MAY 30, 2023

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

VIA AFFIRMATIVE VOTE

FINAL DECISION

BOD/AV/2023/05-03 - ALLOCATION AND STRATEGIC PARAMETERS FOR A SYSTEM TRANSFORMATION GRANT TO THE GAMBIA

The Board of Directors:

1 Notes the assessment of the Independent Technical Advisory Panel (ITAP) on enabling factors for system transformation in The Gambia, including the one on Data and Evidence considered as high priority, as set out in Annex 3 of BOD/AV/2023/05 DOC 03.

2 Notes the Secretariat's assessment set out in Annex 2 of the strategic parameters of The Gambia Partnership Compact in Annex 4.

3 Invites The Gambia to submit an application, no later than December 31, 2023, of up to US$5,860,000 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 (all amounts in US$)		
a.	**System Transformation Grant Indicative Allocation**	$5,860,000
b.	**Total Allocation Recommended by the Secretariat**	$5,860,000
c.	**High Priority Enabling Factor** Data and Evidence	
d.	**Focus Area and Strategic Parameters for GPE Funding:** *Accessible, equitable and inclusive foundational learning* is organized around four outcomes (i) Improve access to pre-primary to ensure children are ready to learn, (ii) Increased use of foundational learning aligned Teaching and Learning Materials (TLMs), teacher guides, and assessment, (iii) All teachers acquire the right professional skills and competencies to teach foundational literacy and numeracy and have their welfare adequately cared for, and (iv) Improve education sector governance using data and technology to support foundational learning.	