

Procura+ Seminar 2015

The challenges ahead: designing procurement for a low-carbon future



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Barcelona, Spain

PROGRAMME



Programme Day One

Wednesday, 11 November 2015

- 9:00 Arrival and Registration
- 9:30 Opening Remarks
Janet Sanz, Vice President of Environment Area, Barcelona Metropolitan Area and Barcelona City Council
Valentin Junyent, Deputy Director of Natural Spaces and Environment, Barcelona Provincial Council
Mark Hidson, Global Director of ICLEI's Sustainable Procurement Centre, ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability
- 9:50 Welcome to the Procura+ Seminar
Bruce Haase, Facilitator General of the Procura+ Seminar
- 10:00 Opening talk - Solutions for procuring sustainably in Catalonia
Maria del Mar Campanero i Sala, +Sustainable City Council Programme, Barcelona City Council
Elena Lacort, Director of Environmental Services, Barcelona Metropolitan Area
María García i Martínez, Head of Section Environmental Education and Participation, Barcelona Provincial Council
- 10:15 Introduction to the capacity building sessions
Groups and topics for the capacity building sessions are listed by colour on the following page
- 10:30 Capacity building session 1
- 11:30 Coffee break
- 12:00 Capacity building session 2
- 13:00 Lunch
A vegetarian lunch offered at the conference venue.
- 14:00 Capacity building session 3
- 15:15 Coffee break
- 15:45 Presentation of group outcomes
- 16:30 Panel interview
Facilitators of the six capacity building groups
Robert Kaukewitsch, Policy Officer, Green Public Procurement, DG Environment, European Commission (tbc)
Philipp Tepper, Coordinator, Sustainable Economy and Procurement, ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability
- 17:15 Closing remarks
- 17:30 Tour of the Fabra i Coats venue
Approximately 30-minute tour of the former textile factory
- 19:30 Procura+ Dinner at "La Llabor dels Orígens"
Welcome by Janet Sanz, Vice President of the Environment Area, Barcelona Metropolitan Area and Barcelona City Council



Throughout the conference, a team of artists from Creative Connection will be helping to illustrate and reinforce the seminar outcomes with visual minutes.

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Capacity building session groups

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Blue Group – How can a clear SPP Policy be developed so it is useable in practice?

This group will outline how clear targets for an SPP policy could be developed and how to ensure the policy is put into practice by all colleagues and organisations involved.

Key words: political commitment, securing funds, from policy to implementation

Red Group – The costs and benefits of SPP: how to collect and make best use of data?

This group will identify the resources and conditions required for effective data management to help procurement departments develop key performance indicators (KPIs), track their performance (monitoring) and successfully communicate savings to relevant stakeholders.

Key words: setting a baseline, open data, big data, energy and CO2 savings, economic cost savings, life cycle costing

Orange Group – In a time-pressured working environment, what are the quick wins for SPP?

This group will identify the small changes that can have a significant impact when very little time, staff and financial resources are available.

Key words: low-hanging fruits, lighthouse initiatives, incremental change

Green Group – How to deal with verification and sustainability criteria?

This group will try to find ways of improving the verification process of sustainability criteria in tenders and identify approaches for dealing with sectors where few labelled products or services are available.

Key words: labels, verification, market availability

Purple Group – How to embed SPP into an organisation so that it becomes normal practice?

This group will look into approaches for engaging colleagues and other stakeholders to implement existing SPP strategies and how to contribute to the professionalisation of SPP at the organisational level. The group will also identify pathways for ensuring sustainability criteria are included in each issued tender.

Key words: intra-departmental communication, capacity building, decentralised vs. centralised procurement, working groups, mainstreaming

Yellow Group – How to engage the market to find the most up-to-date sustainable solutions?

This group will look into approaches to engage the market (sounding, consultation, etc.) which ensure that it is done effectively, stimulates the local economy by encouraging SMEs to bid for tenders, and yields maximum benefit for all players (purchasers and potential suppliers).

Key words: market intelligence, time pressure, economy, empowerment of SMEs, networking, innovation

Thursday, 12 November 2015

Procura+ Campaign Participants & National Partners' Meeting Agenda

9:00 Registration and coffee

Bruce Haase, Moderator, Speaking Sustainably

9:30 Welcome

Pekka Sauri, Deputy Mayor, City of Helsinki, Chair of the Procura+ Campaign (tbc)

Mark Hidson, Global Director, ICLEI's Sustainable Procurement Centre, ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability

9:45 Procura+ Marketplace

"Elevator Pitches", facilitated matchmaking and collaboration among Procura+ participants, national partners and interested stakeholders.

10:30 Exchange Session - hot topic tables

A discussion between small groups of Participants & National Partners based on guiding questions. Exchanging ideas on barriers, examples, mechanisms and necessary support to progress in this area that will be partially enriched by the outcomes of the 2015 Procura+ seminar the day before.

Topics include:

- Food & catering: how to achieve tangible sustainability impact? (hosted by Maria Pagel Fray, City of Copenhagen - tbc)
- The Flanders SPP monitoring scheme: lessons learned and transferability? (hosted by Els Verwimp, Flemish Environment, Nature and Energy Department - tbc)
- The Circular Economy and SPP – a win-win-scenario? (hosted by Cuno van Geet, RWS - tbc)
- Regional Networking for SPP (hosted by Simon Clement, ICLEI)
- Life Cycle Costing LCC in practice - tbc

11:30 Break

12:00 Reporting back from each roundtable and exchanging further ideas

12:15 Procura+ Campaign Update

Philipp Tepper, Procura+ Campaign Manager, ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability

12:30 Procura+: moving ahead

Discussion

13:20 Closing remarks

Mark Hidson, Global Director, ICLEI's Sustainable Procurement Centre, ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability

13:30 Closing Lunch

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