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Planning

Explosives Detection Dogs (EDD) Training Aids Framework

Home Office

F01: Prior information notice

Reducing time limits for receipt of tenders

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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LONDON

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/home-office>

Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-canine-training-and-accreditation-scheme-private-security-industry>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at

<https://homeoffice.app.jaggaer.com>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://homeoffice.app.jaggaer.com>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Public order and safety

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Explosives Detection Dogs (EDD) Training Aids Framework

Reference number

project_2330

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 35000000 - Security, fire-fighting, police and defence equipment

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The Home Office is conducting a Market Engagement exercise during November/December 2024 to explore market capability and appetite ahead of the procurement of an Explosives Detection Dogs (EDD) Training Aids Framework in Q4 FY2024/25.

The Home Office own the UK's Explosives Detection Dogs Strategy. The overarching strategic objective is to deliver robust UK detection dog capabilities against priority threats and scenarios.

As part of that Strategy, the National Canine Training and Accreditation Scheme (NCTAS) sets standards and requirements for cross-Government EDD teams, with the National Canine Training and Accreditation Scheme - Private Security Industry (NCTAS-P) (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-canine-training-and-accreditation-scheme-private-security-industry>) similarly doing so for the private sector.

In meeting those requirements, the Home Office wish to procure a framework for the provision of EDD training aids for supply to Government agencies as well as accredited and approved private sector organisations.

The Home Office are seeking to engage with organisations with existing or future capability in the manufacture - and/or supply and disposal of - explosives, non-explosive chemicals, and canine training aids.

Participation in this Market Engagement exercise is voluntary and limited to those Suppliers with demonstrable presence and capability in the relevant industries. Non-participation will not preclude any party or organisation from taking part in any later competition which the Home Office may conduct.

This procurement - including the Market Engagement phase - will be managed electronically via the Home Office's e-Sourcing Portal (JAGGAER). To participate, suppliers must first be registered on the e-Sourcing Portal. If you have not yet registered on the e-Sourcing Portal, this can be done online at <https://homeoffice.app.jaggaer.com> by following the link 'To register click here'.

Information we intend to distribute in accordance with the EDD Training Aids project is sensitive. As such, we will require a Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) and a Security Aspects Letter (SAL) to be completed by all interested parties before access to further information can be provided.

Should you wish to participate in the Market Engagement exercise, please follow the below steps:

1. Register your organisation on the Home Office eSourcing portal or confirm access to your existing account.
2. Register your interest in the EDD Training Aids Market Engagement exercise via email to CollaborativeProcurement@homeoffice.gov.uk ensuring the subject line is as follows: HSG EDD Training Aids - MEQ Supplier Interest.
3. Review, sign, and return the NDA and SAL to the Home Office. Following receipt you will be added to the Project. The Market Engagement Pack will be shared via portal.

We will be requesting Market Engagement Questionnaire responses be returned via the portal between the 5th and 9th of December, date to be finalised.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £8,200,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

The contracting authority reserves the right to award contracts combining the following lots or groups of lots:

The Home Office reserves the right to award contracts combining any lots or groups of lots. Further clarity will be provided in later notices. Lot structure and scope subject to amendment following Market Engagement.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

1.1D Explosives Dog Training Aids

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 24610000 - Prepared explosives

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The manufacture of EDD Training Aids containing commercially available explosives classified at 1.1D hazard class or lower, prepared in accordance with strict contamination control procedures.

Detailed specification classified at OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE and will be shared to interested parties following the receipt of a signed SAL and NDA only. Lot structure and contents subject to change following outputs from Market Engagement.

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

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

Duration in months

48

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Ammonium Nitrate-based Explosives Dog Training Aids

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 24610000 - Prepared explosives

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The manufacture of EDD Training Aids made from commercially available components resulting in explosives classified at 1.1D hazard class or lower, prepared in accordance with strict contamination control procedures.

Detailed specification classified at OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE and will be shared to interested parties following the receipt of a signed SAL and NDA only. Lot structure and contents subject to change following outputs from Market Engagement.

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

Duration in months

48

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Free From Explosives Dog Training Aids

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 35331100 - Bullets
- 35341000 - Parts of light firearms

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The manufacture of Free from Explosives EDD Training Aids containing commercially available firearms and component parts, prepared in accordance with strict contamination control procedures.

Detailed specification classified at OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE and will be shared to interested parties following the receipt of a signed SAL and NDA only. Lot structure and contents subject to change following outputs from Market Engagement.

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

Duration in months

48

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Non-Explosive Chemical Mixtures Dog Training Aids

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 24300000 - Basic inorganic and organic chemicals

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The manufacture of non-explosive EDD Training Aids made from commercially available chemical mixtures, prepared in accordance with strict safety and contamination control procedures.

Detailed specification classified at OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE and will be shared to interested parties following the receipt of a signed SAL and NDA only. Lot structure and contents subject to change following outputs from Market Engagement.

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

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

Duration in months

42

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Synthesised Explosives Dog Training Aids

Lot No

5

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 24600000 - Explosives

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The manufacture of EDD Training Aids synthesised from commercially available precursors resulting in aids classified at 4.1 hazard class, prepared in accordance with strict safety and contamination control procedures.

Detailed specification classified at OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE and will be shared to interested parties following the receipt of a signed SAL and NDA only. Lot structure and contents subject to change following outputs from Market Engagement.

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

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

Duration in months

42

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Disposal of Explosives Dog Training Aids

Lot No

6

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 24610000 - Prepared explosives
- 90510000 - Refuse disposal and treatment

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The disposal and/or refurbishment of expired Lot 1-5 EDD Training Aids in line with regulatory and contamination control requirements.

Detailed specification classified at OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE and will be shared to interested parties following the receipt of a signed SAL and NDA only. Lot structure and contents subject to change following outputs from Market Engagement.

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

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

Duration in months

48

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

6 January 2025

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 6

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.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The Secretary of State for the Home Department (The Home Office)

London

Country

United Kingdom