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## **Hypersonic Technologies & Capability Development Framework – Defence Prior Information Notice (PIN)**

Ministry of Defence

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

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

Ministry of Defence

Ministry of Defence Team Hypersonics (UK), Abbey Wood, Bristol, BS34 8JH

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#### **For the attention of**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Further information**

Further information can be obtained from the above mentioned contact point(s)

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority/entity:**

Hypersonic Technologies & Capability Development Framework – Defence Prior Information Notice (PIN)

### **II.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**

Team Hypersonics (UK), Defence Equipment and Support Ministry of Defence.

#### **NUTS code**

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.3) Information on framework agreement**

The notice involves the establishment of a framework agreement: Yes

### **II.4) Short description of nature and scope of works or nature and quantity or value of supplies or services**

As part of Team Hypersonics (UK)'s overall delivery strategy, it is the intention of the Defence Equipment & Support (DE&S) to establish a multi-supplier Hypersonic Technologies & Capability Development Framework Agreement. The primary aim of the Framework will be to accelerate development of the United Kingdom Hypersonic Strike Capability.

The Framework is to provide a route to market up to Technology Readiness Level (TRL) 9 and to deliver future operational elements of a Hypersonic Strike capability, this will be a collaborative enterprise approach to accelerate the Ministry of Defence's (MoD's) acquisition of an advanced Hypersonic Strike capability.

It is anticipated that the Framework will have a value up to £1bn over a 7-year period.

This PIN relates to inviting suppliers to an Early Supplier Market Engagement Day, which will be held this summer with details to be confirmed shortly. The day will allow suppliers to gain valuable insight and provide feedback on this process and ensure the success of the Hypersonics programme.

Further details regarding the Early Supplier Market Engagement Day including registration and attendance requirements are contained in section VI.2 of this PIN.

The value advised within this PIN is an estimate at this stage and subject to ongoing programme development.

All subsequent procurement following this Early Supplier Market Engagement Day is at the discretion of the MoD and subject to approvals. Any further updates regarding future activity will be made through the appropriate advertising channels.

#### **Estimated value excluding VAT**

£1,000,000,000

#### **Lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### **II.5) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

- 75220000 - Defence services

#### **Additional CPV code(s)**

- 35600000 - Military aircrafts, missiles and spacecrafts
- 35620000 - Missiles
- 35622100 - Air-to-air missiles
- 35623000 - Cruise missiles
- 35623100 - Air/ground/sea launched cruise missiles
- 72227000 - Software integration consultancy services
- 72228000 - Hardware integration consultancy services
- 73210000 - Research consultancy services

- 73300000 - Design and execution of research and development
- 73410000 - Military research and technology
- 73420000 - Pre-feasibility study and technological demonstration
- 73425000 - Development of military aircrafts, missiles and spacecrafts
- 73430000 - Test and evaluation
- 73435000 - Test and evaluation of military aircrafts, missiles and spacecrafts
- 80650000 - Training and simulation in aircrafts, missiles and spacecrafts

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

### **III.1) Conditions relating to the subcontract**

#### **III.1.1) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them:**

Financing conditions and payment terms will be outlined within the terms and conditions of the Framework Agreement, and specific Framework call-off documentation.

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## **Section VI: Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about European Union funds**

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

### **VI.2) Additional information**

The Early Supplier Market Engagement Day is a briefing from the Authority to industry, during which the Authority will describe the requirement and proposed delivery approach. The day will consist of a presentation and may include smaller discussions in which industry participation and feedback is encouraged.

We will invite industry comments in relation to procurement and commercial strategies. Please refer to the Market Engagement briefing document for context, early commercial and procurement thinking and a questionnaire to be completed prior to attendance at the Early Supplier Market Engagement Day. Please note that all information gathered will be taken into consideration and may inform the future strategy of the programme, however, this is not guaranteed. A follow up document containing key information from the day will

be provided to all attendees after the event. Commercially sensitive information will not be shared.

Should your organisation wish to attend the Early Supplier Market Engagement Day, please register your interest following this link [www.contracts.mod.uk](http://www.contracts.mod.uk) and provide the details requested for registration (included within the Market Engagement Day briefing document). You will need to register as a supplier on the DSP to access the relevant briefing documents and communication portal.

Once suppliers have registered an interest, all the details about the event will be shared directly with interested participants in mid-July.

Please note, applications to attend this Early Supplier Market Engagement Day will not be accepted after 5pm on Wednesday 26th July 2023.

The event will be classified Official Secret and therefore is a requirement for confirmation of extant Security Clearance (BPSS as a minimum) to be provided and checked prior to attendance at the event. Your registration will only be confirmed once checks have been completed. Information from the event can be shared with Organisations not meeting the minimum Security Clearance who are unable to attend the event.

The Contracting Authority intends to use an e-Tendering system in this procurement exercise, please visit [www.contracts.mod.uk](http://www.contracts.mod.uk) for full details and to register your interest in this procurement.

### **VI.3) Information on general regulatory framework**

Relevant governmental Internet sites where information can be obtained

#### **Tax legislation**

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/all?title=tax>