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Planning

Zambia Poverty Reduction Programme

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office

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Scope

Reference

project_13288

Description

Services for the ZPRP, the Zambia - Building Resilience, Inclusive Development, Growth and Evidence (ZAMBRIDGE) component valued at up to £13,600,000.

Total value (estimated)

- £8,880,000 excluding VAT
- £13,600,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 2 November 2026 to 1 November 2030
- Possible extension to 31 October 2032
- 5 years, 11 months, 29 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 75211200 - Foreign economic-aid-related services

Engagement

Engagement deadline

31 March 2026

Engagement process description

Following the earlier engagement event in December 2025, the UK Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) would like to invite interested parties to attend a further Early Market Engagement (EME). This is an opportunity for prospective suppliers to engage with the Lusaka programme leads and feedback on the draft Terms of Reference for the Building Resilience, Inclusive Development, Growth and Evidence (ZAMBRIDGE), component 1 of the ZPRP programme. ZPRP aims reduce levels of poverty and vulnerability within Zambia. ZPRP has budgeted approximately £38.5m over six (6) years with up to £13.6m allocated to component 1.

The event will take place 09:00 - 09:30 GMT / 11:00 - 12:30 CAT on Thursday 19th February 2026 and will be online via Microsoft Teams, with representation from both the project office in Lukasa, Zambia and FCDO Commercial.

How to register for this EME:

If you are interested in attending this Early Market Engagement event, then please register via the form at <https://forms.office.com/e/9yTNcbKtsK>

The link to the meeting (MS Teams platform) will be distributed via the messaging system on the FCDO eTendering portal and via email for those registered before noon on 17th February 2026.

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

31 March 2026

Contracting authority

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office

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