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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

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

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Further information

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

Section II: Object

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

Supplies

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

The DE&S Future Capability Group (FCG), in conjunction with the Royal Navy, are looking to demonstrate a modular (20ft ISO container) medium size loitering munition automated launch and storage POD.

The project end state is seeking to establish the viability of, and to provide, a deployable integrated launch module for loitering munitions through a successful maritime, land and littoral concept demonstration.

Industry advice is sought on the cost and timeframes (through VROM submissions) of key phases of activity to develop and demonstrate an initial concept system culminating in a number of live fire events.

This RFI invites industry to assist in establishing VROM cost and time estimates for the project in the following areas:

1. Design, build, prepare and physical integration of systems into an ISO container POD;
2. Procurement of medium sized loitering munitions to integrate into the ISO container POD;
3. and, subsequent demonstrations to include deployment of ISO container POD, targets and range costs.

4. This work is to be a concept demonstration only, in order to provide evidence for, and inform procurement decisions..
5. Type of LM should support a cost-effective approach to a concept demonstration.
6. Costs should include equipment, design, build, integration, safety, targetry and range costs.
7. UK trials are preferential but overseas trials would be warranted in support of a cost-effective programme.
8. Safe storage and maintenance of equipment delivered to support the trial should be considered.
9. Include functionality to enable remote firing.
10. Consider costs for both land and ship-based trials.
11. Assume contractor operated – i.e. no military operators but consider what a training package would look like.
12. If applicable, highlight any support required from any stakeholder OEMs, GFX, delivery partner, safety, integration and range personnel as required.

This RFI is to invite industry to assist FCG in shaping and costing this project which is potentially intended to be issued via DSP in Q2 2023.

Responses to this should be directed to Toby Love: 'tobylove103@mod.gov.uk'. Deadline for submissions is short and no later than 17:00 GMT 03 Jan 23

II.5) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)

- 35622300 - Anti-ship missiles

Additional CPV code(s)

- 35613100 - Unmanned combat aerial vehicles
- 35622600 - Anti-tank guided missiles

Section VI: Complementary information

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.