

United Kingdom-Bristol: Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)

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Contract notice

Works

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

**Section I: Contracting authority**

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**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: Ministry of Defence, ISTAR, Other

Postal address: Rowan 1c, MOD Abbey Wood South

Town: Bristol

NUTS code: UKK1 Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

Postal code: BS34 8JH

Country: United Kingdom

E-mail: [desspizr-barium@mod.uk](mailto:desspizr-barium@mod.uk)

**Internet address(es):**

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

**I.2. Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.3. Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <http://www.DESSPISR-BARIUM@mod.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from another address:

Official name: Ministry of Defence, ISTAR, Other

Town: Bristol

NUTS code: UKK1 Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

Postal code: BS32 8BE

Country: United Kingdom

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**Internet address(es):**

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

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Town: Bristol

Postal code: BS34 8JH

Country: United Kingdom

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NUTS code: UKK1 Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

**Internet address(es):**

Main address: <https://www.DESSPISR-BARIUM@mod.uk>

**I.4. Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions

**I.5.**

## **Main activity**

Defence

## **Section II: Object**

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### **II.1. Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1. Title**

BARIUM (Low-Light Test Facility).

Reference number: SPCISR1/00369

#### **II.1.2. Main CPV code**

38000000 Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)

#### **II.1.3. Type of contract**

Works

#### **II.1.4. Short description**

BARIUM: Provision of a Low-Light Test Facility (LLTF) to enable the accurate, scientific and repeatable assessment of Electro-Optical systems. DE&S and Defence Infrastructure are working to gather to acquire this facility.

#### **II.1.5. Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 5 421 000,00 GBP

#### **II.1.6. Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

### **II.2. Description**

#### **II.2.3. Place of performance**

NUTS code: UKK1 Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

Main site or place of performance: Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area.

#### **II.2.4. Description of the procurement**

The ISR Delivery Team and Defence Infrastructure Organisation are seeking expressions of interest from companies or consortia capable of designing and delivering a Low Light Test Facility (LLTF) to enable testing of Electro Optical sensors.

The facility shall ideally comprise a self-contained building with a 100 m by 40 m test range, control room, storage facilities, offices and rest rooms. The test range must be able to simulate spectrally correct natural light over a range of luminance levels, accurately and consistently with both temporal and spatial stability.

The final location of this facility has yet to be determined but is likely to be on a secure location close to DSTL Porton Down, Salisbury, Wiltshire SP4 0JQ.

There will be a requirement to maintain the facility, buildings and lighting fit, for at least 10 years.

Whilst Construction of a building is likely to fully meet the Authority's range of testing requirements, other approaches such as utilising optical facilities already in place at a contractor's premises would be considered and will inform the decision-making process.

Whilst the need for a facility of this type has been identified, the requirement is currently undergoing formal Approval processes. Early engagement with industry will inform the Business Case and Procurement options available.

Technical information is available on request.

Please respond to the Multiuser Account quoted not later than Friday 7th October.  
The value of this requirement is estimated at 5 421 000 GBP (including VAT) for the design development, delivery and support of the facility for the next 10 years.

**II.2.5. Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

**II.2.6. Estimated value**

**II.2.7. Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months: 120

This contract is subject to renewal: no

**II.2.9. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

Envisaged minimum number: 3

**II.2.10. Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: yes

**II.2.11. Information about options**

Options: yes

Description of options:

All options are under consideration from construction of a bespoke facility to use of laboratory equipment already in operation.

**II.2.13. Information about European Union funds**

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

**II.2.14. Additional information**

This advertisement invites Expressions of Interest at this stage. Further technical information is available on request to the Multi-user account stated above.

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**Section IV: Procedure**

**IV.1. Description**

**IV.1.1. Type of procedure**

Restricted procedure

**IV.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

**IV.1.8. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

**IV.2. Administrative information**

**IV.2.2. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date: 21/10/2016

**IV.2.3. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

**IV.2.4.**

## Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

### Section VI: Complementary information

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#### VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

#### VI.2. Information about electronic workflows

Electronic payment will be used

#### 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>

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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 <http://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 your Response Manager and add the following Access Code: 9EE6G8AJ6T.

Please ensure you follow any instruction provided to you here.

The deadline for submitting your response(s) is detailed within this contract notice, you will also have visibility of the deadline date, once you have added the Access code via DCO as the opening and closing date is visible within the opportunity.

Please ensure that you allow yourself plenty of time when responding to this opportunity prior to the closing date and time, especially if you have been asked to upload documents.

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#### VI.4. Procedures for review

##### VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: Ministry of Defence, ISTAR, Other

Town: Bristol

Postal code: BS34 8JH

Country: United Kingdom

**VI.4.2. Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Official name: Ministry of Defence, ISTAR, Other

Town: Bristol

Postal code: BS34 8JH

Country: United Kingdom

**VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice**

20/09/2016