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# **TREDSTONE**

Ministry of Defence

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# Section I: Contracting authority/entity

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

Ministry of Defence

Porton Down

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Contact

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For the attention of

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# 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)

# 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

Services

Service category No 3: Defence services, military defence services and civil defence services

Main site or location of works, place of delivery or of performance

**Dstl Porton Down** 

#### **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 a single operator

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

Duration in months: 48

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

Support the Dstl Specialist Systems Programme which operates within the Counter Terrorism and Security Division. The framework shall set out to support and enable delivery of novel concepts and research

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

• 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

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

# III.1) Conditions relating to the contract

III.1.4) Other particular conditions to which the performance of the contract is subject, in particular with regard to security of supply and security of information

Successful Bidder will be required to hold or obtain Facility Security Clearance (FSC) prior to Contract Award. All proposed workers under this Contract will also be required to hold SC Clearance

# 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

# 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: Please refer to the PQQ

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: Please refer to the PQQ

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

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: Please refer to the PQQ

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: Please refer to the PQQ

# **Section IV: Procedure**

# IV.1) Type of procedure

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Restricted

# IV.1.2) Limitations on the number of operators who will be invited to tender or to participate

Envisaged minimum number 6 and maximum number 8

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: Technically highest compliant score based on DPQQ

### IV.1.3) Reduction of the number of operators during the negotiation or dialogue

Recourse to staged procedure to gradually reduce the number of solutions to be discussed or tenders to be negotiated: no

# IV.2) Award criteria

#### IV.2.1) Award criteria

the criteria stated in the specifications, in the invitation to tender or to negotiate or in the descriptive document

# IV.2.2) Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction has been used: no

# IV.3) Administrative information

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

PA000001706

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

no

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

14 December 2023 - 12:00pm

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

English

# Section VI: Complementary information

# VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

# VI.2) Information about European Union funds

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

# VI.3) Additional information

The Contracting Authority intends to use an e-Tendering system in this procurement exercise, please visit <a href="www.contracts.mod.uk">www.contracts.mod.uk</a> for full details and to register your interest in this procurement.