

PROCUREMENT PLAN (Textual Part)

Project information: *Republic of Mali, Mali COVID-19 Emergency Response Project, P-173816*

Project Implementation agency: *REDISSE 3 – Mali*

Date of the Procurement Plan: *4/3/2020*

Period covered by this Procurement Plan: *from 4/6/2020 – to 12/31/2020*

Preamble

In accordance with paragraph 5.9 of the “World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” (July 2016), revised November 2017 and August 2018 (“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 “*Décret N° 2015-604/P-RM du 25 Septembre 2015*” and “*Décret N° 2016-0920 du 6 Décembre 2016*”, such arrangements shall be subject to paragraph 5.4 of the Procurement Regulations and the following conditions:

- a. open advertising of the procurement opportunity at the national level;*
- b. the request for bids/request for proposals document shall require that Bidders/Proposers submitting Bids/Proposals present a signed acceptance at the time of bidding, to be incorporated in any resulting 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;

- c. Procurement Documents include provisions, as agreed with the Bank, intended to adequately mitigate against environmental, social (including sexual exploitation and abuse and gender-based violence), health and safety ("ESHS") risks and impacts;*
- d. publication of contract award information;*
- e. rights for the Bank to review procurement documentation and activities;*
- f. maintenance of records of the Procurement Process.*

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 for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan tables;

Works: is not applicable for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan tables]

Hands-on Expanded Implementation Support (HEIS) and Bank Facilitated Procurement (BFP) as specified under paragraphs 3.10 and 3.11 of the Procurement Regulations is Applicable.

Other Relevant Procurement Information.

To support emergency response, the project will utilize rapid disbursement procedures and simplified procurement processes in accordance with emergency operations norms.

The proposed procurement approach prioritizes fast track emergency procurement for the emergency goods, works and services needed. Key measures to fast track procurement include: (i) use of simple and fast procurement and selection methods fit for an emergency situation including direct contracting, as appropriate, (ii) streamlined competitive procedures with shorter bidding time, (iii) use of framework agreements including existing ones, (iv) procurement from UN Agencies enabled and expedited by Bank procedures and templates, (v) use of procurement agents, (vi) force account, as needed, and (vii) increased thresholds for Requests For Quotations and national procurement among others, as well as minimal or no prior review for emergency procurement.

