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## **Deployable Tactical Engagement Simulation (D-TES) [TSSP/143 ILT-D]**

Ministry of Defence

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

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

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

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UK - United Kingdom

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## **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**

Deployable Tactical Engagement Simulation (D-TES) [TSSP/143 ILT-D]

Reference number

TSSP/143

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

- 80510000 - Specialist training services

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

Services

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

Instrumented Live Training – DFWES (ILT-D) is an appended precision laser based tactical engagement system for vehicles, armoured platforms, heavy weapon systems and anti-tank weapons used in force on-force exercises as part of collective training. It simulates and records the effects of weapon engagements on vehicles and enables realistic and challenging training.

The Authority has a requirement for 1000 ILT-D Soldier Systems for delivery of training overseas as well as exercise management and support.

#### **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: £40,000,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

The requirement is for the purchase of 1000 Soldier Systems to deliver training overseas along with exercise management and support. When not in use these systems will supplement the existing c2500 systems already used for training worldwide. The anticipated value of this requirement is £40,000,000. The intent is to place this activity as a Contract Amendment to Contract TSSP/143 (ILT-D), uplifting the original Contract value from £141,820,283 to an estimated £181,000,000.

The requirement will align with the ILT-D Contract (expiry March 2027 with 3 x 1 year options to extend)

The Cyber Risk Profile is assessed as moderate.

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

Criterion: Appropriate, Attributable, Reasonable (AAR) 100%

## **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

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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:

In accordance with regulation 4 of The Defence and Security Public Contracts (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (SI 2019/697) this procurement falls to be regulated under the provisions of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 as amended (in particular by SI 2019/697 and SI 2020/1450). Prior publication of a contract notice in the Official Journal of the European Union is no longer appropriate. It is considered that the award of the contract without prior publication of a contract notice in the UK e-notification service is lawful in accordance with Regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 for Technical Reasons.

SAAB AB are the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) and Design Authority (DA) for ILT-D. They retain the proprietary technical data, source code and design drawings applicable to the capability and to maintain the required availability. Other economic operators are unable to provide support, repair and upgrade services for ILT-D without access to this information/data. For these technical reasons and the necessity to use specific know-how and expertise in order to perform the PDS contract, which is held only by SAAB AB, the contract may only be awarded to SAAB.

#### 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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

30 April 2024

### **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**

SAAB AB

Huskvarna

SE 561 85

Country

Sweden

NUTS code

- SE - Sweden

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

### **V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £40,000,000

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

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

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SAAB AB currently supply the Soldier Systems to other nations and there is a requirement for interoperability, integration with existing infrastructure and the ability to train with other Nations. Additionally, when not in use the systems will supplement existing holdings.

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

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

Training Simulation Systems Portfolio (TSSP), MOD.

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