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Planning

ASEAN-UK SAGE (Supporting the Advancement of Girls' Education) - EME

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office

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Scope

Description

The ASEAN-UK Supporting the Advancement of Girls' Education (ASEAN-UK SAGE) programme is a six-year Business Case funded by the UK's Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) through the UK Mission to ASEAN. Delivered in two phases, the UK Mission to ASEAN is now seeking eligible organisation(s) to deliver a three-year Phase 2.

Phase 2 will run for three UK financial years, from April 2026 to March 2029, with a total budget of £9,000,000. It will be delivered by a lead organisation under an agreement with the UK Mission to ASEAN, supported by downstream partners as needed.

The focus of ASEAN-UK SAGE is to support inclusive and equitable quality education for children across Southeast Asia Region in close collaboration with ASEAN secretariat, especially for girls and the most marginalised, contributing to regional integration and narrowing of development disparities between ASEAN Member States (AMS) .

The emphasis in Phase 2 will be on the use of evidence to improve learning outcomes and inclusion, especially for priority countries in the region.

Total value (estimated)

- £9,000,000 excluding VAT
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Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2029
- Possible extension to 31 March 2031
- 5 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 75211200 - Foreign economic-aid-related services

Contract locations

- KH - Cambodia
- ID - Indonesia
- LA - Laos
- MY - Malaysia

- BN - Brunei
- MM - Myanmar (Burma)
- PH - Philippines
- SG - Singapore
- TH - Thailand
- VN - Vietnam

Engagement

Engagement deadline

15 December 2025

Engagement process description

Initially this notice is to invite attendees to an Early Market Engagement Event, where this programme and its requirements will be outlined by the Programme Team, and attendees are invited to provide feedback and ask questions. A draft Terms of Reference will be shared ahead of the EME. Please note the route to market - Open/CFP/Light Touch regime, or FCDO Framework, has not been finalised at this point. Registrations should be done at: <https://forms.office.com/e/7GUCgNa3iF>

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

15 December 2025

Procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PXRR-8771-PHVX

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government