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Planning

Supply of Remote Video Viewing Aids [RVVA] / Industrial Borescope

DE&S Deca

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Scope

Reference

713458450

Description

DE&S Deca on behalf of the Ministry of Defence (MoD) has a requirement to maintain a Remote Video Viewing Aids [RVVA] / Industrial Borescope capability, for use by Inspection, Testing and Repair Teams for aircraft maintenance and repair operations.

The RVVA inventory estimated at 360 units has been rendered obsolete by the manufacturers and suppliers. Consequently, this equipment will no longer be supported post March 2026. Therefore, there is an emerging requirement to procure new replacement RVVA, together with a maintenance and training support package, in order to maintain an RVVA capability.

Total value (estimated)

- £9,300,000 excluding VAT
- £11,160,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2031
- Possible extension to 30 March 2033
- 6 years, 11 months, 30 days

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 38540000 - Machines and apparatus for testing and measuring
- 71632200 - Non-destructive testing services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Engagement

Engagement deadline

27 June 2025

Engagement process description

To sustain the capability, MOD is exploring potential future solutions, that will underpin the defence and security of the UK in the future, and as such DE&S Deca will be holding a Market Engagement Event it will be held at MOD Sealand Welsh Road, Deeside, CH5 2LS and is likely to commence on the 16th of June 2025. The objective of the Market Engagement Event is to understand the capacity and capability of the industrial base to support this capability requirement.

If you would like to take part in the Market Engagement Event Please submit an expression of interest by emailing to des-deca-mst-procurement@mod.gov.uk. Please include the following reference ' 713458450 - Supply of Remote Video Viewing Aids [RVVA] / Industrial Borescope'.

Once all expression of interest has been reviewed, we will email back the details of the event. Please email your expression of interest to the email provided by EOD 5th of June 2025.

Where relevant and appropriate, this market engagement event may be followed by further engagement exercise which will be notified through normal channels (e.g. Defence Sourcing Portal, Find a Tender)

For the avoidance of doubt, this notice is not informing the market of an imminent procurement. All costs pertaining to the completion of this response are to be borne by the responders.

Please note, procurement dates and values in this notice are subject to governance and should not be viewed as a firm commitment. This Market Engagement Event is purely to gain market knowledge to support the Statement of Requirement and is not the launch of a new procurement.

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

9 January 2026

Contracting authority

DE&S Deca

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PVRL-5831-GLMM

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Region: UKL23 - Flintshire and Wrexham

Organisation type: Public authority - central government