



Title GB-Bristol: Deployable Voice Control System Reference TKR-201943-DCB-14743291 Publication Date April 4, 2019 **Deadline Date** May 15, 2019 37 days to go Type of Procedure N/A Contract **Nature of Procurement Contract Notice** Description Communications control system. Command and control system. The Ministry of Defence has an enduring requirement to deliver a Deployable Air Surveillance and Control System (DASACS) capability to the Royal Air Force. Awarding Authority Ministry of Defence, ISTAR, Situational Awareness Command and Control (SACC) Delivery Team Abbey Wood, #1113, Spruce 1C Bristol BS34 8JH GB Hannah Jones 030 679 88761 hannah.jones124@mod.gov.uk https://www.contracts.mod.uk/ **United Kingdom** Country Value of Contract £ 10,000,000 Estimated Annual Value Check Contract

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1. Contract Title: GB-Bristol: Deployable Voice Control System

2. Section (DIO only):



1. MOD Contract Notice Nr:SACC/00052

1. Deadline for Expression of Interest: 15/05/2019

2. Proposed/Estimated ITT Issue Date:02/08/2019

3. Proposed/Estimated ITT Return Date: 20/09/2019

4. Proposed Issue Date of Contract:26/11/2019

5. Proposed Completion Date of Contract:26/11/2024

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1. Industry Codes:

32573000 - Communications control system. 42961000 - Command and control system.

1. Summary of Requirements / Description of Work:Communications control system. Command and control system. The Ministry of Defence has an enduring requirement to deliver a Deployable Air Surveillance and Control System (DASACS) capability to the Royal Air Force.

In order to maintain the existing DASACS capability, a technical solution is required which will include the procurement of a new Deployable Voice Control System (DVCS) to operate alongside the Air Defence Systems Integrator to integrate, manage and record all modes of voice communication employed during DASACS operations. This requirement is for the procurement of a new DVCS and in-service support.

It is expected that the DVCS will be capable of operating as a standalone voice communication system. It will also integrate, manage and record all voice communication channels used for DASACS. This will enable DVCS users to interact with a single system for all voice communications and provide coherent and auditable mission records for Joint Battlespace Management, which encompasses Tactical Air Command and Control and Shared Situational Awareness. The DVCS will be required to interface with external voice communication sub-systems such as radios, telephony, remote radios, Satellite Communications and Voice over Internet Protocols. The stand-alone system is expected to be readily deployable and resistant to worldwide operational environments.

It is expected that, given the anticipated timeframes for Initial Operating Capability in 2020, the DVCS will be mature and within the Potential Provider's range of existing products.

The Authority shall set out the procurement process to be followed in the Invitation to Tender.

The advertised contract for the supply and support of the DVCS capability will be for a period of 5 years plus two 1 year extension options to cover a maximum period of 7 years. DVCS is an equipment delivery project which will include the procurement of 2 new Deployable Voice Control Systems, training support and integrated logistic support. The full scope of the Contract will be explained within the Invitation to Tender.

Interested Potential Providers are required to complete the PQQ to provide the Authority with information to evaluate each Potential Provider's capacity and capability against the selection criteria.

A financial assessment will be undertaken on the Potential Providers financial status. An overall pass / fail judgement will be made after considering areas such as turnover, profit, net assets, liquidity, gearing and capacity. This assessment will include the Parent company where applicable. An independent financial assessment obtained from a reputable credit rating organisation may be utilised as part of this process.

The Authority will use the PQQ response to create a shortlist of tenderers who:



(1) are eligible to participate; and

(2) fulfil any minimum economic, financial, professional and technical standards; and

(3) best meet in terms of capacity and capability the selection criteria set out in the PQQ.

The Authority is seeking compliant responses to this PQQ. With regard to questions with a pass or fail criteria, the Potential Provider must receive a pass for each question. With regard to questions with a 1-5 score, the Potential Provider must receive a score of 3 or above for each question. Potential Providers must receive a pass for each pass/fail question and a score of 3 or above for each 1-5 scored question to be shortlisted to the tendering stage. Potential Providers that do not meet this requirement will be excluded from the tendering stage. Further details of the scoring criteria can be found within the PQQ.

Potential Providers must register their interest and submit their response to the PQQ by

10:00am on 15 May 2019.

Variant Bids:

Variant bids will not be accepted for this requirement.

2. Main Place of Performance or Delivery: Bristol, City of

3. Can a supplier bid alone for only a part of the contract?: No

1. Reverse Auction: Yes. A Reverse Auction, conducted using electronic means, may be used as part of the procurement process for this requirement. Specific relevant information on Reverse Auction usage will be given in the Invitation to Tender.

1. Estimated Value of Requirement: Category E1: 4.5M - 10M GBP

1. QA Standards:Other

2. If Other please specify: The full scope of the QA Standards required will be set out in the Invitation to Tender.

1. Additional Information:

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement. The Cyber Risk Level for this requirement has been assessed as Very Low.

Electronic Trading

Potential Providers must note the mandatory requirement for electronic trading using the Contracting, Purchasing and Finance (CP&F) electronic procurement tool. All payments for Contractor Deliverables under the Contract shall only be made via CP&F. You can find details on CP&F at https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/mod-contracting-purchasing-and-finance-e-procurement-system.

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Suppliers must log in, go to your Response Manager and add the following Access Code: 63KTA6Y3P3. Please ensure you follow any instruction provided to you here.

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