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Planning

715409453 - Personal Location Transmitters (PLTs) - UK1

Submarine Delivery Agency

UK2: Preliminary market engagement notice - Procurement Act 2023 - [view information about notice types](#)

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Scope

Reference

715409453

Description

Personal Location Transmitters (PLTs), previously known as Personal Locator Beacons (PLBs), is a man overboard identification and location system which are carried on all Royal Navy submarines providing improved likelihood of survivor location following escape or abandonment in the event of a Distressed Submarine (DISSUB).

Interested parties are to note:

- This Preliminary Market Engagement Notice is invite suppliers to take part in market engagement for this potential future requirement and is not a formal request for Expressions of Interest (EOI) nor a commitment to run a procurement exercise.
- The publication date of the UK 4 Tender Notice, Contract start date and Contract end date are an estimate and is still subject to change.

Total value (estimated)

- £4,583,333.33 excluding VAT
- £5,500,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 1 April 2031
- Possible extension to 1 April 2036
- 10 years, 1 day

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 35512000 - Submarines
- 35512100 - Strategic submarine nuclear fuelled
- 35512200 - Attack submarine nuclear fuelled

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom
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Engagement

Engagement deadline

22 August 2025

Engagement process description

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The Submarine Delivery Agency (SDA) has a requirement to procure PLTs. Consequently, the Authority seeks to assess the commercial market's capability to tender solutions that meet this future procurement need. This process will enable the Authority to plan activities effectively and may assist in shaping the future procurement strategy and defining the scope of the requirement.

For further details, please refer to the attached Request for Information (RFI) which is included as part of the Opportunity Listing on the Defence Sourcing Portal (DSP). The Authority welcomes responses to the questions outlined in Annex A. Organisations interested in providing information are invited to contact Martha Frankland at martha.frankland100@mod.gov.uk.

The RFI closure date is 22nd August 2025 at 23:59.

This RFI does not represent a contractual commitment of any kind at this time. Any work undergone as a result of this request is done so at your organisations risk. This RFI is not a commitment by the UK Ministry of Defence to place an order or a Tender in the future.

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

21 November 2025

Procedure

Special regime

Defence and security

Contracting authority

Submarine Delivery Agency

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government