FEBRUARY 26, 2024

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

VIA AFFIRMATIVE VOTE

FINAL DECISION

BOD/AV/2024/02-14 – STRATEGIC PARAMETERS FOR A SYSTEM TRANSFORMATION GRANT TO SAMOA

The Board of Directors:

1. In accordance with BOD/2023/07-01, notes the enabling factors for system transformation in Samoa, including those considered high priority, as set out in Annex 3 of document BOD/AV/2024/02 DOC 07, and the Secretariat's assessment in Annex 2.
2. Notes the Secretariat's assessment set out in Annex 2, of the strategic parameters of the Samoa Partnership Compact in Annex 4.
3. Invites Samoa to submit an application and approves an extension to do so by no later than September 30, 2024 of up to a total of US$2,500,000 for a system transformation grant, in reference to FRC/2021/09-01, and in accordance with the strategic parameters for GPE support as set out in Table 1.

Table 1 Summary of Strategic Parameters and Secretariat Allocation Recommendations (all amounts in US$)		
a.	System Transformation Grant (STG) Indicative Allocation	2,500,000
b.	**High Priority Enabling Factors*** ▪ Data and Evidence ▪ Volume, Equity, and Efficiency of Domestic Public Expenditure on Education	
c.	**Focus Area for GPE Funding:** ▪ Early Year Foundations ▪ Learner Centered Progressions and Transitions ▪ Collaboration and Communities	

* Summarized from the partnership compact. See Annex 4 for full details.