GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

**COUNTRY: Republic of Uzbekistan**

**NAME OF PROJECT: Enhancing Access to Quality Early Childhood Education**

**SECTOR: Education**

**Mode of Financing: Instalment Sale**

**Financing No. UZB1018**

The Republic of Uzbekistan has applied forfinancing in the amount of USD 30.0 mln. equivalent from the Islamic Development Bank toward the cost of the Enhancing Access to Quality Early Childhood Education Project, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds to payments for goods, works, related services and consulting services to be procured under this project. *This project will be financed by the Islamic Development Bank.*

The project will include the following components:

Component 1. Enhancing Access to ECCE Education facilities. Private partners under this Component will be selected in accordance with established local commercial practices.

Component 2. Enhancing the Systems and capacity for improving the quality of preschool education. The UN Agency will be engaged for this Component on Single Source Selection (SSS) basis.

Component 3. Support to project management. Suppliers for delivery of equipment, furniture and vehicles under this Component will be selected through the Shopping procedure.

Component 4. Financial Auditing consultant. Consultancy services under this Component will be selected through the Least-Cost Selection (LCS) method among the local short-listed consultancy firms.

Component 5. Technical Review and Monitoring consultant. Consultancy services under this Component will be selected through the Least-Cost Selection (LCS) method among the local short-listed consultancy firms.

Procurement of contracts financed by the Islamic Development Bank will be conducted through the procedures as specified in the Guidelines for Procurement of Goods, Works and related services under Islamic Development Bank Project Financing (April 2019 edition amended from time to time), and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the guidelines. Consulting services will be selected in accordance with the Guidelines for the Procurement of Consultant Services under Islamic Development Bank Project Financing (April 2019 edition amended from time to time).

Request for Expression of Interest (REOI) for the contracts for consultancy services will be announced as they become available, in the official website of the Ministry of Preschool and School Education of the Republic of Uzbekistan and in one newspaper with national circulation in the Republic of Uzbekistan.

Interested eligible firms and individuals who would wish to be considered for the provision of goods, works and consulting services for the above-mentioned project, or those requiring additional information, should contact the Beneficiary at the address below:

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