

# NORDIC COMBAT UNIFORM SYSTEM



**Nordic cooperation**  
**Denmark, Finland, Sweden and Norway**

20<sup>th</sup> of April 2016

## Project description

The Nordic combat uniform system (NCU) project is a cooperation between Denmark, Finland, Sweden and Norway for a possible procurement of a combat uniform system with accessories. The project is part of the Nordic Defence Cooperation (NORDEFECO).

The Norwegian Defence Materiel Agency (NDMA) is leading the processes, supported by the Finnish Defence Forces Logistics Command (FDFLOGCOM), the Swedish Defence Materiel Administration (FMV) and the Danish Defence Acquisition and Logistics Organisation (DALO).

### Project scope uniform system

The concept is to have a multi-layering combat uniform system which is functional in varying conditions; arctic, tropical and desert.

Overview of the NCU system:

- Improved combat endurance for the soldiers
- Improved protection from environmental and other indirect threats
- Improved modularity and flexibility
- Reduced over-all volume and weight compared to existing equipment

The NCU system should replace the following components:

- Light and heavy field uniform woodland/multi cam
- Light field uniform desert and tropical
- Outer shell uniform woodland/multi cam and desert
- Insulation jacket and trouser
- Under Armour Shirt woodland and desert
- Winter camouflage uniform
- Mid layer clothing and underwear

## **Project scope combat boots and uniform accessories**

In addition to the NCU system, the project is considering whether combat boots and combat gloves should be part of a potential joint procurement.

### **Request for information (RFI)**

The project has published a RFI at Merzell.dk, please see the following link:

<http://permalink.merzell.com/58021229.aspx>

Deadline for replies is the 20<sup>th</sup> of May 2016 at 1:00pm CET. Based on the replies, NCU will invite vendors/suppliers to a RFI conference in Copenhagen, Denmark in June 2016. For further details, please see the RFI documents.

### **Timeline**

The project intends to announce the tender for the NCU system on Tender European Daily (TED) and Doffin.no by the end of 2016.

The project intends to conduct a prequalification of bidders, and arrange a conference with the prequalified bidders in Q1 2017.

There will be a trial period consisting of laboratory tests and troop trials before final negotiations.

After trials and negotiations the contract will be awarded and signed. Each nation will sign their own contract with the chosen supplier(s) by the end of 2018.

First delivery is expected during 2019.

**Note!** All plans and dates are tentative!

## Further information

For further information about the project and the time line, please see the project web-site:

[www.nordefco.org/ncu](http://www.nordefco.org/ncu)



All written communication will be in English.