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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

Reference

PROJ 12986

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)

- £6,000,000 excluding VAT
- £6,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 July 2026 to 31 March 2029
- Possible extension to 31 March 2031
- 4 years, 9 months

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 80000000 - Education and training services

Contract locations

- VN - Vietnam

- TH - Thailand
- SG - Singapore
- PH - Philippines
- MM - Myanmar (Burma)
- MY - Malaysia
- LA - Laos
- ID - Indonesia
- KH - Cambodia
- BN - Brunei

Engagement

Engagement deadline

27 November 2025

The engagement was carried out before this notice was published.

Engagement process description

Draft Terms of Reference shared; Market Engagement event advertised publicly via PIN notice and FCDO comms channels; Event held on 23rd October; All questions, answers and EME materials subsequently distributed via email on 27 November, including confirmation of route to market decision of a Competitive Flexible Procedure.

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

26 January 2026

Contracting authority

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office

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