

ERRIN Briefing on Green Public Procurement

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By spending around 16% of the European Union's gross domestic product, public authorities can potentially influence the market supply side towards 'greener' goods and services. But only a small minority of public organisations systematically considers environmental criteria when selecting suppliers, service providers and contractors. A lack of awareness about the role that Green Public Procurement (GPP) can play and a lack of information on the possibility to include environmental requirements into tendering procedures are some of the barriers of a widespread use of GPP.

This ERRIN Briefing, in cooperation with SDI Europe will present "GPPinfoNET", the Green Public Procurement Information Network, and inform ERRIN members about the role of GPP in regional economic development and innovation policies.

Participants will learn about:

- The role of GPP within the European strategy for sustainable consumption and production
- How GPP can stimulate regional innovation and competitiveness
- The contribution of regional networks to the diffusion of GPP

AGENDA:

14.30 – Alenka Burja (European Commission - DG Environment and Industry)

15.00 – Livia Mazzà (SDI Group – Ecosistemi)

15.30 - Daniela Minetti (Regione Liguria - Dipartimento Ambiente)

16.00 – Debate

Some references:

[EC - Green Public Procurement](#)

[GPPnet Network website](#)

[International Forum of Green Procurement](#)