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Opportunity

## **701578667 - CCDDT/602 NANO UNMANNED AIR SYSTEMS EXPERIMENTATION PROGRAMME: FRAMEWORK RE-OPENING GATEWAY (uplifted to include sub 4kg UAS)**

Ministry of Defence

F17: Contract notice for contracts in the field of defence and security

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

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

Ministry of Defence

Abbey Wood

Bristol

BS34 8JH

#### **Contact**

Toby Love#1261

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

Toby Love

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

[toby.love103@mod.gov.uk](mailto:toby.love103@mod.gov.uk)

## **Country**

United Kingdom

## **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**

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#### **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**

ITDU - Warminster

#### **NUTS code**

- UK - United Kingdom

#### **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

Maximum number of participants to the framework agreement envisaged: 35

#### **Duration of the framework agreement**

Duration in years: 3

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

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between £10,000,000 and £20,000,000

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

On behalf of Army HQ, Defence Equipment & Support is seeking to extend the framework for the provision of nUAS which can provide real-time Situational Awareness in all light conditions in support of Military activities to include sub-4kg systems. UAS systems required are described as: sub 4kg UAS with control for not Beyond Line of Sight. The system must be deployable quickly and must be rechargeable by in service equipment. The system must have sufficient sensors to operate to its intended use case in both day and night, emitting minimal noise to reduce the risk of detection. Future in year requirements may seek to explore swarming, collaborative control and modular payload options for this higher weight category. Contractors will form part of an industry/Army collaboration team and will be required to work alongside stakeholders in order to identify the future requirement on a task to task basis.

Cyber risk is low ref:RAR-VKFY7AKP

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

- 35613000 - Unmanned aerial vehicles

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

Duration in months: 5 (from the award of the contract)

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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**

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

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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: Suppliers must successfully complete the PQQ

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: Compliant against PQQ criteria

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## **Section IV: Procedure**

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

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Restricted

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

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

CCDT/602

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

12 November 2021 - 5:00pm

#### **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.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.