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## **PIN for Market Industry Day for AWE Urban Series 2022-24, AWE Urban Blunt and Dislocate**

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

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UK - United Kingdom

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Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ministry-of-defence>

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

**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**

PIN for Market Industry Day for AWE Urban Series 2022-24, AWE Urban Blunt and Dislocate

Reference number

705197450

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

The Army Warfighting Experiment Urban Series 2022-2024 is a Capability Investigation within a threat based tactical scenario.

It will employ live, virtual and constructive methods to produce evidence which: de-risks major equipment programmes; enhances relationships with industry, partners and allies; and accelerates Army modernisation and transformation.

By taking a longer, programmatic view and focusing on exploitation from the start, AWE Urban will help optimise elements of the force in order to hone the Army for urban operations.

### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services
- 73410000 - Military research and technology
- 75000000 - Administration, defence and social security services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

The Army Warfighting Experiment Urban Series 2022-2024 is a Capability Investigation within a threat based tactical scenario. AWE Urban Blunt and Dislocate (formerly Shape and Attack) will build upon the work of AWE Urban Sustain and Protect (AWE 2022), and is expected to be executed in Autumn 2023.

The launch of AWE Urban Blunt and Dislocate will take place in Autumn 2022 at a to be confirmed location.

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AWE Urban Series will help optimise elements of the force in order to hone the Army for urban operations. As such, the themes for the AWE Urban Series are:

- Sustain & Protect – Nov 2022
- Blunt and Dislocate – Autumn 2023
- Integrate – Autumn 2024

A delivery team has now been established within the Future Capability Group at DE&S to provide the stability needed for a multi-year approach and improve communications between all stakeholders.

There is an Industry Day for Blunt & Dislocate in the afternoon of 27 September 2022.

Please register your interest in attending via this link:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=7WB3vINZS0iuldChbfoJ5RZq19Y7wHNEhDlnD71E6CJUNkJaSDJQUTRTRIk3RERCRjQ4MIBPT1Y4Ri4u>

### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

26 September 2022

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **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 VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

The overarching hypotheses / challenges for AWE Urban Blunt and Dislocate are:

- Manoeuvre. If Urban Force Element Commanders have 4D (time and space) decision support and visualisation tools (including physical and human terrains), as well as systems to access the 3D spaces, then they will have better situational awareness and manoeuvrability, and generate higher quality command decisions to increase operational advantage.
- Fires. If Urban Force Elements have the ability to deliver accurate multi-domain, physical and non-physical (electromagnetic spectrum and cyber), battlespace-deconflicted Fires beyond visual line-of-sight, then they will be more efficient at prosecuting targets, and effecting the human terrain to increase operational tempo and mass.
- Information Activities. If Urban Information Manoeuvre Force Elements have the ability to map, and spoof, RED and WHITE Forces' digital (online) and physical (including printed) information influence then they will be capable of directing more effective information manoeuvre to increase operational tempo and mass.

Sub-hypotheses will be released in late Autumn 2023.