PROCUREMENT PLAN (Textual Part)

Project information: Democratic Republic Democratic of Congo - SME Development and Growth Project P160806

Project Implementation agency: CFef (PPA)

Date of the Procurement Plan: November 27, 2017

Period covered by this Procurement Plan: December 2017 – May 2018

Preamble

In accordance with paragraph 5.9 of the “World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” (July 2016 and revised November 2017) (“Procurement Regulations”) the Bank’s Systematic Tracking and Exchanges in Procurement (STEP) system will be used to prepare, clear and update Procurement Plans and conduct all procurement transactions for the Project.

This textual part along with the Procurement Plan tables in STEP constitute the Procurement Plan for the Project. The following conditions apply to all procurement activities in the Procurement Plan. The other elements of the Procurement Plan as required under paragraph 4.4 of the Procurement Regulations are set forth in STEP.

The Bank’s Standard Procurement Documents: shall be used for all contracts subject to international competitive procurement and those contracts as specified in the Procurement Plan tables in STEP.

National Procurement Arrangements: In accordance with paragraph 5.3 of the Procurement Regulations, when approaching the national market (as specified in the Procurement Plan tables in STEP), the country’s own procurement procedures may be used.

When the Borrower uses its own national open competitive procurement arrangements as set forth in the Borrower’s Public Procurement Law No 10/010 of April 27, 2010 (PPL) and the Manual of Procedures of the PPL as per Borrower’s Decree No 10/22 of June 2, 2010, such arrangements shall be subject to paragraph 5.4 of the Procurement Regulations and the following conditions.

(a) Standard Bidding Documents: All standard bidding documents to be used for the Project under NCB shall be found acceptable to the World Bank before their use during the implementation of Project;

(b) Eligibility: Eligibility of bidders and acceptability of their goods and services shall not be based on their nationality and/or their origin; and association with a national firm shall not be a condition for participation in a bidding process. Therefore, except for the ineligibility situations referred to in paragraphs 1.10(a) (i) and 1.10(a) (ii) of the Procurement Guidelines, the eligibility of bidders must be based solely on their
qualification, experience and capacity to carry out the contract related to the specific
bidding process;

(c) **Advertising and Bid Preparation Time**: Bidding opportunities shall be advertised at
least in a national newspaper of wide circulation and on the website of the Recipient’s
Procurement Regulator (*Autorité de Régulation des Marchés Publics*) and bidders
should be given at least 30 days from the date of invitation to bid or the date of
availability of the bidding documents, whichever is later;

(d) **Criteria for Qualification of Bidders**: Qualification criteria shall only concern the
bidder’s capability and resources to perform the contract taking into account objective
and measurable factors. Such criteria for qualification of bidders shall be clearly
specified in the bidding documents;

(e) **Bid Evaluation and Contract Award**: A contract shall be awarded to the substantially
responsive and lowest evaluated bidder provided that such bidder meets the
qualification criteria specified in the bidding documents. No scoring system shall be
allowed for the evaluation of bids, and no “blanket” limitation to the number of lots
which can be awarded to a bidder shall apply. The criteria for bid evaluation and the
contract award conditions shall be clearly specified in the bidding documents;

(f) **Preferences**: No preference shall be given to domestic/regional bidders; to
domestically/regionally manufactured goods; and to bidders forming a joint venture
with a national firm or proposing national sub-contractors or carrying out economic
activities in the territory of the Recipient;

(g) **Publication of Contract Award**: Information on all contract awards shall be published
in at least a national newspaper of wide circulation or in the Recipient’s Procurement
Regulator (*Autorité de Régulation des Marchés Publics*) web-site;

(h) **Fraud and Corruption**: In accordance with the Procurement Guidelines, each bidding
document and contract shall include provisions stating the World Bank’s policy to
sanction firms or individuals found to have engaged in fraud and corruption as set forth
in the Procurement Guidelines;

(i) **Inspection and Audit Rights**: In accordance with the Procurement Guidelines, each
bidding document and contract shall include provisions stating the World Bank’s policy
with respect to inspection and audit of accounts, records and other documents relating
to the bid submission and contract performance;

(j) **Requirement for administrative documents and/or tax clearance certificate**: The
bidding documents shall not require foreign bidders to produce any administrative or
tax related certificates prior to confirmation of awarding a contract; and

(k) **Modifications of a Signed Contract**: Any change in the contract amount which, singly
or combined with all previous changes, increases the original contract amount by
fifteen (15) percent or more must be done through an amendment to the signed contract
instead of signing a new contract.

When other national procurement arrangements other than national open competitive
procurement arrangements are applied by the Borrower, such arrangements shall be subject
to paragraph 5.5 of the Procurement Regulations.
**Leased Assets** as specified under paragraph 5.10 of the Procurement Regulations: Leasing may be used for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan tables. “Not Applicable”

**Procurement of Second Hand Goods** as specified under paragraph 5.11 of the Procurement Regulations – is allowed for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan tables. “Not Applicable”

**Domestic preference** as specified under paragraph 5.51 of the Procurement Regulations (Goods and Works).

Goods: is applicable for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan tables;

**Other Relevant Procurement Information.** “Not Applicable”
## PROCUREMENT

Congo, Democratic Republic of : BRC- SME Development and Growth Project

### PLAN

**General Information**
- **Country:** Congo, Democratic Republic of
- **Project Name:** BRC- SME Development and Growth Project
- **ID:** P103986
- **GPN Date:** 2019-02-20

**Consultant Entrepreneurs of Firm (cabinet/ONG)**
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