



#38 - Getting to MILCON Request For Proposal (RFP) in the UK

Summary

This presentation demystifies the US MILCON lifecycle for projects within the United Kingdom. It provides a framework for navigating challenges unique to the UK during Initiation, Planning, and Design, focusing on reconciling US standards with UK RIBA stages, engaging local planning authorities, and adapting to the Host Nation's RFP process.

Full Description

The presentation will be broken down into three distinct sections: Project Initiation, Advanced Planning, & Design. Each section (i.e. "3. Design") will briefly introduce the project phase, and each sub-section (i.e. "A. Customer Initiation") will contain a "current status/issues" slide followed by a "current interim solution employed/possible long-term solution" slide engaging the topics (i.e. "ii. Parallel Efforts") in the outline below:

1. Project Initiation— section that focuses on the expectations for work to be completed by project sponsors
 - A. Customer Initiation
 - i. Level of requirements identification
 - ii. Accounting for different project sponsors
2. Advanced Planning (Planning Charrette 2) –
 - A. Available PCR2 Execution Methods
 - i. Direct Deliver
 - ii. Host Nation Delivery
 - B. Validating and refining requirements in the Host Nation
 - i. Site requirements, mission requirements, site selection
 - ii. Host Nation partner engagement / support
 - iii. Satisfying UFC and theater proponent regulations/instructions
 - iv. Satisfying environment, fire, and other Host Nation requirements

3. Design—section briefing discussing the transition to and development of a MILCON Design (aka P&D)-funded design with the intent for RFP and contract award within year of appropriation
 - A. Transitioning from Planning to Design
 - i. Time & budget considerations
 - ii. Survey funding conflicts
 - B. Completing the design to a standard/level acceptable to the local construction market.
 - i. Reconciling US (AACE) design maturity standards with UK RIBA
 - ii. Accounting for Local Planning approvals
 - iii. Accounting for the Host Nation RFP process

Learning Objectives

- Define MILCON/UMMC project initiation requirements by Project Sponsor/Installation for work with AFIMSC DET4/CEL.
- Define best practices for project initiation and early project engagement with the Host Nation's DIO.
- Define the methods available for Advanced Planning (PCRII) & Design (Focused on 35% Design).
- Understand the requirements for achieving completion of Advanced Planning & Design for RFP development in the UK.

Speakers

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