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Planning

Strengthening Higher Education for Female Empowerment (SHEFE)

Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.3) Communication

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Strengthening Higher Education for Female Empowerment (SHEFE)

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 75211200 - Foreign economic-aid-related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Strengthening Higher Education for Female Empowerment (SHEFE) programme aims to reform Higher Education systems to deliver a better future for women and girls. Operating through a partnership model, the programme will influence system-wide change through bringing together relevant stakeholders. This new programme will build on the successful legacy of the FCDO's Strategic Partnerships for Higher Education Innovation and Reform (SPHEIR) programme. SHEFE will identify and address complex barriers preventing young women accessing higher education and successfully transitioning to productive employment, including tackling sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment (SEAH). The programme outputs also include the establishment of a Higher Education Centre of Expertise, a new demand-led, draw down facility to ensure the FCDO's global network has access to high-quality technical expertise, best practice and tailored policy advice.

This EME will introduce the aims of the SHEFE programme to the market; stimulate interest; solicit feedback and on its scope, design and delivery model; and share information on the wider programme's timeframe for delivery.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £45,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 75211200 - Foreign economic-aid-related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

31 August 2023

Section IV. Procedure
IV.1) Description**IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes