

## PROCUREMENT PLAN (Textual Part)

**Project information:** *Ethiopia, Digital Ethiopia (P171034)*

**Project Implementation agency:** *Ministry of Finance and Economic Cooperation, Channel One Project Coordination Directorate*

**Date of the Procurement Plan:** *September 2019*

**Period covered by this Procurement Plan:** *from September 2019 to June 2020*

### 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 ***Section 33(1)(a) from 35-48 of the Proclamation Number 649/2009 of the Ethiopian Federal Government Procurement and Property Administration Proclamation*** such arrangements shall be subject to paragraph 5.4 of the Procurement Regulations and the following conditions.

- *Open Advertising of the procurement opportunity at the national level;*
- *The procurement is open to eligible firms from any country;*
- *The request for bids/Proposal documents shall require that bidders/proposers submitting Bids/Proposal 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 right;*
- *Contracts with an appropriate allocation of responsibilities, risks and liabilities;*

- *Application of Standstill period and Publication of contract award information;*
- *Maintenance of records of the procurement process; and*
- *The Bank has the right to review procurement documentation and activities.*

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.

