



TO: NATO Delegations
Attn. Secretaries of Delegations

CC: STO FC

FROM: Head Finance and Contracts

DATE: 22 June 2023

SUBJECT: Invitation for International Bidding (IFIB) no. CMRE 23-008 for the provision of a High Frequency (HF) Synthetic Aperture Sonar (SAS) system to NATO STO Centre for Maritime Research and Experimentation (CMRE), in La Spezia - Italy

Ref.: A. FC(2017)103-REV1 - NATO IS Procurement Manual

1. In accordance with the provisions of Article XXXII of the NATO Financial Regulations and Financial Rules and Procedures, we are pleased to inform you that CMRE intends to issue the Invitation for Bids stated above in the upcoming weeks.
2. This procurement action will follow the Formal Procurement procedure specified in Reference A, adopted by the STO CMRE Procurement Procedures.

IFIB Reference: **CMRE-23-008**

Title of IFIB: Provision of a High Frequency (HF) Synthetic Aperture Sonar (SAS) system to STO CMRE.

Requirement: The Centre for Maritime Research and Experimentation (CMRE) is looking to procure a high-resolution high frequency interferometric synthetic aperture sonar (SAS) system. The SAS system is to be integrated into a small/medium side UUV. The system should compute high-resolution (2-3 cm pixel resolution) port and starboard complex SAS images in real-time. The system should record and store raw data at element level. A full description of the technical requirements will be provided with the solicitation package.

Type of Contract: CMRE intends to award a Firm Fixed Price (FFP) contract.

Delivery Period: Dec 2023 (TBC)



Bidding Procedure: Sealed bid (no negotiations).

Award Method: Lowest Priced Technically Acceptable (LPTA) bid.

Funding: Estimated amount 300K – 400K Euro.

Classification: The solicitation and the contract documents are not classified.

IFIB Issue Date: July 2023 (TBC)

IFIB Closing Date: September 2023 (TBC)

Eligibility: Solicitation is open to all governmental and/or commercial entities that originate or are chartered/incorporated within NATO-member nations.

Delivery Location: CMRE in La Spezia, Italy

3. You are hereby invited to nominate via email **by 12 July 2023** the names, full address, point of contact, telephone, and e-mail address of potential qualified bidders established within your country.

4. This and any other correspondence hereto is to be addressed to:

STO Centre for Maritime Research and Experimentation (CMRE)

Attn: Ms. Kimberly Krancevich – Head of Finance and Contracts

Viale San Bartolomeo, 400

19126 La Spezia - ITALY

- Email: contracting@cmre.nato.int

Respectfully,

Kimberly Krancevich
Head of Finance and Contracts
STO CMRE