

United Kingdom-Bristol: Aircraft equipment

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Contract notice

Supplies

Directive 2009/81/EC

## Section I: Contracting authority/entity

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### I.1. Name and addresses

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General address of the contracting authority/entity: <https://des.mod.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

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### II.1. Description

#### II.1.1. Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority

NORMALIZER/0033 -The Supply and Support of ISR Video Management System (VMS) Components

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

Supplies

Purchase

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

NUTS code UKK1 Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

#### 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)**

Aircraft equipment. The Authority is considering placing up to three (3) contracts for the supply of, and support for the following VMS components over a 5-year period (and up to a further 5 x 1 years' support) to support airborne surveillance across several Rotary Wing (RW) and/or Fixed Wing (FW) platforms. Please note that this requirement will be split into 3 lots.

#### **II.1.6. CPV code(s)**

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#### **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: yes  
Tenders may be submitted for all lots

#### **II.1.9. Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

### **II.2. Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.2.1. Total quantity or scope**

NORMALIZER/0033 Advert for the supply and support of ISR Video Management System (VMS) components. Please note that this requirement will be split into three lots which are detailed below.

The Authority is considering placing up to three (3) contracts for the supply of, and support for the following VMS components over a 5-year period (and up to a further 5 x 1 years' support) to support airborne surveillance across several Rotary Wing (RW) and/or Fixed Wing (FW) platforms.

Each component must be interoperable with Wescam MX Series Airborne ISR Turrets and industry recognised augmented mission mapping and management systems as well as other VMS Line-replaceable units all within a fully-functioning surveillance suite, as a standalone unit or as a training aid.

All components shall be 1920x1080p HD compatible and process fast moving EO/IR imagery feeds and moving mapping data without degrading sensor image quality, be compact /lightweight, include all ancillary equipment necessary to connect/operate and have multiple video inputs/outputs.

Components shall also be Air Cleared and Qualified to meet all relevant environmental conditions specified in RTCA/DO-160.

This requirement will be composed of three (3) lots:

Lot 1 - Displays: c. 41 Displays - with options for a further 41 units

Displays must support scalable view inputs including (but not limited to) Full Screen, Picture in Picture, Picture by Picture and Quad view, all being user configurable. Full touchscreen capability is mandatory. However, the inclusion of supplementary hard keys would not exclude a potential provider.

Displays must be non-reflective and be viewable in all day/night conditions.

Lot 2 - DVRs: c. 21 Digital Video Recorders (DVRs) - with options for a further 21 units. DVRs must process and record simultaneous recording and playback of at least 2 channels including one unmodified and one augmented sensor output stream to large volume removable storage devices only.

Lot 3 - VMUs: c. 21 Video Management Units (VMUs) - with options for a further 21 units. VMUs must support the simultaneous processing and distribution of multiple channels including multiple HD inputs and outputs with supporting metadata for recording purposes. Any resultant contract is likely to consist of, but not be limited to: equipment provision; safety management; reactive obsolescence; ongoing support; software update provision; initial and subsequent ongoing training support; integration support for new platforms or those already fitted with an existing VMS; and ongoing reporting during delivery and subsequent contracted support.

Key metrics will include the ongoing provision of equipment in the event of failure and the ability to ensure no reduction in operational capability through defect or failure, as well as ongoing safety and capability.

Suppliers successful at the Dynamic Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (DPQQ) stage will be issued with an invited to tender (ITT).

Suppliers are expected to either hold DAOS 5850 (Design Approved Organisation Scheme) status or have a DE&S agreed, contracted route to achieve DAOS 5850 status by the time of contract award. Accreditation must be maintained for the duration of any resultant contract. Suppliers are expected to hold ISO 9001:2015, or equivalent, by contract award. Suppliers will also be required to demonstrate compliance with DEFSTAN 00-056.

It is not possible at the outset to specify the Controlled Information under this Contract. However, the Contractor accepts that it may consist of those items of ITAR Controlled Information and Government Furnished Information (GFI) classified as OFFICIAL – SENSITIVE that the Authority may need to make available to enable performance of work under the Contract. If the contractor is offering ITAR Controlled Assets/Information, the Contractor shall have existing Technical Assistance Agreements (TAA) arrangements or have these in place by Contract Award if required.

Further to DEFCON 658, the Cyber Threat Risk Level for this requirement is Very Low and therefore suppliers are expected to hold a Cyber Essentials Certificate, as defined in DEFSTAN 05-138 prior to award of any resultant contract. Suppliers (and your supply chain) successful at the DPQQ stage will be required to demonstrate cyber capability for the potential contract, therefore a Supplier Assurance Questionnaire must be completed as part of tender responses, using the reference: RAR-7CM24V4R at <https://supplier-cyber-protection.service.gov.uk/>.

Please note, the entirety of this requirement is subject to future funding and approval. Any costs incurred throughout the tendering process are to be borne wholly by the supplier. Interested suppliers must complete the DPQQ on Defence Contracts Online (DCO) titled 'NORMALIZER/0033' with the access code Q7KEUEVZ73. Expressions of interest received in any other form will not be considered.

## **II.2.2. Information about options**

Options: yes

Description of options: There will be an option on Lot 1 for a further c. 41 Displays. There will be an option on Lot 2 for a further c. 21 DVRs. There will be an option on Lot 3 for a further c. 21 VMUs. There will also be 5x1 year options to extend support on each lot.

## **II.2.3. Information about renewals**

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

Information about lots

Lot No: 1

Lot title: Lot 1: Displays

**1) Short description**

Lot 1: c.41 Displays and 5 years of initial support - with options for a further 41 units and 5x1 year options for further support.

**2) CPV code(s)**

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**3) Quantity or scope**

Displays must support scalable view inputs including (but not limited to) Full Screen, Picture in Picture, Picture by Picture and Quad view, all being user configurable. Full touchscreen capability is mandatory. However, the inclusion of supplementary hard keys would not exclude a potential provider.

Displays must be non-reflective and be viewable in all day/night conditions.

**4) Indication about different time frame or duration**

**5) Additional information about lots**

Additional information on lots can be found in the supporting document which is attached to the NORMALIZER/0033 DPQQ.

Lot No: 2

Lot title: Lot 2: Digital Video Recorders (DVRs)

**1) Short description**

Lot 2: c.21 Digital Video Recorders (DVRs) and 5 years of initial support - with options for a further 21 units and 5x1 year options for further support.

**2) CPV code(s)**

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**3) Quantity or scope**

DVRs must process and record simultaneous recording and playback of at least 2 channels including one unmodified and one augmented sensor output stream to large volume removable storage devices only.

**4) Indication about different time frame or duration**

**5) Additional information about lots**

Additional information on lots can be found in the supporting document which is attached to the NORMALIZER/0033 DPQQ.

Lot No: 3

Lot title: Lot 3: Video Management Units (VMUs)

**1) Short description**

Lot 3: c.21 Video Management Units (VMUs) and 5 years of support- with options for a further 21 units and 5x1 year support options

**2) CPV code(s)**

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### **Quantity or scope**

VMUs must support the simultaneous processing and distribution of multiple channels including multiple HD inputs and outputs with supporting metadata for recording purposes.

#### **4) Indication about different time frame or duration**

#### **5) Additional information about lots**

Additional information on lots can be found in the supporting document which is attached to the NORMALIZER/0033 DPQQ.

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

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### **III.1. Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required**

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

All payments to be made via CP&F

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

#### **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 protected 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.

### **III.2.2. Economic and financial ability**

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

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: 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 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.

#### **Criteria regarding the economic and financial standing of subcontractors (that may lead to their rejection)**

### **III.2.3. Technical and/or professional capacity**

### **III.2.4. Information about reserved contracts**

#### **III.3. Conditions specific to services contracts**

#### **III.3.1. Information about a particular profession**

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

## **Section IV: Procedure**

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### **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 2 and Maximum number 5

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: Criteria can be found in the Guidance Documents attached to NORMALIZER/0033 DPQQ.

#### **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: no

### **IV.3. Administrative information**

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

NORMALIZER/0033

#### **IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure**

##### **Prior information notice**

Notice number in the OJ S: [2019/S 158-391798](#) of 19.8.2019

#### **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**

4.11.2019 - 15:00

#### **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**

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#### **VI.1. Information about recurrence**

#### **VI.2. Information about European Union funds**

#### **VI.3. Additional information**

Additional Information: Further to DEFCON 658, the Cyber Threat Risk Level for this requirement is Very Low and therefore suppliers are expected to hold a Cyber Essentials Certificate, as defined in DEFSTAN 05-138 prior to award of any resultant contract. Suppliers (and your supply chain) successful at the DPQQ stage will be required to demonstrate cyber capability for the potential contract, therefore a Supplier Assurance Questionnaire must be completed as part of tender responses, using the reference: RAR-7CM24V4R at <https://supplier-cyber-protection.service.gov.uk/>.

##### **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>

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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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: Q7KEUEVZ73.

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 0800 282 324. GO Reference: GO-2019104-DCB-15438692

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

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

Official name: Ministry of Defence, ISTAR, Other

Postal address: MoD Abbeywood

Town: Bristol

Postal code: BS34 8JH

Country: United Kingdom

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Telephone: +44 3067989632

##### **Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Official name: Ministry of Defence, ISTAR, Other

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Country: United Kingdom

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##### **VI.4.2. Review procedure**

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

Official name: Ministry of Defence, ISTAR, Other

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**VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice**  
4.10.2019