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**Title: United Kingdom-Bristol: General Support Bridge**

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**SECTION I: CONTRACTING AUTHORITY**

**I.1) Name, Address and Contact Point(s)**

<b>Official Name:</b> Ministry of Defence, Land Equipment, Operational Infrastructure (OI)		
<b>Postal Address:</b> Elm Level 1c I #4140, MOD Abbey Wood		
<b>Town:</b> Bristol	<b>Postal Code:</b> BS348JH	<b>Country:</b> UK
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<b>General Address of the contracting authority (URL)</b> <a href="http://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ministry-of-defence">http://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ministry-of-defence</a>		
<b>Address of the Buyers Profile (URL)</b>		
Further information can be obtained at:		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> As in above mentioned contact point(s)

	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Please complete Annex A.I</i>
Specifications and further documents can be obtained at:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> As in above mentioned contact point(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Please complete Annex A.II</i>
Tenders or requests to participate must be sent to:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> As in above mentioned contact point(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Please complete Annex A.III</i>

**I.2) Type of contracting Authority and Main Activity or Activities**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local sub-divisions	<input type="checkbox"/> General public services
<input type="checkbox"/> National or federal agency/Office	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Defence
<input type="checkbox"/> Regional or local Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Public order and safety
<input type="checkbox"/> Regional or local Agency/Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Environment
<input type="checkbox"/> Body governed by public law	<input type="checkbox"/> Economic and financial affairs
<input type="checkbox"/> European Institution/Agency or International Organisation	<input type="checkbox"/> Health
	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing and community amenities
	<input type="checkbox"/> Social protection
	<input type="checkbox"/> Recreation, culture and religion
	<input type="checkbox"/> Education

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: **No**

**SECTION II: OBJECT OF THE CONTRACT**

**II.1) Description**

II.1.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority  
Project TYRO — General Support Bridge

II.1.2) Type of supplies contract

- Purchase
- Rent
- Lease
- Hire-purchase
- Combination of these

Main site or location of works, place of delivery or performance

City of Bristol.

NUTS Code UKK11

II.1.3) Information on framework agreement

- The notice involves the establishment of a framework agreement

II.1.4) Information on framework agreement *(if applicable)*

- Framework agreement with a single operators
- Framework agreement with several operators

Number of participants to the framework agreement envisaged

Duration of the framework agreement

Justification for a framework agreement the duration of which exceeds seven years

Estimated total value of purchases for the entire duration of the framework agreement

Frequency and value of the contracts to be awarded

II.1.5) Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

Mobile bridges. Operational Infrastructure team has identified a possible future requirement to procure and support a Heavy Forces General Support Bridging (GSB) capability for use by UK Armed Forces until at least 2040. The GSB system is used within the indirect fire zone and must provide a minimum Military Load Classification (MLC) of 100 (Tracked).

II.1.6) Common Procurement Vocabulary (CPV)

Main vocabulary    Supplementary vocabulary *(when applicable)*

Main object                    **34144300**

Additional objects

II.1.7) Information about subcontracting

- The tenderer has to indicate in the tender any share of the contract it may intend to subcontract to third parties and any proposed subcontractor, as well as the subject-matter of the subcontracts for which they are proposed.
- The tenderer has to indicate any change occurring at the level of subcontractors during the execution of the contract.
- The contracting authority/entity may oblige the successful tenderer to award all or certain subcontracts through the procedure set out in Title III of Directive 2009/81/EC.
- The successful tenderer is obliged to specify which part or parts of the contract it intends to subcontract beyond the required percentage and to indicate the subcontractors already identified.
- The successful tenderer is obliged to subcontract the following share of the contract through the procedure set out in Title III of Directive 2009/81/EC: minimum percentage: (%), maximum percentage: (%) of the value of the contract. (The maximum percentage may not exceed 30% of the value of the contract)

II.1.8) Division into lots

No

II.1.9) Will variants be accepted

No

**II.2) Quantity or Scope of the Contract**

II.2.1) Total quantity or scope

Project Scope (Equipment Supply): Provision of General Support Bridge sets with a Military Load Classification of at least MLC100(T) which can be launched using a Wheeled General Launch Vehicle (GLV) and Wheeled General Resupply Vehicles (GRV)/Trailers to transport bridging components.

Initial Equipment Quantities: finalised fleet numbers are subject to the potential providers equipment proposals and affordability. However, the information below provides an expected range for each major sub-system:

(a) 11-13 bridges capable of spanning a gap of at least 30 m and, with the use of additional supplied equipment, scalable to achieve a 60 m gap crossing,

(b) 7-13 wheeled general launch vehicles plus sufficient wheeled general resupply vehicles/trailers to transport bridging components.

Support solution: the potential provider is expected to supply a full integrated logistic support package for the offered equipment. The extent of the in-service support is subject to value for money decisions but may range from a Traditional Support solution (i.e. repairs, post design services) through to Contracting for availability. Coherence with the Army's Whole Force Approach initiative is sought.

Contract: it is the department's intent to award a single contract for this requirement, covering the demonstration, manufacture and initial in-service support activity for the GSB system. Demonstration of the proposed GSB system is expected to take place approximately 30 months after contract award and manufacture to be completed circa 75 months after contract award. The in-service support element of the contract should be in place to support the first delivered system and is anticipated to operate for a further 60 months after delivery of the final system. The contract will include options to both procure additional components or complete bridging systems and extend the support element of the contract potentially to its planned out of service date.

Contract rationalisation: it is the department's intention to run this competition simultaneously with the requirement for a Close Support Bridging capability (CSB). It should be noted that a single contract may be awarded to encompass both the CSB and GSB requirement if the same potential provider wins both competitions.

Estimated value range between 50 000 000 and 150 000 000

Currency: GBP

#### II.2.2) Information about options

1) Potential additional optional years for in service support out to 2040;

2) Potential options to provide additional bridge sets and vehicles.

Provisional timetable for recourse to these options

120 months (from award of the contract)

#### II.2.3) Information about renewals

Number of possible renewals:

In the case of renewable supplies or service contracts, estimated time frame for subsequent contracts:

### **SECTION III: LEGAL, ECONOMIC, FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

#### **SECTION IV: PROCEDURE**

##### **IV.1) Type of Procedure**

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Restricted

Accelerated restricted

- Negotiated
- Accelerated negotiated
- Competitive dialogue

Justification for the choice of accelerated procedure

IV.1.2) Limitations on the number of operators who will be invited to tender or to participate  
Envisaged minimum number 1

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates

Suppliers must read through this set of instructions and follow the process to respond to this opportunity.

The information and/or documents for this opportunity are available on <https://www.contracts.mod.uk/delta>

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Suppliers must login, go to your response manager and add the following access code: 5U9TTA29K9

Please ensure you follow any instruction provided to you here.

The deadline for submitting your response(s) is 25.1.2019 (12:00). Please ensure that you allow yourself plenty of time when responding to this invite prior to the closing date and time, especially if you have been asked to upload documents.

If you experience any difficulties please refer to the online Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's) or the User Guides or contact the MOD DCO Helpdesk by emailing — [support@contracts.mod.uk](mailto:support@contracts.mod.uk) or call 0800 282 324

IV.1.3) Reduction of the number of operators during the negotiation or dialogue

- Recourse to staged procedure to gradually reduce the number of solutions to be discussed or tenders to be negotiated

**IV.2) Award Criteria**

A) Lowest Price No

B) The most economically advantageous tender in terms of:

B1) Criteria as stated in contract documents: Yes

B2) Criteria as stated below: No

Criteria Weighting

IV.2.2) An electronic auction will be used  
No

**IV.3 Administrative Information**

IV.3.1) Reference number attributed to the notice by the contracting authority  
OIP/0045/GSB

IV.3.2) Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract

- Prior Information Notice
- Notice on a Buyer Profile

Other previous publications

IV.3.3) Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents  
Obtainable until

Price (*where applicable*) Currency:

Terms and method of payment:

IV.3.4) Time-limit for requests to participate  
25-01-2019 12:00

IV.3.5) Date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates  
Estimated date 31-07-2019

IV.3.6) Language or languages in which tenders or requests to participate can be drawn up  
 EN

## SECTION VI: COMPLIMENTARY INFORMATION

**VI.1) Indicate whether this procurement is a recurrent one and the Estimated timing for further notices to be published**

**VI.2) Does the contract relate to a Project/Programme financed by Community Funds?**  
No

*If yes, indicate the project/programme and any useful reference*

**VI.3) Additional Information**

The Authority reserves the right to amend any condition related to security of information to reflect any changes in national law or government policy. If any contract documents are accompanied by instructions on safeguarding classified information (e.g. a Security Aspects Letter), the Authority reserves the right to amend the terms of these instructions to reflect any changes in national law or government policy, whether in respect of the applicable protective marking scheme, specific protective markings given, the aspects to which any protective marking applies, or otherwise. The link below to the Gov.uk website provides information on the Government Security Classification.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government-security-classifications>

Advertising Regime OJEU: this contract opportunity is published in the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU), the MoD Defence Contracts Bulletin and <http://www.contracts.mod.uk>

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GO Reference: GO-20181212-DCB-13717911

**VI.4) Procedures for appeal**

**VI.4.1) Body responsible for appeal procedures**

**Official Name:**

Ministry of Defence, Land Equipment, Operational Infrastructure Programme (OIP)

**Postal Address:**

**Town:**

Bristol

**Postal Code:**

**Country:**

UK

**E-Mail:**

**Telephone:**

**Internet address (URL):**

**Fax:**

**Body responsible for mediation procedures**

**Official Name:**

**Postal Address:**

**Town:**

**Postal Code:**

**Country:**

**E-Mail:**

**Telephone:**

**Internet address (URL):**

**Fax:**

**VI.4.2) Lodging of appeals**

**Precise information on deadline(s) for lodging appeals:**

**VI.4.3) Service from which information about the lodging of appeals may be obtained**

**Official Name:**

**Postal Address:**

**Town:**

**Postal Code:**

**Country:**

**E-Mail:**

**Telephone:**

**Internet address (URL):**

**Fax:**

**VI.5) Dispatch date of this Notice**

12-12-2018