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**Planning** 

# **Future Defence Support Services (FDSS)**

Defence Equipment and Support

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#### Scope

#### Reference

FDSS UK1

### **Description**

The Authority requirement is for a Supplier to provide under a one Lot Model:

 A Sourcing, Procurement and Inventory Management (SP&IM) capability for the range of

materiel set out below (hereafter referred to as the SP&IM Materiel Range)

• A worldwide Storage & Stock Management capability for the SP&IM Materiel Range and the full Authority Managed Materiel range of Defence Materiel, noting:

- o Will include the receipt, store, maintenance, issue and disposal of materiel.
- o Some items will require additional services e.g. inspection, repair, maintenance, service and calibration as part of the receipt and issue process
- Load sortation, consolidation and cross-docking services
- A worldwide Movement & Distribution capability for the movement of Defence Materiel incorporating all modes of transportation including Road, Rail, Air & Sea.

The SP&IM Materiel Range shall include items in the following 3 high-level ranges:

1. Support the Human Being (and Defence Animals) - items related to the life-support of Defence

personnel. Example scope of items include:

- Medical, Dental and Veterinary Equipment (MDVE) including Blood and Blood products
- Recreational and Athletic Equipment as well as Toiletries, Cleaning Equipment and Supplies
- Clothing, Individual Equipment and Insignia (includes Personal Protective Equipment)
- Subsistence (Food both fresh and packaged, Beverages)
- 2. Platform Componentry items which are used to support higher level assemblies which form Defence

equipment's in the Land, Air and Maritime environments. Example scope of items include:

- Fire Control Equipment
- Aviation Spares and Components
- Maritime Spares and Components
- Land Spares and Components
- Batteries, Power and Electrical Components
- Construction, Fluid and Water Handling Equipment

- Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, and Lighting components
- Bearings, Oils, Lubricants and Associated Products
- Agriculture and Materials Handling Equipment components
- 3. Off Platform items which support Defence Outputs, but which are not intrinsic to vehicle/equipment

assemblies. Example of scope of items include:

- Tools and Workshop Equipment
- Construction and Materials
- Alarms, Signals and Stationery
- Furniture, Fittings and Lighting
- Hardware, Abrasives, Brushes, Paints and Adhesives
- Musical and Photographic Equipment
- Industrial Gases and Chemicals

Potential Future scope during the duration of the contract may include:

• Expansion of scope of sourcing, procurement and inventory management scope to increase range

of materiel under management in specified categories.

• Expansion and optimisation of storage and stock management network in terms of scale, type and purpose of

Storage and geographic location (including potential for international locations) and Contractors on Deployed Operations

(CONDO) support.

- Expansion of distribution and movement services in terms of scale, type and purpose of movement.
- Expansion of role in repair maintenance, repair and calibration of Medical equipment in

support of medical equipment

Increased scope of responsibility for disposal services.

The Authority's objective is to enhance resilience, agility, and scalability to better support the latest Defence Planning

Assumptions in the Defence Support and Supply Chain strategies.

This will include the need for MOD to reduce a proportion of MOD-owned warehousing estate

The scope of activity required by the Authority may require contractors to team with one or more companies

to deliver the full, end to end, output-based FDSS requirement using the suppliers underpinning IS/IT. By

its nature, MOD expects to see SME involvement in the sourcing of the commodities but managed

holistically by the winning Bidders.

Classification of Tender Documents is OFFICIAL - SENSITIVE

The Cyber Risk Profile is High - RAR-250417A05

The pricing model will be based on performance and will include incentivisation

The contract will be the Model Services Contract v.2.2 with narrative DEFCONs and bespoke

project-specific drafting.

The Common Procurement Vocabulary (CPV) Code is 75131000 - Government services

- Packaging and Handling Equipment
- Food Preparation Equipment and Agricultural Supplies
- Weapons, Weapon Spares and Ancillaries

#### **Total value (estimated)**

- £8,000,000,000 excluding VAT
- £9,600,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

#### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 5 June 2028 to 4 June 2038
- Possible extension to 5 June 2040
- 12 years, 1 day

Description of possible extension:

Contract can be extended by 2 x 12 months

## **Options**

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

additional scope that could be added to the FDSS contract are; further commodity procurement, additional warehousing and additional transportation requirements.

### Main procurement category

Services

#### **CPV** classifications

• 75131000 - Government services

- 79991000 Stock-control services
- 63120000 Storage and warehousing services
- 63100000 Cargo handling and storage services
- 63520000 Transport agency services
- 63111000 Container handling services
- 60160000 Mail transport by road
- 60180000 Hire of goods-transport vehicles with driver
- 60200000 Railway transport services
- 60400000 Air transport services
- 60640000 Shipping operations
- 44100000 Construction materials and associated items
- 44400000 Miscellaneous fabricated products and related items
- 44600000 Tanks, reservoirs and containers; central-heating radiators and boilers
- 44423300 Goods-handling equipment
- 42961400 Dispatch system
- 15000000 Food, beverages, tobacco and related products
- 39200000 Furnishing
- 30190000 Various office equipment and supplies
- 39100000 Furniture
- 15800000 Miscellaneous food products
- 18000000 Clothing, footwear, luggage articles and accessories
- 33000000 Medical equipments, pharmaceuticals and personal care products
- 44500000 Tools, locks, keys, hinges, fasteners, chain and springs

- 24000000 Chemical products
- 39800000 Cleaning and polishing products
- 35800000 Individual and support equipment
- 09211000 Lubricating oils and lubricating agents
- 31000000 Electrical machinery, apparatus, equipment and consumables; lighting
- 39500000 Textile articles
- 03410000 Wood
- 44440000 Bearings
- 44800000 Paints, varnishes and mastics
- 34731000 Parts for aircraft
- 35100000 Emergency and security equipment
- 34900000 Miscellaneous transport equipment and spare parts
- 37300000 Musical instruments and parts
- 38650000 Photographic equipment
- 31625000 Burglar and fire alarms
- 34300000 Parts and accessories for vehicles and their engines
- 42130000 Taps, cocks, valves and similar appliances
- 42500000 Cooling and ventilation equipment
- 42600000 Machine tools
- 38000000 Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)
- 44619000 Other containers
- 22470000 Manuals
- 37420000 Gymnasium equipment

- 39162000 Educational equipment
- 50000000 Repair and maintenance services

#### **Contract locations**

• UK - United Kingdom

# **Participation**

## Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

as per the Procurement Specific Questionnaire (PSQ) that will accompany the Tender Notice

## Technical ability conditions of participation

as per the Procurement Specific Questionnaire (PSQ) that will accompany the Tender Notice

#### **Submission**

# Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

5 November 2025

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17 November 2025, 11:59pm

## **Submission type**

Requests to participate

## Deadline for requests to participate

1 December 2025, 11:59pm

### Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

## Languages that may be used for submission

English

## Award decision date (estimated)

1 October 2027

## **Procedure**

## **Procedure type**

Competitive flexible procedure

#### Special regime

Defence and security

#### Competitive flexible procedure description

Step 1 - Nov 25 Publish tender notice, and Procurement Specific Questionnaire (PSQ) along with associated interim

tender documents

- Step 2 Receive requests to participate along with completed PSQ
- Step 3 Determine whether the supplier is an excluded or excludable supplier
- Step 4 Evaluate PSQ's Part 3a of the PSQ will be evaluated using a Pass/Fail mechanism.
- Step 5 Notify Suppliers of PSQ Pass/Fail all Suppliers that Pass will be issued an ITN
- Step 6 Issue full set of Tender 1 Docs to all Suppliers that have passed the PSQ
- Step 7 Feb/Mar 26 Bidders conference will be held
- Step 8 Receive Tender 1 back from Bidders
- Step 9 Undertake evaluation in accordance with Award Criteria
- Step 10 Notify suppliers and invite to the next stage, the Negotiation phase, up to 3 Suppliers will be taken through to the negotiation phase.
- Step 11 Start negotiation phase
- Step 12 Issue Tender 2
- Step 13 Receive Tender 2 (final tender) back from Bidders
- Step 14 Assess final tender
- Step 15 Issue Assessment summaries

Step 16 - Publish contract Award Notice

Step 17 - Observe mandatory standstill period - minimum 8 working days

Step 18 - Enter into contract

#### **Documents**

#### Documents to be provided after the tender notice

via a link within the Tender Notice

# **Contracting authority**

# **Defence Equipment and Support**

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Region: UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

Organisation type: Public authority - central government