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## **Procurement of a Contractor to provide New Build Office and Refurbishment Works to the existing British High Commission in Maputo, Mozambique**

Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office

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Prior information only

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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**Region code**

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Main address

[www.gov.uk/fcdo/](http://www.gov.uk/fcdo/)

Buyer's address

<https://fcdo.bravosolution.co.uk/>

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Procurement of a Contractor to provide New Build Office and Refurbishment Works to the existing British High Commission in Maputo, Mozambique

Reference number

ESND-8742-2022

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 45000000 - Construction work

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Works

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

The Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office (“FCDO”) intend to engage the market in relation to this project as part of early market engagement activity in accordance with Regulation 40 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015. The purpose of this PIN is to initiate market engagement and is not being used as a call for competition.

This PIN is intended to:

1. Engage with and inform the market of the FCDO’s requirements, enabling potential contractors to better understand the scope of the requirement and the approach to the procurement process;
2. Request feedback from the market on FCDO’s procurement approach and provide an opportunity for potential contractors to feedback on requirements;

and

3. Provide detail of the upcoming early market engagement event which will be held toward the end of week commencing 4th September 2023 – date TBC.

Details on how to provide feedback and register for this event is provided in section VI.3 (Additional Information).

Please refer to section II.2.4 Description of the Procurement for details in relation to the requirement.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £8,500,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 45000000 - Construction work
- 45210000 - Building construction work
- 45300000 - Building installation work
- 45453100 - Refurbishment work
- 71300000 - Engineering services

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- MZ - Mozambique

Main site or place of performance

Maputo, Mozambique

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The FCDO has a requirement to build a single-storey extension and remodel of the existing British High Commission in Maputo, Mozambique. This project aims to provide a modern, functional office for all FCDO operations in Maputo.

Key project objectives include:

1. Quality – Good workmanship to provide a good quality working environment; the finish construction should be free from defects and able to meet the operational needs of the department.

2. High standard of Health and Safety – The management of the works is to be in accordance with the UK CDM Regulations 2015.

3. Sustainability – Improve the compounds sustainability practice. Best practice for sustainability standards are to be implemented including reaching a BREEAM target of “Good”

4. Security – Security is to be maintained at all times during the construction works, whilst maintaining BHC Security operations.

The FCDO is seeking to appoint a Principal Contractor to deliver the Scope of Works comprising:

- Refurbishment of the BHC Main Building and Guardhouses
- Improvements to Gym Building
- External landscape improvements
- Construction of a new single storey extension building and connecting courtyard.

The department are also considering the following additional scope:

- Security improvements and minor refurbishments, including electrical alternations, to an offsite building.

The estimated value of works is £7-10m. Please note that the value stated is an estimate at this stage and will be finalised within the Contract Notice.

The form of contract is anticipated to be an NEC4 Engineering and Construction Contract, Option A: Fixed Price contract with Activity Schedule. However, this is subject to change.

The anticipated Procurement Process to be run is Restricted Procedure in accordance with Regulation 28 of the Public Contract Regulations 2015. This is subject to change following agreement of the final procurement strategy.

The procurement is planned to commence in October 2023, with an anticipated award date of August 2024. The anticipated start date for works on site is October 2024, with a planned completion date in June 2026. Please note at this stage these are anticipated dates and are subject to change.

### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

27 October 2023

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## 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

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

FCDO is seeking feedback from the market on our procurement approach and wish to understand capacity and interest to provide New Build Office and Refurbishment Works to the existing British High Commission in Maputo, Mozambique.

This notice is being published to advertise a forthcoming early market engagement event, which will be held on week commencing 4th September 2023 (date TBC). The anticipated format of the market engagement will be a webinar whereby FCDO will introduce the project background, requirements, timelines and initial procurement approach.

FCDO are also seeking feedback on our requirements and procurement approach. We kindly ask interested contractors to complete the survey here

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=1gqPSDHc10-0q7fJ-XUxytA4Zjb9k-VBjAgb2rgwt6tUQk1CUzVFS1ZPTDJLQkdXTkZaREVCVE5GNC4u> by 11th August 2023. Contractors wishing to attend the forthcoming market engagement event should register their interest by completing the survey and emailing [mollie.giuffrida@fcdo.gov.uk](mailto:mollie.giuffrida@fcdo.gov.uk).

Following the market engagement event, FCDO may offer follow up 1-2-1 engagement sessions with relevant contractors who are interested in the requirement and or have useful market information to share.

The contracting authority will consider the feedback received to help inform its procurement approach and further decision making. For the avoidance of doubt, this market approach is not part of a formal procurement process, and the contracting authority is not committing, at this stage, to carrying out such a process. The FCDO reserves the right to change the process at any stage and to undertake this procurement using alternative routes.

Participation or non-participation in this market engagement exercise shall not prevent any supplier participating in a potential future procurement, nor is it intended that any

information supplied as part of this exercise shall place any supplier at an advantage in a potential procurement process. No formal assessment of capability or down selection of bidders will be carried out in relation to any responses received as a result of this.

The requirement will be procured via the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office's eprocurement portal: <https://fcdo.bravosolution.co.uk>. Suppliers, not currently registered on the portal, who are interested in being considered for this opportunity must self-register on the site in order to participate — registration is free and instantaneous.

If you are interested in FCDO requirements, we encourage contractors to consider registering for the FCDO Construction DPS. Further details can be found: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/foreign-commonwealth-development-office/about/procurement>

Please note, the information contained within this Prior Information Notice (PIN) is subject to change.