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## **Provision of a Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV), Spares and In Service Support**

Ministry of Defence

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[https://contracts.mod.uk/esop/ogc-host/public/mod/web/login.html?VISITORID=e1054f81-d2b1-42e7-92f1-22bf0b3f3105&\\_ncp=1719936269965.180221-1](https://contracts.mod.uk/esop/ogc-host/public/mod/web/login.html?VISITORID=e1054f81-d2b1-42e7-92f1-22bf0b3f3105&_ncp=1719936269965.180221-1)

**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**

Provision of a Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV), Spares and In Service Support

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 35512400 - Unmanned underwater vehicles

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

**II.1.4) Short description**

Procurement of a Work Class Remotely Operated Vehicle (WROV) with the provision of spares and in-service 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: £18,000,000

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Procurement of a Work Class Remotely Operated Vehicle (WROV) with the provision of spares and in-service support.

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

Price

### **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:

Salvage and Marine Operations (SALMO), part of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence, intends to award a contract (711300452) to Forum Energy Technology (UK) Ltd ('FET') for the provision of a Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV), Spares and In Service Support. The contract has an estimated value of £18M and a duration of 2 years and 9 months.

It is considered that the award of this contract without prior publication of a contract notice in the UK e-notification service (as required by the relevant legislation) is lawful in accordance with Regulation 7(1)(a) of the Defence and Security Public Contract Regulation (DSPCR) 2011 for national security reasons.

SALMO have determined that currently only FET can supply the ROV that fully meets all the Key User Requirements (KUR's) which are: Depth rating and ability to upgrade to threshold; Payload Capacity; Operating System and INS – ability to dynamically position; UK Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM).

#### 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**

3 July 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**

FORUM ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES (UK) LIMITED

Kirkbymoorside

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £18,000,000

#### **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**

This notice is not a request for expressions of interest so please do not apply to be invited to tender. This notice advises that the Authority has decided to negotiate a contract with the named supplier on a single source basis, and is published for reasons of transparency.

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

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

Defence Equipment & Support (DE&S), Ministry of Defence (MOD)

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom