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# The South Africa-UK International Economic Partnership (IEP)

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

# I.1) Name and addresses

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office

Abercrombie House

East Kilbride

G75 8EA

#### **Email**

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#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

UKM95 - South Lanarkshire

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://fcdo.proactisportal.com/Account/Login

## I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

## 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

Other activity

International Development

# **Section II: Object**

# II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

The South Africa-UK International Economic Partnership (IEP)

Reference number

PROJ10211

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 75211200 - Foreign economic-aid-related services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

This is a Prior Information Notice only. Publication and a call for competition will be conducted once the scope of work is fully defined and approved.

The UK Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) at the British High Commission in Pretoria (BHC), South Africa, seeks to appoint a Supplier to deliver a flexible, and demand-led economic governance programme, in a partnership between the UK and South Africa government.

The programme will work through the global economic governance system, to strengthen the influence of coalitions between South Africa, the UK, and other low or middle-income countries, to bring about better pro-poor, inclusive policymaking, and a stronger economic recovery to COVID-19.

This programme aims to forge new ways of collaboration between the UK and South African government around economic policy priorities such as 1-3\* below. These initial policy priorities will be developed further in coordination with the supplier, the South African and UK governments, and will change throughout the programme life cycle, responding to a changing economic policy environment.

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- (2) A Green Recovery to COVID: improving climate mitigation and adaptation across the region, increasing green investment, enhancing just energy transitions.
- (3) Trade and Investment: increasing trade and investment flows into the region, promoting negotiation and implementation of the African Continental Free Trade Agreement (AfCFTA).
- \*Economic Policy Priorities subject to change during the programme lifecycle, and to be agreed upon by the UK-South Africa cross-governmental Steering Committee which will be facilitated by the Supplier.

Please register interest to the FCDO Supplier Portal for this opportunity (PROJ10211) to receive all communication and updates.

There will be an Early Market Engagement Event on 14th October 2021. For all information regarding times and venues please access these details within the additional information contained under the Documents tab.

Note, there are 2 elements to registration which must not be confused with each other

- 1. Suppliers must register their interest to PROJ10211 on the FCDO Supplier Portal to ensure they receive all communications and updates (this is not registration to attend the event) .
- 2. Within the profile of PROJ10211 on the portal, there are attachments which contain the link to register to attend the EME event.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £4,000,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### II.2) Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKM95 - South Lanarkshire

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

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#### II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £4,000,000

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

31 January 2022

# **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