

United Kingdom-Bristol: Training and simulation in aircrafts, missiles and spacecrafts

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Contract notice

Services

Directive 2009/81/EC

Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Ministry of Defence, Air Support, Flight Simulation and Synthetic Trainers
Project Team (FSAST PT)

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Internet address(es):

General address of the contracting authority/entity: www.dco.uk

Additional information can be obtained from:

the abovementioned address

Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from:

the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted: the abovementioned address

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

I.4. Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities/entities

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**

Ground Training Maintenance Support (GTMS).

II.1.2. Type of contract and place of performance or delivery

Services

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

Main site or place of performance: UNITED KINGDOM.

NUTS code UK United Kingdom

II.1.3. Information about framework agreement

II.1.4. Information about framework agreement

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

Training and simulation in aircraft, missiles and spacecraft. Provision of Maintenance, Post Design Support (PDS), and Ad-hoc Tasking to specified Synthetic Training Equipment (STE) for Tri-Service Users undertaking Training. The specified STE will be provided at the ITT stage. The Authority has a requirement to provide Maintenance (Preventative and Corrective), Post Design Services, and Ad-hoc Tasking to specified Synthetic Training Equipment (STE) located within establishments within the United Kingdom including, but not limited to (RAF Brize Norton, Henlow, Odiham, Waddington, Wittering) and 22 Training Group Maintenance Schools (DSAE Cosford, Cranwell, Gosport, Lyneham). There will also be a requirement to support Parachute Training equipment at various sites within the UK. The purpose of the requirement is to ensure that equipment remains in an Environmentally and Safe Condition for continued use.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

80650000 Training and simulation in aircrafts, missiles and spacecrafts

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

II.1.8. Lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.1.9. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2. Scope of the procurement

II.2.1. Total quantity or scope

The proposed contract will be for 6 years commencing 1.4.2018, with the first 3 years Firm priced and the following 3 years Fixed priced based upon a variation of price indices, which will be confirmed at the ITT Stage.

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between 6 000 000 and 10 000 000 GBP

II.2.2. Information about options

Options: no

II.2.3. Information about renewals

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.3. Duration of the contract or time limit for completion

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions related to the contract

III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required

The Authority reserves the right to request an indemnity, guarantee or bank bond if,

following its financial assessment, the Authority has concerns with a tenderer's economic and financial standing.

III.1.2. Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them

III.1.3. Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded

If a group of economic operators submits a bid, the group must nominate a lead organisation to deal with the Authority. The Authority shall require the group to form a legal entity before entering into the contract.

III.1.4. Other particular conditions to which the performance of the contract is subject, in particular with regard to security of supply and security of 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 a Security Aspects Letter, the Authority reserves the right to amend the terms of the Security Aspects Letter 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.

III.1.5. Information about security clearance

III.2. Conditions for participation

III.2.1. Personal situation

Criteria regarding the personal situation of economic operators (that may lead to their exclusion) including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions: The Authority will apply all the offences listed in Article 39(1) of Directive 2009/81/EC (implemented as Regulation 23(1) of the Defence and Security Public Contract Regulations (DSPCR) 2011 in the UK) and all of the professional misconducts listed at Article 39(2) of Directive 2009/81/EC (see also Regulation 23(2) in the DSPCR 2011) to the decision of whether a Candidate is eligible to be invited to tender.

A full list of the Regulation 23(1) and 23(2) criteria are at <http://www.contracts.mod.uk/delta/project/reasonsForExclusion.html#dspr>

Candidates will be required to sign a declaration confirming whether they do or do not have any of the listed criteria as part of the pre-qualification process.

Candidates who have been convicted of any of the offences under Article 39(1) are ineligible and will not be selected to bid, unless there are overriding requirements in the general interest (including defence and security factors) for doing so.

Candidates who are guilty of any of the offences, circumstances or misconduct under Article 39(2) may be excluded from being selected to bid at the discretion of the Authority.

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A full list of these criteria are at [DCO link for BiP to insert].

Candidates will be required to sign a declaration confirming whether they do or do not have any of the listed criteria as part of the pre-qualification process.

Candidates who have been convicted of any of the offences under Article 39(1) are ineligible and will not be selected to bid, unless there are overriding requirements in the general interest

(including defence and security factors) for doing so.

Candidates who are guilty of any of the offences, circumstances or misconduct under Article 39 (2) may be excluded from being selected to bid at the discretion of the Authority

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

Criteria regarding the economic and financial standing of economic operators (that may lead to their exclusion)

List and brief description of conditions: (b) The presentation of balance-sheets or extracts from the balance-sheets, where publication of the balance-sheet is required under the law of the country in which the economic operator is established

Information necessary for the Authority to conduct an assessment of financial standing must be provided alongside DPQQ response and will be evaluated in accordance with the DPQQ evaluation guide.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: The estimated annual contract value is £8M. If the estimated annual contract value is greater than 40 % of the supplier's turnover, the Authority reserves the right to exclude the supplier from being selected to tender except where the supplier provides, to the satisfaction of the Authority, evidence showing it has sufficient economic and financial capability, eg evidence may include:

- (1) Any additional information proving it has sufficient economical and financial resource to deliver the requirement; and
- (2) State whether the supplier is willing to provide the Authority with an indemnity, guarantee or bank bond.

A financial assessment will be undertaken on the supplier's 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.

III.2.3. Technical and/or professional capacity

Criteria regarding the technical and/or professional ability of economic operators (that may lead to their exclusion)

List and brief description of conditions:

(d) a statement of the technicians or technical services available to the economic operator to:
(i) carry out the work under the contract, or (ii) be involved in the production of goods or the provision of services under the contract, particularly those responsible for quality control, whether or not they are independent of the economic operator

(e) a statement of the economic operator's: (i) technical facilities; (ii) measures for ensuring quality; (iii) study and research facilities; and (iv) internal rules regarding intellectual property

(g) in the case of works contracts, services contracts or supply contracts also covering siting and installation operations or services, the economic operator's educational and professional qualifications where the economic operator is an individual and: (i) if any, those of the economic operator's managerial staff; and (ii) those of one or more persons who would be responsible for providing the services or carrying out the work or works under the contract
(h) the environmental management measures, that the economic operator is able to apply when performing the contract, but only where it is necessary for the performance of that contract

(i) a statement of the services provider's or contractor's average annual number of staff and managerial staff over the previous three years

(j) a description of the tools, material, technical equipment, staff numbers, know-how and sources of supply (with an indication of their geographical location when it is outside the

territory of the EU) available to the economic operator to perform the contract, cope with any additional needs required by the contracting authority as a result of a crisis or carry out the maintenance, modernisation or adaptation of the goods covered by the contract

(m) in the case of contracts involving, entailing or containing classified information, evidence of the ability to process, store and transmit such information at the level of protection required by the contracting authority

(n) a certificate: (i) attesting conformity to quality management systems standards based on the relevant European standard; and (ii) from an independent accredited body established in any member State conforming to the European standards concerning accreditation and certification

(o) any other evidence of conformity to quality management systems standards which are equivalent to the standards referred to in sub-paragraph (n)(i)

Information / evidence necessary for the Authority to conduct an assessment of the criteria regarding the technical and/or professional ability of economic operators (that may lead to their exclusion) must be provided alongside DPQQ response and will be evaluated in accordance with the DPQQ evaluation guide. The Authority reserves the right to exclude a supplier from being selected to tender where that supplier fails to demonstrate achievement of the minimum level(s) required.

III.2.4. Information about reserved contracts

III.3. Conditions specific to services contracts

III.3.1. Information about a particular profession

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession: no

III.3.2. Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract: no

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Type of procedure

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Restricted

IV.1.2. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged minimum number 1 and Maximum number 6

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 www.contracts.mod.uk. You must register on this site to respond, if you are already registered you will not need to register again, simply use your existing username and password. Please note there is a password reminder link on the homepage.

Suppliers must log in, go to the Response Manager and add the following Access Code: 488969UEAY. Please ensure you follow any instruction provided to you.

The deadline for submitting your response(s) is 12/06/2017 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.”

Interested suppliers are required to complete the DPQQ and to provide information that allows the Authority to evaluate the supplier's capacities and capabilities against the selection criteria set out at Sections III.2.1), III.2.2) and III.2.3) of this Contract Notice.

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

- (1) are eligible to participate under Section III.2.1) of this Contract Notice;
- (2) fulfil any minimum standards under Sections III.2.2) and III.2.3) of this Contract Notice; and
- (3) best meet in terms of capacity and capability the selection criteria set out Sections III.2.2) and III.2.3) of this Contract Notice.

Following completion of the DPQQ evaluation, the six highest scoring candidates shall be short listed and invited to tender stage. In the event that candidates receiving the same score take the total number above six, the Authority reserves the right to invite further candidates to tender.

Full details of the method for choosing the tenderers will be set out in the Help Text Box for the DPQQ and in the GTMS DPQQ Evaluation Guide.

IV.1.3. Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue

IV.2. Award criteria

IV.2.1. Award criteria

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

IV.2.2. Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction has been used: yes

Additional information about electronic 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.

IV.3. Administrative information

IV.3.1. File reference number attributed by the contracting authority

FsASTC/00146

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

Prior information notice

Notice number in the OJ S: [2017/S 032-058943](#) of 15.2.2017

IV.3.3. Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document

Payable documents: no

IV.3.4. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

12.6.2017 - 12:00

IV.3.5. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

IV.3.6. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English.

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.2. Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:
no

VI.3. 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 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>

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Electronic Trading:

Potential suppliers 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 <http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/mod-contracting-purchasing-and-finance-e-procurement-system>. GO Reference: GO-2017511-DCB-10193489.

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: Ministry of Defence, Air Support, Flight Simulation and Synthetic Trainers
Project Team (FSAST PT)

Town: Bristol

Country: United Kingdom

VI.4.2. Review procedure

VI.4.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

11.5.2017