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**Planning** 

# Naval Systems Integration Process Service (NSIPS) Phase 4

Ministry of Defence

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Reducing time limits for receipt of tenders

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Defence

**Bristol** 

#### Contact

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#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### Region code

UK - United Kingdom

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

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#### I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

## I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

#### I.5) Main activity

Defence

## **Section II: Object**

#### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Naval Systems Integration Process Service (NSIPS) Phase 4

Reference number

709857458

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 72227000 - Software integration consultancy services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

NSIPS is a critical process in the assurance of correct Combat / Marine Systems integration and ensuring that the related platform safety risks are understood and

managed through the maintenance of interface records. These include the operation, development and management of an RLI accessed database to support administration of the Change Impact Assessment Process (CIAP). This being part of the Common Support Model (CSM) activity, where the assessed impact of the change needs to be captured by identified stakeholders.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £3,500,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### II.2) Description

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

- 48612000 Database-management system
- 72228000 Hardware integration consultancy services
- 73424000 Development of warships

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

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

The Authority is intending to undertake a competitive procurement exercise for the ongoing provision of the Naval Systems Integration Process Service (NSIPS), currently contracted for through Systems Engineering and Assessments Limited (SEA Ltd) under Contract reference 700008523.

The anticipated duration for any subsequent Contract being awarded is a period of up to 5 years, with potential Contract Award being circa October 2025.

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Combat System configuration records and change impacts are subsequently maintained for complex Warships and Submarines across the DE&S portfolio. The database subsequently providing key Combat System documentation for subsequent upgrades and refits. Suppliers will need to be able to deliver assured SQEP to audit complex maritime specific interfaces to underpin complex change management.

Elements of the requirement will involve exposure to, and subsequent safeguarding of, nationally sensitive information/data and equipment potentially bearing a security classification of up to and including "SECRET - UK EYES ONLY" level. Suppliers, including any sub-contract opportunities, shall therefore be required to comply with such security classification. Potential suppliers shall therefore be required to hold MOD Security Clearance (List X) prior to any future Contract being awarded in line with the Authority's programme.

If you are interested in the requirement please content the Authority's point of contact specified within this PIN. This will enable the Authority to better plan the next steps of the procurement.

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

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

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

1 January 2025

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

#### III.1) Conditions for participation

## III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

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#### III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

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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

## **Section VI. Complementary information**

## VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

## VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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