



eGP Vanuatu Update



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PROFILES



Vanuatu Context

82 Islands, 65 inhabited

Land Mass: 4,706 m²

Population: ≈ 260K

Official Languages: Bislama, English, French

Central Tenders Board (CTB)

Centralized. Procures on behalf of whole government

Threshold: ≥ USD \$50,000

≈ 93,000 USD (2016)

POLICIES

Government Contract and Tenders Act

- Provisions for procurement to be done electronically
- Provisions for any electronic system to be monitored

Challenges

- No detailed policy
- No specifics for Software as a Service (SaaS)



IMPLEMENTATION



Software as a Service (SaaS)

- ADB initiative
- Went live in 2016 with InTend (www.in-tend.co.uk)
- Parallel rollout – Online and Manual
- Categories
- First tender published in August 2017

Challenges

- Problems caused by the very short period for the reform (less than one year): lack of training and lack of information both for procuring entities and suppliers
- Working with the IT agency implementing e-GP system

WAY FORWARD



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Development of a detailed e-GP policy is considered highest priority