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Planning

Support for Malawi's National Maths Curriculum Reform

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

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

Support for Malawi's National Maths Curriculum Reform

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 UK Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) anticipates running a competitive procurement for a programme to continue our support for Malawi's National Maths Curriculum Reform.

The UK has supported the Government of Malawi over the last five years to develop a new maths curriculum that can be implemented through a structured pedagogy approach that uses workbooks to guide lessons. This is now being rolled out at national scale in every primary school in Malawi alongside reforms supported by other development partners which all aim to tackle the crisis in foundational learning.

FCDO anticipates continuing our support to complete the scale-up of this reform across the first four grades of primary school and embedding the change in how maths is taught over the next five years, as well as Technical Assistance to support foundational learning systems strengthening reforms under Ministry of Education leadership. This is component 1 of a new Education Business Case called "Maziko A Maphunziro"

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £28,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80100000 - Primary education services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- MW - Malawi

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This programme will build on the success of the current support and deliver four (4) overarching capabilities as detailed below:

1. Complete the scale-up of the reform through to the 4th year of primary school (standard 4).

2. Provide ongoing coaching and training to ensure the reform sticks given high teacher turnover.

government-led reform in a resource-scarce context.

3. Ensure student teachers learn the new maths curriculum in the teacher training colleges.

4. Ensure the continued procurement and distribution of the workbooks underpinning this reform.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

28 April 2025

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

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

This market engagement will be a virtual event taking place on the 11th December 2024.

Prospective suppliers wishing to attend the event should register their interest using the online form: <https://forms.office.com/e/83v23n7SU2>

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FCDO will therefore be hosting a Market Engagement Event for prospective suppliers of this support to attend with the following objectives:

- (1) Provide an overview and understanding of the programme to potential bidders
- (2) Understand the level of market interest
- (3) Test FCDO assumptions with market
- (4) Solicit insights from the market to help ensure the final Terms of Reference are clear
- (5) Highlight key procurement messages
- (6) Connect prospective bidders who may wish to form consortia

Further detail on the location and time of the event will be provided to those who register. Please note the event is virtual only.

