailed in the next step presentation are indicative and subject to change.

Framework participation will be subject to successfully completing a Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ) and Invitation to Tender (ITT) process.

This will commence with the publication of the PQQ for Human Machine Teaming through the DSP.

\*PLEASE READ BEFORE CONTINUING\*

The above advert is a re-opening of the HMT Framework (Reference: 702953450). If you are already a participant within this framework you do not need to complete this process. This PQQ/ITT process is for new entrants to the framework only.

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 4

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

II.2.1) Title

HMT LOT 1 - Hardware

Lot No

1

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

• 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

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

Robotics and Autonomous Systems (RAS) Activity - Hardware LOT.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

End date

31 March 2025

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

#### II.2.11) Information about options

**Options: Yes** 

Description of options

1 Year

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

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

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

#### II.2.1) Title

HMT LOT 2 - Software

Lot No

2

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

• 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

UK - United Kingdom

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

HMT LOT 2 - Robotics and Autonomous Systems (RAS) Software.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

End date

31 March 2025

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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

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

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

#### II.2.1) Title

HMT LOT 3 - Professional & Technical Services

Lot No

3

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

• 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

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

HMT LOT 3 - Robotic and Autonomous Systems (RAS) Professional & Tech Services.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

End date

31 March 2025

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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

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

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

II.2.1) Title

HMT LOT 4 - Enabling & Networks

Lot No

4

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

• 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

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

HMT LOT 4 - Robotic and Autonomous Systems (RAS) Enabling and Networks.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

End date

#### 31 March 2025

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

#### 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 III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

#### III.1) Conditions for participation

# III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

Pre Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ) will outline expected selection criteria for suitability of organisations for enrolment to the Framework, and establish those organisations that will be invited to respond to the HMT Invitation to Tender (ITT) for Framework.

#### III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria

Economic Criteria will be outlined in the PQQ published within the Defence Sourcing Portal (DSP).

#### III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria

Technical and Professional Criteria will be outlined in the PQQ published within the Defence Sourcing Portal (DSP).

# **Section IV. Procedure**

#### **IV.1) Description**

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Restricted procedure

#### IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

#### IV.2) Administrative information

#### IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

17 May 2024

Local time

12:00pm

#### IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

# Section VI. Complementary information

#### VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

#### VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic payment will be used

#### VI.3) Additional information

PQQ will be published through the Defence Sourcing Portal (DSP)

Opportunity listing link - <u>https://contracts.mod.uk/esop/guest/go/opportunity/detail?opportunityId=58015</u>

#### VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

Expeditionary Robotics Centre of Expertise

Future Capability Group, Spruce 2B, MoD Abbey Wood

Bristol

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United Kingdom