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**DIGITAL MALAWI PROGRAM PHASE I:
DIGITAL FOUNDATIONS PROJECT**

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**60500MW
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TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION HUBS - HACKATHON

1. BACKGROUND

The government of Malawi is implementing a new project in the realm of ICT – the Digital Malawi Project. Digital Malawi project is aimed at extending and improving access to critical ICT infrastructure for the public and private sectors; improve ICT governance; improve access to government services; and facilitate provision of e-services thereby enhancing public service delivery. The proposed project has been divided into four components, namely; digital ecosystems, digital connectivity (infrastructure), digital platforms and services (e-Government) and project management.

2. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT IN DIGITAL SKILLS

Under the digital ecosystem component, Digital Malawi Project is empowering the youth through digital skills training, supporting digital innovations, empowering digital entrepreneurs and creating job opportunities for the youth.

Consequently, Digital Malawi Project is developing several stakeholder websites and would like to engage the youth through a hackathon, which will identify the best young developers to be part of a professional team that will develop these websites. The competitive winners will go through master classes provided by the professional website developer.

3. INVITATION TO TECH HUBS AND SELECTION CRITERIA

The PPPC would like to invite qualifying and interested Technology Hubs to submit their profiles and a hackathon concept note outlining the implementation plan and an articulated cost.

The hackathon is to run for 30 days (planning and implementation).

The selection criteria will be; amongst others;

- a) Should be a registered entity and well established with at least 5years experience
- b) Demonstrate having well defined and ongoing digital skills programs
- c) Demonstrate having the required capacity in terms of experience in similar assignments as well as the required resources (computers) to undertake such;
- d) Should have good internet connectivity from a reputable ISP with at least 3MB
- e) Should have enough working space to accommodate a maximum of 40 people

The interested Tech Hubs should clearly mark their application “**TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION HUBS – WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT HACKATHON**” and must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by 2:00pm local time on Tuesday 14th January, 2020.

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