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Planning

Project SHAMER: Multi-Caliber Sniper Weapon Capability

Defence Equipment and Support

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Scope

Description

This is a second round of Preliminary market engagement -2 (PME-2) for a new Multi Caliber Sniper Capability.

The scope of the requirement is still expected to include:

- Sniper Weapon Systems
- Ancillary Equipment (e.g. suppressors, bipods, carrying systems)
- Through-Life Support and Maintenance

The system will utilise in-service ammunition (.338LM, 7.62x51 NATO) and sighting solutions, as well as introducing a new to service nature .300NM.

Following the publication of the initial preliminary market engagement notice-1 (PME-1) on 29 October 2025, the Authority conducted an Industry briefing day on 3rd December 2025. This event allowed for direct interaction with the participating suppliers and provided invaluable insights into the current market landscape.

The Authority wishes to extend its sincere thanks to all suppliers who participated in the briefing and those who have submitted responses to the initial Request for Information -1 (RFI-1). Your time, attention, and the detailed information provided have been instrumental in helping us shape our requirements to this point.

While the interaction achieved many of its objectives, the Authority has identified specific areas where further detail is required to ensure a successful outcome. We are issuing this second PME-2 notice and supplementary question set, called Request for Information -2 (RFI-2) to:

- Use the feedback to help fill technical information gaps.
- Inform procurement strategy.
- Ensure market attractiveness.
- Encourage competition.

Total value (estimated)

- £16,666,666.67 excluding VAT
- £20,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 9 March 2027 to 7 March 2034
- 6 years, 11 months, 30 days

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 35321200 - Rifles
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Engagement

Engagement deadline

23 March 2026

Engagement process description

How to participate:

Previous respondents: if you have already responded to the initial RFI-1 issued in October 2025, you are only required to provide response to the question set (RFI-2).

New suppliers: We welcome and encourage participation from suppliers who have previously not engaged. New entrants are encouraged to respond to Original RFI-1 and RFI-2 to provide a complete view of their capabilities.

Access the RFI-1 -

<https://contracts.mod.uk/esop/guest/go/opportunity/detail?opportunityId=60453>

Access the RFI-2-

<https://contracts.mod.uk/esop/guest/go/opportunity/detail?opportunityId=60453>

All responses must be submitted to: DES-LandP2DCCCommercialTeam@mod.gov.uk by 23.59 on 23/03/2026.

Please note:

This is just an information gathering exercise only. It is not a pre-qualification or selection process for any future procurement.

Participation is highly encouraged, but companies that do not register interest or respond to RFI-1 or/and RFI-2 at this time will still be free to participate in any future formal

procurement.

The Authority will publish further notices in accordance with the Procurement Act 2023 prior to the formal launch of procurement.

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

1 June 2026

Procedure

Special regime

Defence and security

Contracting authority

Defence Equipment and Support

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Region: UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

Organisation type: Public authority - central government