

# Foreign & Commonwealth Office

## Expression of Interest (EoI)

Framework Agreement for:	CONFLICT, STABILITY & SECURITY FUND (CSSF) FRAMEWORK 2018
Reference Number:	CPG/2350/2018
Call-Off Title:	CSSF Lebanon: Lebanese Armed Forces National
Call-Off Reference:	Security Assistance Programme
BRAVOSolution / Jaggaer Reference:	Project_2341 PQQ_722

#### CSSF Lebanon: Lebanese Armed Forces – National Security Assistance Programme

Dear Sir / Madam,

You are hereby invited to submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) to the Secretary of State for Foreign & Commonwealth Affairs, hereinafter referred to as the "Authority", for the provision of: **CSSF Lebanon: Lebanese Armed Forces National Security Assistance Programme.** 

This Expression of Interest (EoI) is used to ascertain whether your organisation has the required capacity, capability, level of experience and resource available to perform this requirement under the Conflict, Stability and Security Fund (CSSF) Framework 2018. This document provides suppliers with a summary of the requirements in order to confirm whether or not you wish to participate in the Invitation to Tender.

If you have any questions about the EoI procedure or the information provided, please use the BRAVOSolution messaging function <u>ONLY</u>. Any direct contact with HMG staff including the Programme / Projects Team may result in disqualification from any subsequent tendering process.

Expression of Interests confirmations must be submitted as a response in the format stipulated within the BRAVOSolution PQQ and not as a message via the portal. EoI responses not submitted in the requisite format (eg using the BRAVO messaging functionality only) will not be considered. Expression of Interest not submitted via the BRAVO eProcurement portal will not be considered. If you have any questions about the tendering procedure, please use the BRAVO Solution messaging function.

A market engagement event will be held with interested suppliers on **Monday 15 April 2019** at King Charles Street, London. Suppliers interested in attending the event should provide the name of <u>one representative only</u> using the messaging functionality in the BRAVO tool.

Your Expression of Interest Tender must be submitted electronically via the FCO's e-Procurement Portal (BRAVO Solution) <u>https://fco.bravosolution.co.uk</u> by **12:00 hours UK time on Tuesday 23 April 2019.** 

The deadline for submissions of clarification questions is 12:00 hours UK time on Wednesday 17 April 2019

We look forward to your response.

**CSSF** Commercial Team

#### Purpose

This document is to notify suppliers on the CSSF 2018 Framework of upcoming potential requirements and to establish levels of competence and interest among suppliers.

#### Project Title : CSSF Lebanon: Lebanese Armed Forces – National Security Assistance Programme

#### **Objectives of Project**

The potential forthcoming Tender under consideration includes the provision of 'Train & Mentor' type interventions in support of Border Security and Internal Security, delivered at a significant scale, in Lebanon.

#### Summary of Requirements

The UK Government wishes to implement a security project in Lebanon. Implementing organisations should express their interest by providing a written submission of **no more than 3 pages** describing:

- 1. Specific examples of your organisation's experience in implementing:
  - Military-led border security projects in the Near East conflict zone (or similar context). Please include details of: the budget and the donor, the duration and location of the project, the role of your organisation in the design and management of the project, the nature and scale of any training provided; the nature and scale of any equipment provided; and measures of effect delivered.
  - Military-led internal security training projects in the Near East region (or similar context). Please include details of: the budget and the donor, the duration and location of the project, the role of your organisation in the design and management of the project, the nature and scale of any training provided; the nature and scale of any equipment provided; and measures of effect delivered
- 2. A statement, with supporting evidence, of the current readiness and capability of your organisation to undertake similar activities in the near future in Lebanon. Organisations must have offices registered in Lebanon or undertake to have such offices and registration by the commencement of the project.
- 3. Please provide details of three previously executed Contracts from either, or both, the public or private sector, that are relevant to this call for Expressions of Interest. These Contracts should have been executed during the past three years. Please also provide a contact for the Contracting Authority for these contracts. The contact should be prepared to confirm in writing to the FCO the accuracy of the information provided in the Expression of Interest.

In accordance with the terms of the CSSF Framework Agreement, the Authority reserves the right to exclude any supplier from participating in the Tender process if insufficient evidence is provided to demonstrate that the supplier has the required capability as set out above.

#### **Outputs/deliverables (if known)**

More information on the intended outputs and deliverables of the British Policing Support Programme will be provided at the market engagement event on Monday 15 April 2019. Suppliers interested in attending should send the names of one representative only using the Bravo messaging functionality no later than Thursday 11 April 2019 at 12:00.

#### Estimated Programme Spend (inc VAT)

Up to £ 20m, with a budget for FY1920 estimated at up to £5m.

Bids exceeding £ 20m over 32 months will not be considered.

### Key dates

The likely date of the ITT will be Wednesday, 1 May 2019.

The contract will be for **32 months, coming into effect in August 2019 (tentative) and ending on 31 March 2022.** There will be a break clause at the end of each financial year with future funding subject to UK Government objectives and successful performance delivery.

The Authority reserves the right to terminate any multi-year agreement at the end of each United Kingdom financial year if:

- 1. The supplier's performance is not deemed satisfactory;
- 2. The intervention is considered not to be meeting current HMG objectives; or,
- 3. The funds available to the Lebanon CSSF programme are no longer sufficient to continue financing the project.

Suppliers wishing to express an interest in this project must <u>only</u> respond to this EoI by submitting the Expression of Interest Form via EOI\_722 prior to the deadline indicated in the Timings section below. Responses submitted via the Bravo Messaging Tool will <u>not</u> (not) be considered.

In the event suppliers submit responses after the deadline, the Authority reserves the right to disqualify the submission and consequently, not invite the suppliers to subsequent stages of the tender.

Should suppliers fail to respond to this Expression of Interest via the Qualification Response Form as instructed above, the Authority will assume that those suppliers do not have the capacity or capability to fulfil the requirements of this project. Those supplier/s will therefore <u>not</u> (not) be invited to any subsequent call-off competition.

The Authority by issuing this invitation is not bound in any way and reserves the right not to tender the whole or any specified part of the EOI.

#### Timings:

Deadline for Bidder Expressions of Interest: 12:00 hours (UK time) on Tuesday, 23 April 2019.