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## **Procurement of Boresight kits and Support for the AJAX team with potential for pan-platform options to buy.**

Defence Equipment and Support (DE&S)

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

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

Defence Equipment and Support (DE&S)

MOD Abbey Wood, Bristol, BS34 8JH

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

Mr. Wayne Lee

#### **Email(s)**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

**General address of the contracting authority/entity**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/defence-equipment-and-support>

**Further information**

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

**Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from**

The above-mentioned contact point(s)

**Tenders or requests to participate must be sent to**

The above-mentioned contact point(s)

**I.2) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions

**I.3) Main activity**

Defence

**I.4) Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities/entities**

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities:

No

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## **Section II: Object of the contract**

### **II.1) Description**

#### **II.1.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority**

Procurement of Boresight kits and Support for the AJAX team with potential for pan-platform options to buy.

#### **II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance**

Supplies

Purchase

#### **Main site or location of works, place of delivery or of performance**

Delivery - Donnington, Telford

#### **NUTS code**

- UKG2 - Shropshire and Staffordshire

#### **II.1.5) Short description of the contract or purchase(s)**

DE&S (Defence Equipment and Support, part of the UK Ministry of Defence) intends to award a contract under DSCPR 2011 by means of competition, for the supply and through-life support of Boresight kits (Boresight and mandrels) for use on several weapon systems/calibres within LEOC (Land Equipment Operating Centre). The AJAX team (an LEOC team) are leading this project as they have a confirmed requirement of 295 Boresight kits with an urgent initial requirement to obtain 50 Boresight kits within 4-6 months of contract award to meet AJAX's IOC (Initial Operating Capability).

This contract may also include options to allow other teams to purchase additional quantities in order to fulfil their own requirements in due course. The approximate total quantity of these optional buys is around 400 (these are best current estimates).

A Cyber Risk Assessment (RAR-240516A05) has been completed for this project and it has been classed as 'Very Low'. Please review DEFSTAN 05-138 for further information on the control measures associated with this assessment to ensure bidders are able to comply.

You may express your interest in this requirement by completing the Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ) found at: <https://contracts.mod.uk/go/16840507019078B3D197> by

11/09/2024

The PQQ shall be assessed using the selection criteria given within the PQQ and within each question. It is the intention of the Authority to down select to between three and five suppliers and Invite to Tender only those economic operators who successfully complete the PQQ.

#### **II.1.6) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

- 38633000 - Telescopic sights

#### **II.1.8) Lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### **II.1.9) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2) Quantity or scope of the contract**

#### **II.2.1) Total quantity or scope**

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This contract may also include options to allow other teams to purchase additional quantities in order to fulfil their own requirements in due course. The approximate total quantity of these optional buys is around 400 (these are best current estimates).

As the other team's requirements are not fully matured, we are unable to quote an exact contract value and duration. Therefore, we estimate the duration to be between 1-5 years, and the overall contract value to be between £2,000,000 - £5,000,000, but this will be dependent on the confirmed ranging and scaling of other teams.

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Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between £2,000,000 and £5,000,000

#### **II.2.2) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of these options: The contract may include options that may allow other teams to purchase their own quantities at later date. the estimated value of these options has been included in the estimated contract value. The specific ranging is yet to be confirmed by those other teams and is why we have estimated the contract duration to be between 1-5 years.

#### **II.2.3) Information about renewals**

This contract is subject to renewal: No

#### **II.3) Duration of the contract or time limit for completion**

Start date: 2 January 2025

End date: 10 December 2029

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

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

#### **III.1.2) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them**

Payments will be made via CP&F and on acceptance of the delivery of the goods.

### **III.2) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.2.1) Personal situation**

**Criteria regarding the personal situation of economic operators (that may lead to their exclusion) including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: Suppliers Instructions How to Express Interest in this Tender:

1. Register your company on the eSourcing portal (this is only required once)
  - Browse to the eSourcing Portal
  - Click the “Click here to register” link
  - Accept the terms and conditions and click “continue”
  - Enter your correct business and user details
  - Note the username you chose and click “Save” when complete
  - You will shortly receive an email with your unique password (please keep this secure)
2. Express an Interest in the tender
  - Login to the portal with the username/password
  - Click the "PQQs Open to All Suppliers" link. (These are Pre-Qualification Questionnaires open to any registered supplier)
  - Click on the relevant PQQ to access the content.
  - Click the “Express Interest” button in the “Actions” box on the left-hand side of the page.

- This will move the PQQ into your “My PQQs” page. (This is a secure area reserved for your projects only)
- Click on the PQQ code, you can now access any attachments by clicking the “Settings and Buyer Attachments” in the “Actions” box

### 3. Responding to the tender

- You can now choose to “Reply” or “Reject” (please give a reason if rejecting)
- You can now use the ‘Messages’ function to communicate with the buyer and seek any clarification
- Note the deadline for completion, then follow the onscreen instructions to complete the PQQ
- There may be a mixture of online & offline actions for you to perform (there is detailed online help available)

If you require any further assistance please consult the online help, or contact the eTendering help desk.

### **Criteria regarding the personal situation of subcontractors (that may lead to their rejection) including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

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#### **III.2.2) Economic and financial ability**

##### **Criteria regarding the economic and financial standing of economic operators (that may lead to their exclusion)**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: As per the associated Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ)

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: As per the associated Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ)

##### **Criteria regarding the economic and financial standing of subcontractors (that may lead**

### **to their exclusion)**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: As per the associated Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ)

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: As per the associated Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ)

### **III.2.3) Technical and/or professional capacity**

#### **Criteria regarding the technical and/or professional ability of economic operators (that may lead to their exclusion)**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: As per the associated Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ)

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: As per the associated Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ)

#### **Criteria regarding the technical and/or professional ability of subcontractors (that may lead to their rejection)**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: As per the associated Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ)

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: As per the associated Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ)

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## **Section IV: Procedure**

### **IV.1) Type of procedure**

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Restricted

#### **IV.1.2) Limitations on the number of operators who will be invited to tender or to participate**

Envisaged minimum number 3 and maximum number 5

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: The associated Pre-Qualification Questionnaire will be used to down-select to 3-5 bidders to take forward to the Invitation To Tender stage.

## **IV.2) Award criteria**

### **IV.2.1) Award criteria**

the criteria stated in the specifications, in the invitation to tender or to negotiate or in the descriptive document

### **IV.2.2) Information about electronic auction**

An electronic auction has been used: no

## **IV.3) Administrative information**

### **IV.3.3) Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document**

Time limit for receipt of requests for documents or for accessing documents: 11 September 2024 - 5:00pm

### **IV.3.4) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

11 September 2024 - 5:00pm

### **IV.3.5) Date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

16 October 2024

### **IV.3.6) Language(s) in which tenders or requests to participate may be drawn up**

English

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## **Section VI: Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.2) Information about European Union funds**

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

### **VI.3) Additional information**

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.4) Procedures for appeal**

### **VI.4.1) Body responsible for appeal procedures**

Defence Equipment and Support

Bristol

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

### **VI.4.1) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Defence Equipment and Support

Bristol

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

### **VI.4.3) Service from which information about the lodging of appeals may be obtained**

Defence Equipment and Support

Bristol

#### **Country**

United Kingdom