

What is a Dynamic Purchasing System?

- A Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) is a fully electronic system tendering used by eligible public sector bodies to purchase commonly used goods, works or services.
- It is an 'open market' flexible solution designed to provide buyers with access to a pool of pre-selected suppliers.
- A DPS is usually set up by a central purchasing body (such as OGP) and made available for use by eligible public sector bodies. It can be divided into categories (similar to Lots).
- With a DPS arrangement suppliers can apply to join at any time. Once the DPS is established suppliers who did not initially apply, or who were unsuccessful in their initial application, may apply/reapply to join the DPS.

Benefits of a DPS:

- A DPS Agreement remains open to receive new Members throughout the term of the DPS Agreement;
- A DPS is a flexible solution for SMEs allowing access to new suppliers whom can meet the criteria for entry;
- A supplier may apply for particular categories for which it is suitable;
- A DPS can enable better competition through increased access by more eligible suppliers to bidding opportunities.

The DPS is a two stage process:

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Timeline for Operation

- It is anticipated that The DPS will be in place from April 2021 and once established, the DPS will be for a term of six years.

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