



Expression of Interest – Support to Hunter-Killer Drone Technology Assessments

Without commitment or prejudice.

Introduction

Defence Science and Technology Laboratory (Dstl) is seeking candidate suppliers of Hunter-Killer (HK) drone solutions to attend and support a UK-based event to consider the effectiveness and performance of HK technologies.

The UAS CDC has been tasked to support the identification and engagement of candidate suppliers in order to gauge interest in attending such an event in 2024.

Requirement

As a supplier of a HK drone solution, this Expression of Interest seeks your response to the outline requirement of attending a testing event in 2024. All suppliers would be asked to supply and operate their HK drone equipment with Suitably Qualified Experienced Personnel (SQEP) pilots, with all requisite permissions and authorisations. The supplier would also be required to:

1. Operate the HK system at a UK testing range at a date and time to be agreed (likely to be summer 2024).
2. Support planning reviews in the run-up to the event.
3. Provide material, technical and safety-related information of the HK system to be operated, to support pre-trial review and approvals for flight operations.

The Opportunity for Industry

Supplier attendance at the event would not be funded by MOD at this time. However the event will afford an independent assessment of any supplied HK system, the outcome of which would be shared amongst Defence counter-UAS (C-UAS) stakeholders. All targets would be provided and operated by the MOD and it is believed the event will provide a suitable platform for suppliers to raise their profile within the UK Defence C-UAS community.

Registering Your Interest

If you wish to be considered for this opportunity, please register your interest to the UAS CDC with the following required information by end of day 31st October 2023:

1. Details of the platforms that you can offer to support the trial.
2. Advice of availability in 2024 to support the trials alluded to herein.

This information will allow the UAS CDC to assess your potential to provide support for this task and any applicants meeting the initial criteria may be issued with a detailed Request For Quote (RFQ) in due course. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.



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