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Tender

# **UKRI-3154 Indium deposition system**

**UK Research & Innovation** 

F02: Contract notice

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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## I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Swindon:-Indium./2J2786X87G

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-title/2J2786X87G

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

## I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

## I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Research and innovation

# **Section II: Object**

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

### UKRI-3154 Indium deposition system

Reference number

**UKRI-3154** 

### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 14763000 - Indium

### II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

### II.1.4) Short description

STFC Interconnect provides a range of electronic and detector assembly techniques to scientific communities within STFC and our external collaborations. We have developed a process to perform surface preparation and make micro bumps of pure Indium metal, on a range of substrates including semiconductor wafers and semiconductor die. The resulting bumps are then used in our proprietary flip chip process to make many thousands or tensof-thousands of electrical/mechanical connections in a single bonding step. The deposition process involves masking prior to deposition, then deposition, followed by removal of masked areas, leaving the desired bumps in place. Photo lithography (negative resist, lift-off) and shadow masking techniques are both used. We are now scaling this process into production and need new equipment capable of depositing on multiple substrates per day.

### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £320,000

### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

### II.2) Description

### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

Main site or place of performance

Oxfordshire

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

STFC Interconnect provides a range of electronic and detector assembly techniques to scientific communities within STFC and our external collaborations. We have developed a process to perform surface preparation and make micro bumps of pure Indium metal, on a range of substrates including semiconductor wafers and semiconductor die. The resulting bumps are then used in our proprietary flip chip process to make many thousands or tens-of-thousands of electrical/mechanical connections in a single bonding step. The deposition process involves masking prior to deposition, then deposition, followed by removal of masked areas, leaving the desired bumps in place. Photo lithography (negative resist, lift-off) and shadow masking techniques are both used. We are now scaling this process into production and need new equipment capable of depositing on multiple substrates per day.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

### II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £320,000

### II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

12

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

### II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

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

# III.1) Conditions for participation

## III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

## III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

## Section IV. Procedure

## **IV.1) Description**

### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

### IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

## IV.2) Administrative information

### IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

2 November 2023

Local time

2:00pm

### IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

### IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

### IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

2 November 2023

Local time

2:00pm

## **Section VI. Complementary information**

## VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

## VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

## VI.3) Additional information

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

https://ukri.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Swindon:-Indium./2J2786X87G

To respond to this opportunity, please click here:

https://ukri.delta-esourcing.com/respond/2J2786X87G

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## VI.4) Procedures for review

### VI.4.1) Review body

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## VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

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