

PROCUREMENT PLAN (Textual Part)

Project information: Ecuador Access to Finance for Productive Purpose for MSMEs P-172899

Project Implementation agency: National Financial Corporation

Date of the Procurement Plan: May 8, 2020

Period covered by this Procurement Plan: May 8, 2020 – November 8, 2021

Preamble

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.

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 Organic Law of the National System of Public Procurement, such arrangements shall be subject to paragraph 5.4 of the Procurement Regulations.

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 not applicable;

Works: is not applicable

Other Relevant Procurement Information.

Procurement Plan. In accordance with paragraph 5.9 of the 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. A Procurement Plan covering the first 18 months of the project implementation was prepared by the Borrower in accordance with the results provided by the PPSD and will be agreed with the World Bank as part of the Negotiations. A summary of PPSD, including recommended procurement approach for higher risk/value contracts.

Consulting services to be financed under the Project will be focused on CFN’s assessments of financial viability, current strategy and business plan, designs and implementation of M&E, and environmental and social standards, external auditing, among other services.

Goods to be financed under this Project will include IT equipment, software, office furniture, etc.

Non-consulting services to be financed under this Project would include surveys, communication campaigns, etc.

