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## Contract notice

### Services

Directive 2014/24/EU

#### **Section I: Contracting authority**

##### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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NUTS code: UKM95

##### **Internet address(es):**

Main address: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-international-development>  
Address of the buyer profile: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-international-development/about/procurement>

##### **I.2) Joint procurement**

##### **I.3) Communication**

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at: <https://supplierportal.dfid.gov.uk/selfservice/>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <https://supplierportal.dfid.gov.uk/selfservice/>

##### **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions

##### **I.5) Main activity**

Other activity: Overseas Aid

#### **Section II: Object**

##### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

##### **II.1.1) Title:**

Zambia Scaling Up Nutrition Pooled Fund Management Programme (SUN Fund)  
Reference number: 7720

##### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

75211200

##### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

##### **II.1.4) Short description:**

DFID wishes to secure the services of a service provider to manage the Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Fund in Zambia. The service provider, referred to as the Fund Manager (FM), will be contracted to manage a

“pooled fund” to support implementation of the expanded and updated national First 1000 Most Critical Days Programme (MCDP II) coordinated by the National Food and Nutrition Commission (NFNC) under the Ministry of Health. The “pooled fund” will involve contributions from several Cooperating Partners (CPs) and is expected to provide between £15 and £50 million for programme implementation including front line service delivery and associated costs in at least 30 districts over 5 years. The FM will manage a minimum Contract value of £15m of DFID funding rising up to £50m as contributions from other CPs come to fruition. The budget will cover all costs associated with delivery of the programme.

**II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 50 000 000.00 GBP

**II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

**II.2) Description**

**II.2.1) Title:**

**II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS code: UKM95

**II.2.4) Description of the procurement:**

The principal objective of the Fund Manager will be to manage the SUN Fund as a joint financing mechanism to support the implementation of the First 1000 MCDP. The key functions are: programme management; grant disbursements and fiduciary risk management; financial and procurement management and sustainable institutional capacity strengthening.

The expected outputs include the following:

- a) Scale up implementation of cost-effective high impact direct and indirect nutrition interventions which contribute to reduced stunting in at least 30 districts;
- b) Strengthened capacity in NFNC and selected line Ministries to ensure effective coordination, management and implementation of quality nutrition programmes across sectors;
- c) An efficient and transparent SUN Fund which works to efficiently channel donor resources to reduce stunting and also increases government leadership and ownership of improving nutrition; and
- d) Strengthened capacity in NFNC to effectively manage and analyse nutrition information for policy and strategic decision-making.

**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Quality of Personnel / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Demonstration of capacity to fund manage a cost-effective programme which could be scaled up or down. / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Methodology / Weighting: 35

Cost criterion - Name: Commercial / Weighting: 40

**II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 50 000 000.00 GBP

**II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months: 60

This contract is subject to renewal: no

**II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

**II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: yes

Description of options:

The Contract may be extended up to a further 12 months subject to need and DFID approval of proposed costs to deliver this work. Contract continuity will be subject to successful performance involving an initial 4 months inception phase, and then annually for the entire programme duration.

**II.2.12) Information about electronic catalogues**

**II.2.13) Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: yes

Identification of the project: PO 7720 - Zambia Scaling Up Nutrition Pooled Fund Management Programme (SUN)

**II.2.14) Additional information**

**Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

**III.1) Conditions for participation**

**III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions:

Mandatory and discretionary exclusion, economic and financial standing, technical and professional ability, modern slavery act 2015 requirements, minimum insurance requirements, tenderers past performance, duty of care, international aid transparency initiative, acceptance of DFID Terms and conditions and DFID supply partner code of conduct, as outlined in the procurement documents. A Tenderer must meet the selection criterion in relation to reliability namely that DFID must be satisfied that

(i) the contracts on the list to be provided by the Tenderer have been satisfactorily performed in accordance with their terms or,

(ii) where that has not occurred, the reason or reasons why that has not occurred in relation to any such contract, will not recur in the performance of the contract to be awarded

The contract will be governed by English Law. All payments for the contract will be made in GBP Sterling. DFID reserves the right to annul the process at any point and not award the contract.

Legal form to be taken by the grouping of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded – Joint and several liabilities. DFID reserves the right to require joint ventures to form a single legal entity.

**III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

**III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

**III.1.5) Information about reserved contracts**

**III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

**III.2.1) Information about a particular profession**

**III.2.2) Contract performance conditions:**

**III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

**Section IV: Procedure**

**IV.1) Description**

- IV.1.1) **Type of procedure**  
Open procedure
- IV.1.3) **Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**
- IV.1.4) **Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue**
- IV.1.6) **Information about electronic auction**
- IV.1.8) **Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**  
The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes
- IV.2) **Administrative information**
- IV.2.1) **Previous publication concerning this procedure**
- IV.2.2) **Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**  
Date: 15/02/2018  
Local time: 12:00
- IV.2.3) **Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**
- IV.2.4) **Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted:**  
English
- IV.2.6) **Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**  
Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)
- IV.2.7) **Conditions for opening of tenders**  
Date: 15/02/2018  
Local time: 12:00

#### **Section VI: Complementary information**

- VI.1) **Information about recurrence**  
This is a recurrent procurement: no
- VI.2) **Information about electronic workflows**  
Electronic payment will be used
- VI.3) **Additional information:**  
The Authority expressly reserves the right not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice and in no circumstances will the Authority be liable for any costs incurred by the candidates.  
Procurement documents can be accessed through the DFID Supplier portal (<https://supplierportal.dfid.gov.uk/selfservice/>).
- VI.4) **Procedures for review**
- VI.4.1) **Review body**  
Gerry O'Connor, Department for International Development  
Eaglesham Road  
East Kilbride  
G75 8EA  
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- VI.4.2) **Body responsible for mediation procedures**  
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VI.4.3) **Review procedure**

VI.4.4) **Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**  
21/12/2017