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Planning

712978450 - Medium Range Precision Strike

Ministry of Defence

F16: Prior information 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

Defence Equipment and Support

Bristol

BS34 8JH

For the attention of

Ailis Prentice

Email(s)

Ailis.Prentice102@mod.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Further information

Further information can be obtained from the above mentioned contact point(s)

Section II: Object

II.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority/entity:

712978450 - Medium Range Precision Strike

II.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance

Supplies

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

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

II.4) Short description of nature and scope of works or nature and quantity or value of supplies or services

1. Defence Equipment and Support (DE&S), acting as an arm's length body of the Ministry of Defence (MOD), is considering a new competitive procurement to acquire a beyond visual line of sight Medium Range Precision Strike (MRPS) system for deployed forces.

2. This Prior Information Notice (PIN) has been issued to provide information to the market and for DE&S to understand the feasibility of the requirement to enable it to develop the procurement strategy.

3. The system must meet the criteria listed below:

a. The system must be portable by the user and transportable by land, air, and sea platforms with the ability to safely launch from both land and maritime platforms.

b. The system must be consistent/accurate at a minimum range of sixty kilometres (60km).

c. The system must be able to operate, with full manoeuvrability, in a range of environmental and climatic conditions providing all-weather day and night capability and be able to survive in a high threat environment.

- d. The system must be able to transmit real-time full motion video at a clear standard to perform positive identification of the target.
 - e. The munition must be able to loiter for a minimum of forty (40) minutes with a minimum average speed of one hundred kilometres per hour (100km/h).
 - f. The munition must be able to engage within the full range of the likely peer+ target sets including static and moving armour, personnel and fast inshore attack craft.
 - g. The munition must have a battery or warhead that is removable to enable safe charging of the system in a civilian depot.
 - h. The user must be able to operate the system with a capability that can, in response to real time target information, break off an engagement after initiation and then re-engage the same or different target based on user-programmed input.
 - i. The user must be able to fully utilise the system across a contested, degraded, GPS denied operating environment.
4. MRPS is anticipated to procure a minimum of two hundred (200) munitions, with the first expected equipment delivery date in 2027.
5. Note: The information contained in this PIN may be subject to change. Insofar as is permitted by law, the Authority shall not be liable for any losses incurred by any party as a result of reliance on the information contained herein.
6. DE&S is looking to hold a Market Interest Day to discuss the requirement in further detail and the potential procurement routes. This engagement will be held in-person sometime in late November / December 2024, exact date to be determined. A further PIN will be published once details for the Market Interest Day have been confirmed.
7. To express an interest in the requirement and/or an interest in attending the Market Interest Day, please provide an organisation name, point of contact, email address, telephone number, and any current capabilities or future developments to Ailis.Prentice102@mod.gov.uk.
8. Whilst a complete solution is being sought, if your organisation can offer part of the solution, DE&S encourages participation in the Market Interest Day and to explicitly state which part of the solution your organisation can offer.
9. Note: This PIN is not a means to seek formal expression of interest and shall not constitute a commitment to instigate a formal procurement process for the requirement.

Estimated value excluding VAT

£121,000,000

Lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.5) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)

- 35300000 - Weapons, ammunition and associated parts

Section IV: Procedure

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1) Information about European Union funds

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

VI.2) Additional information

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

VI.3) Information on general regulatory framework

Relevant governmental Internet sites where information can be obtained

Tax legislation

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/all?title=tax>

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