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Contract

# 704104450 - Maritime Command & Staff Trainer (MCAST)

Ministry of Defence

F18: Contract award notice for contracts in the field of defence and security

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## Section I: Contracting authority/entity

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

Ministry of Defence

MOD Abbey Wood

Bristol

**BS34 8JH** 

Contact

Synthetic Environments and Training

For the attention of

Smith, Alex

Email(s)

alex.smith202@mod.gov.uk

Country

#### **United Kingdom**

## I.2) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions

## I.3) Main activity

Defence

# Section II: Object of the contract

## II.1) Description

#### II.1.1) Title attributed to the contract

704104450 - Maritime Command & Staff Trainer (MCAST)

#### II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance

Services

Service category No 3: Defence services, military defence services and civil defence services

#### **NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

#### II.1.4) Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

The MCAST System will provide a virtual environment for Maritime Battlestaffs (MBS) Tier 1, 2 and 2+ training and assurance exercises. The MCAST System will also provide interface to MBS participation in Tier 3 exercises run by other organisations with the potential to stretch to join Tier 4 exercises. At a lower level MCAST might be exploited for specific Tier 1 training delivered to the MBS or sub-teams.

The intent is for MCAST to be capable of linking to the wider Defence synthetic training environments. Compliance with Defence Modelling and Simulation Coherence (DMaSC) principles, as defined in JSP 939, will enhance coherence and interoperability, enable efficiencies, and facilitate integration with other synthetic environments. Links to NATO, other international partners and, potentially, component level organisations are expected

to follow.

The initial 5 Year Contract Period has a value of £24,817,763.88, with the costed options (including two +1 year options) taking the overall Contract Value to £34,000,000.00

#### II.1.5) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)

• 80610000 - Training and simulation in security equipment

#### Additional CPV code(s)

• 35740000 - Battle simulators

## II.2) Total final value of contract(s)

## II.2.1) Total final value of contract(s)

Value: £34,000,000

**Excluding VAT** 

## **Section IV: Procedure**

## Type of procedure

Negotiated with publication of a contract notice

## IV.2) Award criteria

## IV.2.2) Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction has been used: no

## Section V: Award of contract

#### **Contract No**

704104450

# V.1) Date of contract award decision

31 July 2025

## V.2) Information about offers

Number of offers received

2

Number of offers received by electronic means

2

# V.3) Name and address of economic operator in favour of whom the contract award decision has been taken

QinetiQ LTD

Ively Road

Farnborough

**GU14 0LS** 

## Country

**United Kingdom** 

**National registration number** 

03796233

## V.4) Information on value of contract

Total final value of the contract

Value: £34,000,000

**Excluding VAT** 

# **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