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## Global Fund Releases New Procurement Guide

The Global Fund has published a new version of its procurement guide. The “Guide to the Global Fund's Policies on Procurement and Supply Management,” at 28 pages, is twice as long as the previous version (issued in 2006).

The new version provides guidance on the development of a procurement and supply management (PSM) plan; on how grant recipients can deal with weaknesses in their PSM systems; on how to implement quality assurance systems; and on the need to comply with relevant national and international laws. The guide also provides information on the PSM cycle.

The Global Fund has also published an updated version of its PSM Plan Template (full name: “A Guide to Writing a Procurement and Supply Management Plan”).

“The Guide to the Global Fund's Policies on Procurement and Supply Management,” is available at [www.theglobalfund.org/en/procurement](http://www.theglobalfund.org/en/procurement). Currently, the guide is posted in English, French and Chinese. The Global Fund says that versions in other languages will be posted in due course. The updated PSM Plan Template is available on the same site in English, French and Russian.

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