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**NOTICE**  
NOI IFIB-CMRE-25-013

To : NATO Delegations  
Attn. Secretaries of Delegations

Cc : STO FC

From : CMRE Purchasing & Contracting Office

Subject : **Notification of Intention (NOI) to Issue an Invitation for International Bidding (IFIB) no. CMRE 25-013 for the provision of maritime internet to NATO research vessel "Alliance" owned by STO-CMRE in La Spezia – Italy**

Reference : 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 IFIB stated above.

2. This procurement action will follow the Formal Procurement procedure specified in Reference, adopted by the STO CMRE Procurement Procedures.

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Title of IFIB: Provision of maritime internet for the NATO research vessel "Alliance" owned by STO Centre for Maritime Research and Experimentation (CMRE), in La Spezia, Italy.

Requirement: CMRE, owner of the vessel NRV ALLIANCE, flagged and operated by the Italian Navy, conducting Maritime Research and specialized experimentation, is looking for the provision of a turnkey solution of an integrated commercial maritime internet over satellite telecommunication system for the Main Scientific Lab (MSL) of NRV ALLIANCE. A full description of the technical requirements will be provided with the solicitation package.

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Type of Contract: CMRE intends to award a Firm Fixed Price (FFP) contract for a base period in 2026 with the possibility of renewal in 2027, 2028, 2029 and 2030.

Delivery Period: 4 months from date of contract award.

Bidding Procedure: Sealed bid (no negotiations).

Award Method: Best value.

Funding: Estimated amount 600K-800K Euro.

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

IFIB Issue Date: Mid Sep 2025

IFIB Closing Date: End October 2025

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

3. You are hereby invited to nominate via email, by **1 Sep 2025**, the names, full address, point of contact, telephone, and e-mail address of potential qualified bidders established within your country.

4. The CMRE will directly e-mail this IFIB to all potential bidders. The IFIB will also be published on the CMRE portal.

5. This and any other correspondence hereto are to be addressed to:  
STO Centre for Maritime Research and Experimentation (CMRE)

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