

**United Kingdom-High Wycombe: Education and training services**

OJ S 189/2019 01/10/2019

Contract notice

Services

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

**Section I: Contracting authority**

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**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: Ministry of Defence, C&amp;C

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The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: [www.contracts.mod.uk](http://www.contracts.mod.uk)

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

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

**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**

The Provision of RAF Air and Space Power Delivery

Reference number: ACT/4671

**II.1.2. Main CPV code**

80000000 Education and training services

**II.1.3. Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4. Short description**

Education and training services. Provision of training services to support the delivery of air and space power at RAF Cranwell and RAF Halton. The contract duration will be 5 core years plus

2 x 1-year options and the proposed Contract start date is 1.4.2020 for the winning contractor to commence modular design preparation work ready to commence delivery at RAF Cranwell and RAF Halton from the 1.9.2020.

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

Value excluding VAT: 7 900 000,00 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: UKF3 Lincolnshire

Main site or place of performance: Lincolnshire.

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

All RAF personnel must receive a solid grounding in air and space power and their application in a military context. This requirement will require suitably qualified and experienced trainers, who are competent in the use of modern technologically enhanced learning methods and possess a range of facilitation skills, all of which are designed to create the optimum learning environment. The academic support services required will therefore include:

- delivery of specified air and space power objectives and learning points,
- utilisation of technology enhanced learning and blended delivery methodologies,
- development and maintenance of lesson plans and supporting material on the Virtual Learning Environment,

- production and delivery of formative and summative assessments, and; organisation of coaching/developmental activities to maximise individual performance.

The contractor is to design and deliver 9 standalone air and space power modules that can be independently accessed by remote students.

Off payroll (manpower based) contracts — mandatory tax arrangements of public appointees:

- the off payroll rules (Intermediaries Legislation — IR35) for working in the public sector are in place to ensure that where a worker would have been an employee if they were providing their services directly, they are broadly paying the same tax and National Insurance Contributions (NICs) as an employee,

- the authority has decided that the provision of this service is out of scope of this legislation, for this particular requirement.

#### **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**

Value excluding VAT: 7 900 000,00 GBP

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

Start: 01/04/2020 End: 31/08/2025

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: 2 Maximum number: 6 Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:

The authority will use the DPQQ response to create a shortlist of tenders who are eligible to participate; fulfill any minimum economic, financial, professional and technical standards and best meet in terms of capacity and capability the selection criteria set out in this DPQQ. Full details of the method of choosing the tenders are set out in the DPQQ. It is the intention to down select to between approximately 2 and 6 highest scoring suppliers who will be invited to tender, providing they meet the overall percentage pass mark of 60 %, do not score any lower than 2 points for any of the questions and receive a pass in any pass/fail questions within the DPQQ. If the supplier scores below 2 in any of the questions or receives a fail in a pass/fail question then they will automatically fail the evaluation and will not be invited to participate any further.

#### **II.2.10. Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

#### **II.2.11. Information about options**

Options: yes

Description of options:

There are 2 x 1 year option periods starting 1.9.2025.

#### **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**

### **Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

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#### **III.1. Conditions for participation**

##### **III.1.2. Economic and financial standing**

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

The estimated annual contract value is 1 100 000 GBP. 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, for example, such evidence may include:

- 1) Any additional information proving it has sufficient economic and financial resources to deliver the requirement; and
- 2) Stating if 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.

Please provide at least 2 years audited accounts (if available) or equivalent information, that will be used as part of the DPQQ Economic and Financial Standing evaluation.

##### **III.1.3. Technical and professional ability**

List and brief description of selection criteria:

See technical evaluation methodology criteria.

## **III.2. Conditions related to the contract**

### **III.2.2. Contract performance conditions**

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 <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/mod-contracting-purchasing-and-finance-e-procurement-system>

Please be advised that TUPE applies to this requirement, which is currently undertaken by University of Portsmouth. TUPE employee information will be provided at ITT stage.

## **Section IV: Procedure**

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### **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: no

### **IV.2. Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1. Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number in the OJ S: [2019/S 100-242186](#)

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

Date: 25/10/2019 Local time: 10:00

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

Date: 11/11/2019

#### **IV.2.4. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

#### **IV.2.6. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

## **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 invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

### **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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<https://suppliercyberprotection.service.xgov.uk/>

This is to demonstrate a supplier's compliance with the required cyber risk level. More information will be published with regards to this process, the evaluation criteria and how to access the information/website once the tender documentation is live.

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: 5Z6HZR36Z4

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.

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 Telephone 0800282324.

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#### **VI.4. Procedures for review**

##### **VI.4.1. Review body**

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

27/09/2019