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Planning

708422450 - Underwater Engineering Services

Ministry of Defence

F16: Prior information notice for contracts in the field of defence and security

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

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

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Further information

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

Section II: Object

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

708422450 - Underwater Engineering Services

II.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance

Services

Service category No 1: Maintenance and repair services

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

Underwater Engineering Services (UES) in the United Kingdom and worldwide, is carried out to support the Royal Navy (RN) and Royal Fleet Auxiliary (RFA) platforms and managed on behalf of the Ministry of Defence (MoD) by the Authority (Defence, Equipment and Security (DE&S)), (Salvage and Marine Operations Delivery Team (SALMO DT)).

The Authority requires one or more suppliers to deliver the following over an approximate seven-year contract including option years:

- Provision of commercial diving services to UK Health and Safety Executive Diving at Work Regulations inland/inshore Approved Code of Practice both in the UK and overseas to conduct a range of underwater inspection, maintenance, and repair activities on HM ships.
- Provision of services to review, update and generate new underwater engineering technical procedures, including the generation of engineering drawings and manufacturing data packs.
- Provision of services to inspect, repair and manufacture, or supply specialist underwater engineering equipment including, but not limited to, hull aperture blanks, cofferdams, hull cleaning equipment and any other bespoke items required to fulfil underwater engineering tasks.

Estimated value excluding VAT

Range: between £20,000,000 and £100,000,000

II.5) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)

- 98363000 - Diving services

Additional CPV code(s)

- 50241100 - Vessel repair services
- 71336000 - Engineering support services
- 71631400 - Technical inspection services of engineering structures
- 71631420 - Maritime safety inspection services

II.7) Additional information

This Prior Information Notice (PIN) is open to all companies that have suitable experience in carrying out UES.

This PIN also serves to inform potential suppliers of the intention to release a Request for Information (RFI) against a set of questions with an opportunity for interested parties to respond and present an overview of their capabilities. This information will be used to refine the scope of the Authorities requirement.

Tentative dates to note (subject to change):

Issue of RFI: 31 July 2023.

Issue of Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (DPQQ): 28 March 2024.

Issue of Invitation to negotiate (ITN): 18 June 2024 (response from 19 June 2024).

Contract Award: 06 February 2025.

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 Contracting Authority intends to use an e-Tendering system in this procurement exercise, please visit www.contracts.mod.uk for full details and to register your interest in this procurement.