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## **S&MOCB/9000 - Procurement and Support of Remotely Operated Underwater Vehicle**

Ministry of Defence

F16: Prior information notice for contracts in the field of defence and security

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04c16b

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

Ministry of Defence

Ministry of Defence Salvage and Marine Operations (SALMO), Abbey Wood (South), NH3

Bristol

BS34 8JH

#### **Contact**

Huw Davies

#### **For the attention of**

Huw Davies

#### **Email(s)**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

### **Further information**

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

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## **Section II: Object**

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

S&MOCB/9000 - Procurement and Support of Remotely Operated Underwater Vehicle

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

Supplies

Service category No 1: Maintenance and repair services

### **NUTS code**

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.3) Information on framework agreement**

The notice involves the establishment of a framework agreement: No

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

Following the issue of the following PINs, below, DE&S – Salvage and Marine Operations (SALMO) team would like to thank all companies that have expressed an interest in supplying the intended procurement of equipment and support as described.

- PIN 1 on 21st June 2022
- PIN 2 on 27th July 2022
- PIN 3 on 27th Nov 2022
- PIN 4 on 16th May 2023

This 5th PIN is to advise Industry that the next stage of Market Research will be to invite interested companies individually to Ministry of Defence (MOD), Abbey Wood, Bristol, BS34 8JH, to present their capability to the Authority. The Authority is planning to hold face-to-face engagement with industry the week commencing 13 January 2025 at the MOD. Please respond to this Prior Information Notice (PIN) prior to 16 December 2024.

There is continued intent to publish a contract notice for the potential procurement of a deep-water work class Remotely Operating Vehicle and supporting equipment.

SALMO originally planned to issue a contract notice for this requirement within financial year 2022/2023. This date for release of the contract notice is now estimated to be in financial year 2025/2026, with the indicative contract award timeframe, subject to financial approval, estimated to be in financial year 2026/2027.

## **Lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.5) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

- 43135000 - Subsea equipment

## **II.7) Additional information**

The Salvage and Marine Operations (SALMO) Team within the MOD, have a potential requirement procure a deep-water work class Remotely Operating Vehicle and supporting equipment in order to carry out it's core salvage activities. The intent is that the ROV should be capable of object manipulation and high-resolution imagery below a depth of 4000m.

The intended procurement is for at least one, work class Remotely Operated Vehicle system, capable below 4000m including the vehicle, launch and recovery system, control, workshop and supporting ISO containers and is to be readily deployable via road transportation. The intent is also to procure a training and an in-service support solution package for at least one year. SALMO plan to issue a contract notice for this requirement in 2025/2026. Indicative contract award timeframe, subject to financial approval, is currently estimated to be in financial year 2026/2027.

There is a requirement for the system to be procured and supported via a UK prime contractor.

In issuing this PIN and engaging with the market, neither SALMO nor MoD are committing to carry out any procurement in relation to the information stated in this PIN.

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## **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](http://www.contracts.mod.uk) for full details and to register your interest in this procurement.