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Request for Information for preliminary market consultation

The European Defence Agency (EDA) is conducting a preliminary market consultation through a Request for Information (RFI) on behalf of the contributing Member States of the Category B Project Arrangement PRJ.CAP.1269 “Collaborative Procurement of Ammunition (CPoA)”.

This RFI is issued solely for **market analysis purposes** and with a view to support the **identification of potential economic operators** established in the European Union and Norway, capable to manufacture and deliver the 155 mm artillery ammunition, based on their technical capability and respective capacity. This list will be used by EDA to identify economic operators that may be invited in a negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice.

This preliminary market consultation is **NOT** to be considered as a commitment by the EDA.

Participation by the economic operators in this RFI is completely **VOLUNTARY** and as such all costs to develop the response are to be borne by the participating economic operators.

All interested economic operators are encouraged to submit in writing their response by using the template in the Annex **no later than the 17/04/2023 at 11:00 (Brussels time)** to: ise@eda.europa.eu

Electronic submission of responses to this RFI is preferred.

If a document/file(s) is/are too large for email submission, please contact ise@eda.europa.eu for a drop-off link for submission request or to arrange its/their hand delivery during the RFI period to EDA in a sealed envelope.

The information individually provided by the economic operators, in reply to this RFI, are treated with high level of confidentiality and it will never be shared with other economic operators or any other third parties. Such data will be processed by EDA in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 2018/1725, pursuant to Article 31 of Council Decision (CSFP) 2015/1835.

An information session in the form of a webinar will be held by EDA on 12/04/2023. All operators interested to attend this webinar can contact the ise@eda.europa.eu for accreditation not later than Tuesday **11/04/2023 at 10:00** (Brussels time).

All interested economic operators established in the European Union and Norway are requested to provide the following information by filling in the attached annex:

1. A summary of your production capacity and the percentage of subcontracted parts (fuze, projectile, propelling charge, primer), inside and/or outside of the European Union borders.

2. Experience in supplying the 155 mm artillery (NATO calibre) All-Up-Rounds (fuze, projectile, propelling charge, primer) in configurations High Explosive (HE) and High Explosive Extended Range (HE-ER).
3. The status of your **compliance** with the **Joint Ballistic Memorandum of Understanding (JMBOU)** about the 155 mm (NATO calibre) artillery All-Up-Rounds HE and HE-ER manufactured/supplied by your Company.
4. The status of **qualification**, in accordance with the requirements of the related **NATO standards (STANAGs)**, of the 155 mm (NATO calibre) artillery All-Up-Rounds HE/HE-ER in relation to the components:
 - a. Fuze
 - b. Projectile
 - c. Propelling charge
 - d. Primer
5. The status of **compatibility** (certification - Certificate of system compatibility or equivalent) of the 155 mm (NATO calibre) artillery All-Up-Round (fuze, projectile, propelling charge, primer) HE/HE-ER with the following artillery 155 mm (NATO) weapon systems:
 - a. PzH 2000
 - b. CAESAR
 - c. KRAB
 - d. ZUZANA (2/2000)

If a projectile 155 mm HE/HE-ER is designed and produced for more than one of the four above-mentioned weapon system 155 mm (NATO calibre), please confirm if a valid certification (Certificate of System Compatibility or equivalent) is owned by you.

6. Your average turn over in the last three years of closed accounts.

Annex: [Template] Reply to EDA RFI on Artillery Ammunition 155 mmm (NATO Calibre)