

**Switzerland-Bern: Security, fire-fighting, police and defence equipment**

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Contract notice

Supplies

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

**Section I: Contracting authority**

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**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: armasuisse Purchase and cooperations CC WTO

Postal address: Guisanplatz 1

Town: Bern

NUTS code: CH0 Schweiz/Suisse/Svizzera

Postal code: 3003

Country: Switzerland

Contact person: Project 'Schutzsystem MBAS'

E-mail: [wto@armasuisse.ch](mailto:wto@armasuisse.ch)**Internet address(es):**Main address: <https://www.simap.ch>Address of the buyer profile: [www.armasuisse.ch](http://www.armasuisse.ch)**I.3. Communication**

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at:

[http://www.simap.ch/shabforms/servlet/Search?NOTICE\\_NR=1158705](http://www.simap.ch/shabforms/servlet/Search?NOTICE_NR=1158705)

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

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

Official name: armasuisse Purchase and cooperations CC WTO

Postal address: Guisanplatz 1

Town: Bern

Postal code: 3003

Country: Switzerland

Contact person: Project 'Schutzsystem MBAS' Do not open

E-mail: [wto@armasuisse.ch](mailto:wto@armasuisse.ch)

NUTS code: CH0 Schweiz/Suisse/Svizzera

**Internet address(es):**Main address: <https://www.simap.ch>**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**

General public services

**Section II: Object**

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**II.1. Scope of the procurement****II.1.1. Title**

## Protective System Modular Clothing System (MBAS)

### II.1.2. Main CPV code

35000000 Security, fire-fighting, police and defence equipment

### II.1.3. Type of contract

Supplies

### II.1.4. Short description

The protective system 18 is part of the equipment of the members of the Swiss armed forces and provides effective protection for them when they exercise functional tasks and deployments at home and abroad in the minimum configuration (only soft ballistics) against handguns and fragments. It comprises a protective vest, collar, hip belt and groin guard.

### II.1.5. Estimated total value

### II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

## II.2. Description

### II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

35800000 Individual and support equipment, 35810000 Individual equipment, 35815000 Garments for anti-ballistic protection

### II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: CH0 Schweiz/Suisse/Svizzera

Main site or place of performance: SWITZERLAND.

### II.2.4. Description of the procurement

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### 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

Start: 01/08/2021 End: 31/07/2026

This contract is subject to renewal: no

### II.2.10. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

### II.2.11. Information about options

Options: yes

Description of options:

In accordance with tender documents.

### 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

List and brief description of selection criteria:

When the tender is submitted, the suitability criteria and required supporting evidence listed below must be confirmed, appended, and substantiated in full without any reservations or modifications; otherwise the bid will not be considered.

E1 Extracts from the debt collection register and excerpts from the commercial register  
Extracts from the debt collection register and excerpts from the commercial register or the equivalent recognised documentation from other countries which provide evidence that the bidder does not have any tax debts or has not paid the full amount for social security contributions (not older than 3 months — the effective entry date is decisive).

E2

(a) Compliance with procedural principles

The bidder confirms that it and the third parties it has called on (subcontractors and subsuppliers) will comply with the procedural principles in accordance with the self-declaration sheet (Enclosure 1.1.1) of the Swiss federal government's purchasing conference (BKB).

(b) Additional evidence of compliance with the regulations on equal pay for men and women  
Bidders with more than 50 employees and their first-level subcontractors who have more than 50 employees must also provide evidence for the self-declaration sheet on how their salary practice has been reviewed and how the tolerance threshold of 5 % applied in purchasing functions is adhered to.

E3 Supplier self-declaration

E4 Audit

The bidder is willing, if requested by the contracting authority, for itself and its partner firms in the production chain as shown in the supplier self-declaration to be audited by an independent audit institution appointed by the contracting authority. The audit is intended to ensure compliance in particular with the ILO fundamental principles as well as local work and occupational safety conditions as stated in the supplier self-declaration. The bidder further confirms and acknowledges that failure to comply with one or more of the ILO fundamental principles or one or more of the local work and occupational safety conditions will result in the offer being excluded from the tender.

E5 Compliance with the production chain

Confirmation by the bidder that it will produce the items requested as stipulated in the specification using the production chain stated in the supplier self-declaration (Enclosure 1.1).

E6 Environmental protection

Compliance with the national legislation for all areas of environmental protection (air, water, etc.) in all of the process steps taken by the bidder and the main subsuppliers in accordance with section 1.3 of the supplier self-declaration (Enclosure 1.1).

E7 Compliance with laws regarding the payment of minimum wages

Confirmation by the bidder that it and its main subsuppliers will comply with the laws regarding the payment of minimum wages applicable in the country in which their production facilities are located in accordance with section 1.3 of the supplier self-declaration (Enclosure 1.1).

#### E8 Overall responsibility

The bidder confirms that it will assume overall responsibility, i.e. the bidder is the sole contractual partner of the contracting authority. Any parties involved must be listed together with their assigned roles and functions in Enclosure 1.1.

#### E9 SPOC during the tender procedure

Evidence of a single point of contact (SPOC) during the tender procedure.

#### E10 SPOC after the contract has been awarded

Evidence of a single point of contact (SPOC) for all business processes, such as orders, payments, services, etc.

#### E11 Acceptance of draft framework conditions

The bidder confirms unconditional acceptance of the draft framework conditions in accordance with Enclosure 5.0.

#### E12 Acceptance of the terms and conditions

Confirmation that the bidder accepts the general terms and conditions of the Swiss Federal Government for goods (in the version dated 11 September 2016), which are available at:

<http://www.ar.admin.ch/internet/armasuisse/de/home/themen/beschaffung/lieferant/agb.html>

#### E13 Compliance with the technical specifications

Confirmation by the bidder that it has the capabilities to deliver the articles requested and offered in accordance with the technical specifications to this tender.

#### E14 Occupational health and safety

The bidder confirms that the fabricator of the covers and the manufacturer of the ballistic protection packages according to the supplier self-declaration (Enclosure 1.1) are certified according to OHSAS 18001 or comply with the points set down in Enclosure 1.3 'Occupational health and safety check list'.

#### E15 Provision of samples with the bid

The bidder confirms that it will provide the range of samples requested with the bid in accordance with section 2.6 of this specification so that the quality can be checked.

#### E16 References

Confirmation by the bidder that the manufacturer who is declared in the supplier declaration is a specialist in the manufacture and development of ballistic protective vests and protective systems. They must give at least five references (max. 1 reference from armasuisse) of comparable articles and one of a comparable customer base (military, police, authorities) which they have supplied since 2015 in the manufacture and supply of ballistic vests (order volume at least 5 000 items/order).

#### E17 Delivery dates

Confirmation by the bidder that it is willing and able depending on the lot to produce, upon first order (first delivery) 12 500 protective systems within a maximum of 36 weeks from the date on which the order was placed and deliver these from the place of manufacture to the receiving location in Switzerland. armasuisse will provide them with the required camouflage fabric, which must be collected by the bidder from the location Seftigen (EXW). The bidder also confirms that it has the capacity to perform the bid submitted in full. In other words, the bidder must be able to complete all orders. Should the bidder not comply with these deadlines, the client reserves the right to revoke the issuing of the contract (Art. 11 PPA) and a contractual penalty will be enforced.

#### E18 Delivery dates for partial deliveries

Confirmation by the bidder that it is willing and able to produce partial deliveries of 1 to 20 units within three weeks from the date on which the order was placed and deliver these from the place of manufacture to the receiving location in Switzerland.

E19 Availability for commercial and technical discussions

Confirmation by the bidder that the relevant staff (both technical and commercial) will be available within five working days from invitation to attend the offices of armasuisse in Bern for discussions (in German or English). This also applies for discussing orders, manufacturing samples, complaints and rejects.

E20 Confirmation of identical ballistic structure

Confirmation by the bidder that the soft ballistic inserts of collars, vests, groin guard and hip belt will have the identical ballistic structure from production of the preliminary samples.

E21 Valid VPAM firing certificate

Proof of the ballistic protective performance according to the technical specifications A.50.0012; A.50.0013; A.50.0014 and A.50.0016 of this tender by means of a valid firing certificate from a firing institute connected to a VPAM.

Caution:

The basis weight of the fired protective package/structure must be noted in the firing certificate (this will be used to evaluate the award criterion 1 in Enclosure 3.0).

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

List and brief description of selection criteria:

All companies that possess the economic capacity and meet the following suitability criteria and can provide supporting evidence in accordance with point 3.8 are called upon to submit a bid in CHF.

## **Section IV: Procedure**

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### **IV.1. Description**

#### **IV.1.1. Type of procedure**

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

Date: 05/03/2021 Local time: 15:00

#### **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**

German, French, Italian

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

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

#### **IV.2.7. Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date: 10/03/2021 Local time: 23:59

## Section VI: Complementary information

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### VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

### VI.3. Additional information

Partial offers are not permitted.

Conditions for countries not party to the WTO agreement: none.

Terms of business: general terms and conditions for the procurement of goods (09.2016):

<https://www.beschaffung.admin.ch/bpl/de/home/auftraege-bund/agb.html>

Negotiations: the right to negotiate is reserved.

Basic procedural principles: the client only awards public commissions for services in Switzerland to tenderers who comply with job security regulations and the conditions of work for employees, and provide equal payment for men and women.

Deadline/remarks: place of submission: cf. 1.2. The following must be observed in order to meet the submission deadline:

(a) for submission to armasuisse (administration centre Guisanplatz 1). The following points must be observed when handing in the goods at 'Verwaltungszentrum Guisanplatz 1', Guisanplatz 1, 3003 Bern, at the attention of CC WTO armasuisse:

- the provider must register at 'Areal Lodge Guisanplatz 1' stating the project title (cf. section 1.2). It will be forwarded by the latter to the 'Ramp Management Guisanplatz 1',
- the submission must be made by 15.00 at the latest on the submission date mentioned under item 1.4 against issuance of a receipt confirmation of the ramp management,
- opening hours of the ramp management: Monday-Friday 7.00-12.00/13.00-15.00 (outside these hours no offer can be made);

(b) for submission by post: the postmark or barcode receipt of the shipping service provider shall be authoritative (company frankings shall not be deemed postmarks);

(c) for delivery to a diplomatic or consular representation of Switzerland: the acknowledgement of receipt from the relevant representative shall be decisive. The acknowledgement of receipt must be sent to the email address specified in section 1.2 by the latest by the deadline for submission of the offer, stating the project in question.

Remarks (Desired deadline for questions in written form): if queries arise while preparing the tender, they must be submitted by means of an anonymous forum entry to the question forum at [www.simap.ch](http://www.simap.ch). A separate forum entry must be created for each question (one question per entry). The questions will be answered in the simap.ch question forum. All questions and answers can be viewed by all bidders who have received the tender documentation. It is the responsibility of bidders to keep themselves informed of any entries in the question forum.

National reference publication: Simap of 13 October 2020, doc. 1158705. Desired deadline for questions in written form: 26 February 2021.

Conditions for obtaining the tendering documentation: the documents can be downloaded from the electronic platform [www.simap.ch](http://www.simap.ch) category 'Public Procurement, Federal Invitation to tender'. To do this, you first have to register in the above-mentioned project and can then download, using login and password, the desired documents sent to you by email. A question forum is at your disposal.

### VI.4. Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: Bundesverwaltungsgericht

Postal address: Postfach

Town: St Gallen

Postal code: 9023  
Country: Switzerland

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

13/10/2020