

Procura+ Seminar 2009

Tackling Climate Change through
Sustainable Procurement



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PROGRAMME



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Procura+
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Campaign



ICLEI
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Thursday, 22 October 2009

8:30 Arrival and Registration

9:00 **Introduction and setting the scene**

Chair and Welcome: Mark Hidson, Director - Sustainable Procurement, ICLEI European Secretariat

Robert Neukomm, Head of the Department for Environment and Health, City of Zürich, Switzerland

Guðmundur B. Friðriksson, Head of Office, Department of Environment and Transport, City of Reykjavik, Iceland

9:30 **Shaping climate protection policies to include sustainable procurement**

Sustainable procurement – the EUs agenda

Heide Rühle, Member of the European Parliament, Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance

Getting sustainable procurement on the climate agenda in Helsinki

Pekka Sauri, Deputy Mayor, City of Helsinki, Finland

Responsible procurement for a green London

Collan Murray, Head of Procurement (Interim) Central Responsible Procurement Team, Greater London Authority Group, United Kingdom

Questions

10:30 Coffee break

11:00 **Parallel break-out sessions A**

Tools for embedding climate concerns into purchasing actions (A1)

Making the consideration of CO₂ emissions systematic in procurement

*See separate Session Description for more information
Room: Plenary room (Kursaal)*

Harmonising sustainable procurement criteria (A2)

Using the full potential of public procurement through standardised sustainability criteria - what opportunities exist for harmonising sustainability criteria for public procurement in Europe?

*See separate Session Description for more information
Room: Break-out Room (S61)*

12:30 Lunch break



14:00 Parallel break-out sessions B

Achieving sustainability in construction procurement (B1)

Examining how procurement can contribute to the up-take of sustainable construction amongst public authorities.

*See separate Session Description for more information
Room: Plenary room (Kursaal)*

Identifying & communicating your needs in terms of performance & function (B2)

Drawing up technical specifications to meet high energy-efficiency standards or CO₂ emission performance as well as fostering the development of innovative technical solutions.

*See separate Session Description for more information
Room: Break-out Room (SG1)*

15:30 Coffee break

16:00 Moving forward - Opportunities for more action through sustainable procurement

Chair: Pekka Sauri, Deputy Mayor, City of Helsinki, Finland

What can we do collectively and as individuals to drive this agenda forward and move towards climate neutral procurement?

Reactions from participants – “open mic” session

Sustainable procurement as a strategy to reach climate commitments – experiences from The Netherlands

Jitske Wildschut, Policy Advisor, Ministry of Housing, Spatial Planning and Environment, The Netherlands

Top ten highly energy efficient products – An example of harmonised European criteria

Eric Bush, Euro Top Ten

LG Action - Communities with the power to change

Carsten Rothballer, Climate Policy Officer, ICLEI European Secretariat

Closing remarks

17:15 End of Seminar

19:00 Apéro (Appetisers, Aperitif) at Restaurant Schipfe 16 (address is Schipfe 16)

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Dinner at place of your choice (no programme)



Friday, 23 October 2009

Procura+ Participants Meeting Agenda

Chair: Pekka Sauri, Deputy Mayor, City of Helsinki, Finland

- 8:45 – 9:00 Introduction to the Procura+ Sustainable Procurement Campaign (for newcomers - optional)
Philipp Tepper, Procura+ Campaign Manager, ICLEI European Secretariat
- 9:00 – 9:10 **Welcome from the Procura+ Campaign Chair**
Pekka Sauri, Deputy Mayor, City of Helsinki, Finland
- 9:10 – 9:25 **Introductory round (tour de table)**
- 9:25 – 10:05 **Procura+ Campaign update**
Philipp Tepper, Procura+ Campaign Manager, ICLEI European Secretariat
- 10:05 – 10:45 **SPP Exchange**
Participants exchange experiences on SPP activities and discuss and explore plans for the future, including collaboration with national partners.
- 10:45 – 11:05 Networking coffee break
- 11:05 – 11:35 **SPP Exchange (continued..)**
- 11:35 – 12:35 **SPP Workshops**
This session offers participants the opportunity to discuss in small working groups (run in parallel) the challenges and opportunities of including green and social criteria into tenders. Participants have the choice of attending one of the following workshops:
1. Developing and improving an SPP Policy. *Mark Hidson, Director - Sustainable Procurement, ICLEI*
 2. Including green and social criteria into cleaning services. *Simone Ricotta, ARPAT Toscana, Italy*
 3. Social criteria in public tendering. *Amalia Ochoa, Project Officer, ICLEI*
 4. Driving sustainable innovation through early market engagement. *Philipp Tepper, Procura+ Campaign Manager, ICLEI*
- 12:35 – 13:00 **Upcoming opportunities**
Philipp Tepper, Procura+ Campaign Manager, ICLEI European Secretariat
- 13:00 – 14:15 Lunch break
- 14:15 – 15:15 **Socially responsible public procurement update**
This session will include an update on the development of the EU Handbook on Social Considerations in Public Procurement and the experiences from The Netherlands on the same topic.
Ric Hettinga, Senior Policy Coordinator, Ministry of Housing, Spatial Planning and the Environment, The Netherlands,
Mark Hidson, Director - Sustainable Procurement, ICLEI
Questions and discussion
- 15:15 – 15:30 Coffee break
- 15:30 – 17:00 **EUROCITIES Responsible Procurement Working Group Meeting**
Open meeting

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