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NOTICE
NOI RFI-CMRE-25-019

To : NATO Delegations
Attn. Secretaries of Delegations

Cc : STO FC

From : Head of Contracts

Subject : **Notification of Intention (NOI) to Issue a Request for Information (RFI) no. CMRE 25-019 in order to engage with industry and other eligible Entities, to support the future implementation of capabilities in the field of Test Bed Systems for Underwater Sensors and Vehicles at NATO STO Centre for Maritime Research and Experimentation (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 RFI stated above in the upcoming weeks.
2. This procurement action will follow the Formal Procurement procedure specified in Reference, adopted by the STO CMRE Procurement Procedures.

RFI Reference: CMRE-25-019

Title of RFI: Examination and implementation of capabilities in the field of Test Bed Systems for Underwater Sensors and Vehicles at STO Centre for Maritime Research and Experimentation (CMRE), in La Spezia, Italy.

Requirement: NATO, Science and Technology Organization, Centre for Maritime Research and Experimentation (NATO-STO-CMRE) intends to engage with industry and other eligible Entities, to support the future implementation of capabilities in the field of Test Bed Systems for

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Underwater Sensors and Vehicles. The intention is to evaluate what could be immediately available, the art-of-the-possible and state-of-the-art with respect systems, products, services, technologies, and methodologies pertaining to Test Bed Systems. A full description of the technical requirements will be provided with the RFI package.

Funding: Estimated amount above Euro 800K.

Classification: The solicitation documents are unclassified.

RFI Issue Date: 17 October 2025.

RFI Closing Date: 17 November 2025.

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

Website: <http://www.cmre.nato.int/procurement/open-solicitations>

3. You are hereby invited to nominate via email, by **16 October 2025**, the names, full address, point of contact, telephone, and e-mail address of potential qualified bidders, established within your country.

4. CMRE Contracting staff will email the RFI documents to all interested prospective bidders, as well as post them on the CMRE's website to make it available for download. This and any other correspondence hereto is to be addressed to:

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From : Head of Contracts

Subject : **Notification of Intention (NOI) to Issue an Invitation for International Bidding (IFIB) no. CMRE 25-020 for the Provision of IT Professional Support Services to NATO STO Centre for Maritime Research and Experimentation (CMRE), in La Spezia - Italy**

Reference : FC(2017)103-REV1 - NATO IS Procurement Manual

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IFIB Reference: CMRE-25-020

Title of IFIB: Provision of IT Professional Support Services to STO CMRE.

Requirement: The Centre for Maritime Research and Experimentation (CMRE) is an executive body of the Science and Technology Organization (STO). The CMRE organizes and conducts scientific research and technology development and delivers innovative field-tested science and technology solutions to address the defence and security needs of the Alliance. Within the CMRE Engineering and Information Technology Division (EITD), the Information Technology Department (IT) supports the execution of the programme of work (POW) through the conception, design, development and construction of state of the

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art technologies and (software) services in the field of computing, networking and modelling & simulation (M&S), ensuring interoperability, security and compliance with relevant NATO policies and regulations. CMRE is soliciting Contractor support to meet demands for specialist technical assistance in the field of Scientific Information Systems falling under Software Development and Data Management Section's responsibility, which exceed manpower assigned levels and scope. Application areas are centered on customer-funded projects as per the approved Centre's POW, and may extend to the operation of shared infrastructures used to deliver Centre output. The precise number of professionals and the profiles required will be detailed in the solicitation document.

Type of Contract: CMRE intends to award multiple Basic Ordering Agreements (BOAs) against which issue separate Firm Fixed Price (FFP), level of effort - Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) task orders based on pre-agreed hourly rates.

Period of Performance: BOAs validity period 01 January - 31 December 2026. Four additional option years are envisioned each of 12 months starting on 01 January 2027. Specific performance periods will be stated in the task orders.

Bidding Procedure: Sealed bid (no negotiations).

Award Method: Multiple awards based on Lowest Priced Technically Acceptable (LPTA) bids.

Funding: Estimated annual cost: Not to exceed Euro 900K.

Classification: The solicitation and the contract documents are unclassified. For certain profiles (to be identified in the solicitation document), possible access to NATO information classified as NATO Confidential (NC) or above is envisioned during performance of the services (no access to classified information is envisioned during the tendering process). Contractor personnel (including any type of freelance personnel or self-employed service providers) who will be performing services under the contracts/agreements awarded as a result of this solicitation and requiring access to NATO information classified NC¹ or above shall hold a NATO Personnel Security Clearance (PSC) at the required level and, if required by national laws and regulations,

¹ Also for NATO Restricted level, if required by national law and regulations.

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an appropriate Facility Security Clearance (FSC) – by service performance start (i.e. January 2026).

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IFIB Closing Date: 07-10 November 2025.

Eligibility: Solicitation is open to all Governmental and / or commercial entities that originate or are chartered / incorporated within NATO-member Nations. Contractor personnel performing services under the contract must be citizens of a NATO Nation.

Performance location(s): CMRE in La Spezia, Italy, or Contractor personnel's work location.

Partial bidding: Partial bidding and multiple awards are possible and foreseen.

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