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Tender

705925450 - Soldier Systems Framework Contract

Ministry of Defence

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

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

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/strategic-command>

Electronic access to information

<https://contracts.mod.uk/esop/guest/go/opportunity/detail?opportunityId=56403>

Electronic submission of tenders and requests to participate

<https://www.contracts.mod.uk/go/08670596018A27D4CD6B>

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

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

No

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1) Description

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

705925450 - Soldier Systems Framework Contract

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

Supplies

Purchase

NUTS code

- UKK - South West (England)

II.1.3) Information on framework agreement

The notice involves the establishment of a framework agreement

II.1.4) Information on framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Duration of the framework agreement

Duration in years: 7

Estimated total value of purchases for the entire duration of the framework agreement

Estimated value excluding VAT:

£32,171,276.70

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

The Soldier Systems Framework Contract (“the Contract”) is for the provision of a selection of ‘On the Man’ equipment, including both Commercially Off The Shelf (COTS) and Military Off The Shelf (MOTS) items.

The Contract will be a multi-supplier framework, utilised by Strategic Command for training and operational purposes and consist of five (5) Lots:

LOT 1. General Clothing

LOT 2. Outdoor Equipment and Clothing

LOT 3. Load Carriage

LOT 4. Medical Training Equipment

LOT 5. Maintenance Material and Equipment

Further details of each Lot can be found at Annex B of the PQQ Guidance Document (ref. 705925450_Solider_Systems_Framework_Contract_PQQ_Guidance).

Goods will be procured within the appropriate Lot through mini-competitions with a minimum threshold of £12,000.

Suppliers are invited to bid for one (1), more or all Lots.

The initial contract duration will be for a period of four (4) years, with a Limit of Liability (LOL) of £18,383,586.60. With a further three (3) single (1) year extension options.

Specific regulation and standard requirements will be provided as part of the ITT.

This procurement activity is within scope of Defence & Security Public Contract Regulations (DSPCR 2011), as this relates to the provision of goods used for military purposes. Furthermore, this procurement is operating under the Restricted Procedure.

The Soldier Systems requirement has been assessed and the security classification is confirmed as OFFICIAL SENSITIVE. A Contract award is expected in Q1 of 2024.

The Cyber Risk Profile for this requirement identified by the Cyber Risk Assessment is Not Applicable (RAR: 990716859).

II.1.6) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)

- 35812300 - Combat gear

Additional CPV code(s)

- 18141000 - Work gloves
- 18220000 - Weatherproof clothing
- 18234000 - Trousers

- 18331000 - T-shirts
- 18410000 - Special clothing
- 18425000 - Belts
- 18443340 - Caps
- 18444100 - Safety headgear
- 18521000 - Watches
- 18800000 - Footwear
- 18930000 - Sacks and bags
- 18931100 - Rucksacks
- 30237280 - Power supply accessories
- 31521320 - Torches
- 33735100 - Protective goggles
- 35121400 - Security bags
- 35811300 - Military uniforms
- 35812000 - Combat uniforms
- 35815100 - Bullet-proof vests
- 37414600 - Camping or outdoor stoves
- 37535290 - Wall and rope climbing equipment
- 38112100 - Global navigation and positioning systems (GPS or equivalent)
- 39522540 - Sleeping bags
- 44617000 - Boxes
- 50841000 - Repair and maintenance services of weapons
- 50842000 - Repair and maintenance services of weapon systems

II.1.8) Lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for one or more lots

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

Lots

LOT 1. General Clothing

LOT 2. Outdoor equipment and Clothing

LOT 3. Load Carriage

LOT 4. Medical Training Equipment

LOT 5. Maintenance Material and Equipment

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II.2.2) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of these options: The initial contract duration will be for a period of four (4) years, with a Limit of Liability (LOL) of £18,383,586.60. With a further three (3) single (1) year extension options.

II.2.3) Information about renewals

This contract is subject to renewal: No

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

Duration in months: 84 (from the award of the contract)

Information about lots

Lot No

1

Lot title

General Clothing

1) Short description

1.1. Clothing

1.1.1. Jackets

1.1.2. Trousers

1.1.3. Shirts

1.2. Headwear

1.2.1. Baseball cap

1.2.2. Beanie Hat

1.2.3. Flat Caps

1.2.4. Military Short Brimmed Jungle hat

1.2.5. Balaclavas

1.3. Footwear

1.3.1. Shoes

1.3.2. Boots

1.4. Eyewear

1.4.1. Military eyewear

1.4.2. Civilian eyewear

1.5. Gloves

1.5.1. Military pattern gloves

1.5.2. Civilian pattern gloves

1.6. Crye Clothing

1.7. A9E Equatorial Clothing

1.8. TAIGA

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3) Quantity or scope

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Estimated value excluding VAT

£32,171,276.70

4) Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion

Duration in months: 84 (from the award of the contract)

5) Additional information about lots

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Lot No

2

Lot title

Outdoor Equipment and Clothing

1) Short description

2.1. Clothing

2.1.1 Jackets

2.1.2 Trousers

2.1.3 Shirts

2.1.4 T-shirts

2.2. Safety Helmets

2.2.1 Industrial helmet

2.2.2. Climbing helmet

2.3. Carabiners

2.4. Ropes

2.5. Footwear

2.6. Gloves

2.7. Multi Tools

2.8. Sleeping Bags

2.9. Navigation Aids

2.10 Power Monkeys

2.11. Headtorches

2.12. Stoves

2.13. Watches

2.14. Wind Meters

2.15. Air Balloons

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Lot No

3

Lot title

Load Carriage

1) Short description

3.1. All Load Carriage

3.1.1. Chest Rigs

3.1.2. Belts

3.1.3. Bags

3.2. Transportation Boxes

3.3. Body Armour Carriers

3.4. Weapon Bag

3.5. Weapon Sling

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Lot No

4

Lot title

Medical Training Equipment

1) Short description

4.1. Medical supplies

4.2. Medical Response Clothing

4.3. Medical Training Equipment

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3) Quantity or scope

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Lot No

5

Lot title

Maintenance Material and Equipment

1) Short description

5.1. Cerakote paint

5.2. Parker Hale Cleaning Accessories

5.3. Bore Cam

5.4. Ultrasonic Baths

5.5. Ripcord 5.56mm

5.6. Ripcord 7.62mm

5.7. Cleaning Kit System

5.8. BONE Tool 5.56mm

5.9. BONE Tool 7.62mm

5.10. Suppressor Cleaning Systems

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Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

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)

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705925450_Solider_Systems_Framework_Contract_PQQ_Guidance.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: Refer to 705925450 - Soldier Systems Framework Contract - PQQ.

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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: Refer to 705925450 - Soldier Systems Framework Contract - PQQ.

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

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Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) Type of procedure

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Restricted

IV.3) Administrative information

IV.3.1) File reference number attributed by the contracting authority

705925450

IV.3.2) Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract

no

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

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

English

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.3) 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.

Link to DSP Opportunity and DPQQ here: