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Tender

ATLANTIC NET

Ministry of Defence

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Scope

Description

The Ministry of Defence would like to announce the intention to publish an Invitation to Tender (ITT) to contract a Commercial Mission Partner(s) (CMP) as part of the Royal Navy's Atlantic Net (AN) initiative in the near future.

AN will deliver Underwater Intelligence, Surveillance & Reconnaissance (ISR) as a service through a Contractor Owned, Contractor Operated, Naval Oversight (COCONO) model. AN will be data focussed, providing information direct to the Maritime Operational Commander ashore to inform decision making.

Prospective bidders interested in participating in this ITT should contact the AN Commercial Mailbox expressing interest in this opportunity:

NavyDEV-UWBPJCABOT-Commercial@mod.gov.uk.

Further instructions will be provided to organisations upon receipt of expressions of interest including detailed security instructions.

The procurement process will be run through the Defence Sourcing Portal (DSP), therefore interested parties should ensure they are registered on the portal in advance. Please visit the DSP for Supplier guidance and details on how to register at:

https://contracts.mod.uk/esop/ogc-host/public/mod/web/login.html?VISITORID=e69925cf-8489-468e-89bb-747dc9ef637d&_ncp=1758885637740.1948901-1

A procurement launch event took place virtually on 15 October 2025, following earlier phases of market engagement. Information in relation to the completed market engagement is available on the DSP.

Please note, this procurement is exempt from the Procurement Act 2023 under Defence Intelligence and National Security Grounds. The Authority intends to follow the spirit of the Procurement Act where possible, hence the open publication of this notice. However, not all information is able to be provided at OFFICIAL as would be required in a complete notice. As stated in such sections, full details are in the Tender documentation, available upon following the instructions that will be provided once a supplier expresses their interest in accordance with the above.

Please also refer to previously published notice 2025/S 000-028641.

Commercial tool

Establishes an open framework

A series of frameworks with substantially the same terms. Awarded suppliers are carried over and new suppliers can bid.

Total value (estimated)

- £0.83 excluding VAT
- £1 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 17 December 2025 to 31 March 2026
- 3 months, 15 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 34511100 - Marine patrol vessels
- 35512400 - Unmanned underwater vehicles
- 71354500 - Marine survey services
- 73112000 - Marine research services
- 79715000 - Patrol services
- 98362100 - Marine-base support services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Lot constraints

Description of how multiple lots may be awarded:

Full details are in the Tender documentation, available in accordance with the Participation information

Lot 1. Lot 1 (Commercial Mission Partner)

Description

Lot 1 – Commercial Mission Partner: This Lot is for the Commercial Mission Partner(s). Each successful Commercial Mission Partner will be awarded their own Commercial Mission Partner Call - Off Contract, detailing the milestones, deliverables and commercial terms that are specific and relevant to them.

Lot value (estimated)

- £0.83 excluding VAT
- £1 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 2. Potential Supplier Pool

Description

Lot 2 – Atlantic Net Potential Supplier Pool: This Lot is for suitably qualified Suppliers which were unsuccessful in securing a Commercial Mission Partner Contract but have a solution or service offering which may be of interest to the

Authority and, consequently, may be contracted for through a Call-Off Contract at any point during the Term of the Open Framework.

Lot value (estimated)

- £0.83 excluding VAT
- £1 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Framework

Open framework scheme end date (estimated)

17 December 2027

Maximum number of suppliers

10

Maximum percentage fee charged to suppliers

0%

Framework operation description

Full details are in the Tender documentation, available in accordance with the Participation information.

Award method when using the framework

Either with or without competition

Contracting authorities that may use the framework

Establishing party only

Participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

Lot 1. Lot 1 (Commercial Mission Partner)

Lot 2. Potential Supplier Pool

Full details are in the Tender documentation, available in accordance with the Participation information

Technical ability conditions of participation

Lot 1. Lot 1 (Commercial Mission Partner)

Lot 2. Potential Supplier Pool

Full details are in the Tender documentation, available in accordance with the Participation information

Particular suitability

Lot 1. Lot 1 (Commercial Mission Partner)

Lot 2. Potential Supplier Pool

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

5 November 2025, 5:00pm

Submission type

Requests to participate

Deadline for requests to participate

26 November 2025, 11:59am

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://contracts.mod.uk/esop/ogc-host/public/mod/web/login.html>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

17 December 2025

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Technical	Full details are in the Tender documentation, available in accordance with the Participation information	Quality	70%
Commercial	Full details are in the Tender documentation, available in accordance with the Participation information	Price	30%

Other information

Payment terms

Full details are in the Tender documentation, available in accordance with the Participation information

Description of risks to contract performance

Full details are in the Tender documentation, available in accordance with the Participation information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Competitive flexible procedure

Special regime

Defence and security

Competitive flexible procedure description

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Documents

Documents to be provided after the tender notice

Via DSP.

Contracting authority

Ministry of Defence

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PHVX-4316-ZVGZ

Whitehall

London

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United Kingdom

Contact name: Commercial Team

Email: NavyDEV-UWBPJCABOT-Commercial@mod.gov.uk

Website: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ministry-of-defence>

Region: UKI32 - Westminster

Organisation type: Public authority - central government