

<b>Procurement Plan</b>
<b>Project information:</b> Republic of Palau, ICT SECTOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT (P160504)
<b>Project Implementation agency:</b> Ministry of Finance
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<b>Period covered by this Procurement Plan:</b> March 1, 2018 to September, 2019
<b>Preamble</b>
In accordance with paragraph 5.9 of the "World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" (July 2016) ("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.
<b>The Bank's Standard Procurement Documents:</b> shall be used for all contracts subject to international competitive procurement and those contracts as specified in the Procurement Plan tables in STEP.
<b>National Procurement Arrangements:</b> 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 Procurement Law (RPPL No. 3-54), such arrangements shall be subject to paragraph 5.4 of the Procurement Regulations and the following conditions:
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The procurement is open to all eligible firms from any country;</li> <li>2. The request for bids/request for proposals document shall require the Bidders/Proposers submitting Bids/Proposals present a signed acceptance at the time of bidding, to be incorporated in any resulting signed contracts, confirming application of, and compliance with, the Bank's Anti-Corruption Guidelines, including without limitation the Bank's right to sanction and the Bank's inspection and audit rights;</li> <li>3. Publication of contract award information;</li> <li>4. Rights for the Bank to review procurement documentation and activities; and</li> <li>5. An effective complaints mechanism.</li> </ol>
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.
<b>Leased Assets</b> as specified under paragraph 5.10 of the Procurement Regulations: <b>Not Applicable</b>

**Procurement of Second Hand Goods** as specified under paragraph 5.11 of the Procurement Regulations: **Not Applicable**

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

Goods: **is not applicable;**

Works: **is not applicable.**

