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Planning

Future Integrated User Services (F-IUS) Fixed Voice – Official

Ministry of Defence

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.gov.uk/government/groups/defence-digital

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from 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

Future Integrated User Services (F-IUS) Fixed Voice – Official

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 64200000 - Telecommunications services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Currently Defence's Fixed Voice (FV) and Enterprise Voice (EV) (at Official, Secret and Above Secret) and Mobile (at Official only) are all services provided by the Integrated User Services (IUS) Contract.

The F-IUS Programme has assessed all services currently delivered under the single contract with the Incumbent and separated these into the following discrete capability bundles including:

- a. Fixed Voice OFFICIAL and Enterprise Voice Telephony
- b. Fixed Voice and Video at SECRET Telephony
- c. Automated Call Distribution
- d. Mobile Devices and Airtime
- e. Mobile Device Management and,
- f. ABOVE SECRET Voice and Video Telephony

This Request for Information (RFI) relates to the Fixed Voice OFFICIAL and Enterprise Voice ("FVO & EV") capability bundle only, for which we anticipate releasing a Contract Notice during Winter 2024. Contract award is expected in 2025 with an anticipated term of three years plus one plus one (3+1+1).

The Authority is releasing this RFI to gauge the level of market appetite for the FVO & EV competition and to inform our procurement approach in advance of initiating a competition. No formal procurement process has been launched at this stage and this RFI does not represent any commitment by the Authority. Any future procurement, if conducted, will be subject to contract.

Currently we expect to run a single competition to contract for the service(s) as described in the RFI document. The options currently under consideration by the Authority are either; a "Build New" approach incorporating either a Software as a Service (SaaS) or MODCloud option, or; a "Takeover and Enhancement" approach where the new Service Provider will take on the existing service, stabilise and move to crown hosting, whilst delivering a new SaaS or MODCloud platform. We anticipate the successful supplier will migrate Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) enabled endpoints to the SaaS / MODCloud platform and provide field engineering support to endpoints that are not SIP enabled.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 32412100 Telecommunications network
- 32522000 Telecommunications equipment
- 64200000 Telecommunications services
- 64227000 Integrated telecommunications services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Refer to II.1.4 (Short Description)

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

31 October 2024

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No