

Action Plan Progress Report (2014)

Planned #1: Creation of separate module for conducting tenders under the World Bank financed project for civil works/good under NCB procurement method. (Depended on the outcome of above initiative, the system would equally accommodate request from other IFIs to launch the similar module under their projects)

- **Progress:** World Bank initiated the assessment with the purpose to use the Georgian E-Government Procurement(Ge-GP) System for conducting tenders with the use of such system. s. For this purpose World Bank evaluated Ge-GP Identified areas for improvement in order to comply with the World Bank's requirements and standards. As a result State Procurement Agency of Georgia integrated and afterwards launched separate module of electronic procurement for donors'. As of now, different implementing agencies under the projects financed by the World Bank announced around 26 tenders via modified Ge-GP system with aggregate estimated value of around US\$ 23 Mln

Planned #2: Developing system based module for conducting design contest with pre-defined quantifiable evaluation criteria based on formula

Progress: The broadening of public procurement electronic system undermines the integration of electronic module within the unified electronic public procurement system. The major part of the mentioned obligation is fulfilled –legislation (draft Order of the Chairman of SPA) regarding the design contest regulation is already elaborated; have been elaborated technical task for the electronic module and document for business analytics, for now the process of software development is underway. The design contest enables procurer to procure design contest service electronically, all design contests will be announced via the unified electronic system. e-Contest module will promote transparency; participation will be simplified. Also, e-Contest module will enable contest committee's decision to be appealed electronically to the Dispute Resolution Board (DRB) that ensures quick and efficient defense of the suppliers' rights.

Planned #3: Subject to availability of financing from World Bank/IFIs, enhancing operation of competence center through provisions of equipment and conducting training for contracting authorities and suppliers.

- **Progress:** In order to promote awareness and enhance knowledge of contracting authorities and suppliers training center of the State Procurement Agency started operating on 15th of October, 2014. Four sessions for the representatives of different line ministries, municipalities and other contracting authorities is already conducted. The total number of already trained persons is 182. With the financial assistance of World Bank the 45 representatives of construction companies, supplier were trained at the training center from the 4th of May till the 15th of May. The Bank procurement specialist conducted one day training regarding applicability and use of modified Ge-GP system under the projects financed by the World Bank.

Planned #4: Creation of two stage bidding module and gradual development for CPV codes envisaged under the legislation

- **Progress:** Legislation related to “two stage” bidding is already elaborated; “Two stage” bidding module is integrated in the design contest, which will enable contracts to be awarded based on the quality and price criteria.
- Common Procurement Vocabulary Codes (CPV codes) adopted by the legislation were upgraded: CPV codes were revised to ensure the accuracy of translation (CPV codes applied in Georgia are the same as those used in the EU); additional CPV code, namely CPV 999, which was used for those objects that cannot be classified under other usual CPV codes was abolished; this way, the ambiguous CPV code was eliminated.