



Mainstreaming a Profession: the Professionalisation of Public Procurement

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The Technical Support Instrument (TSI)

- Provides **tailor-made technical expertise** to EU Member States to **design and implement reforms**
- Is **demand driven** and **does not require any co-financing** from Member States
- **€ 864 million of budget** for the period 2021-2027
- TSI covers a **wide range of reform areas**, incl.

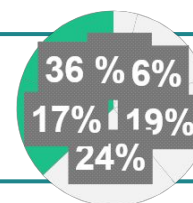


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inciple in public funding)

urement (incl. **green procurement**).

Among 225 TSI requests approved in 2022, 36% contribute to **green transition**



TSI practical experience on reform projects

- Since 2017 the Commission has provided technical support to **all 27 Member States** with **more than 1,400 projects** in a broad range of policy areas.
- TSI plays an important role in supporting EU Member States in **implementing the commitments** of the **EU Green Deal**.



- TSI experience in the area of **public procurement** has grown bigger every year. Projects have been (or are being) carried out in **several Member States**, covering a **large part of the EU**, from Ireland, through Lithuania, Slovenia, Croatia and Hungary to Malta.
- The expertise comes **recognised experts** in the area of the support needs. It can also come from **other Member States that share their experience** of implementing **similar reforms**.

TSI 2023 flagship on public procurement – spill-over benefits through sharing

- Flagship on **professionalisation of public procurement** aims to reinforce capacities in Member States to **run public procurement procedures effectively**, including in relation to investments provided by the RRP.
- This will **enhance the quality of public spending** through increased use of **strategic procurement methodologies**, including **green procurement**.



- Flagship is expected to **have spill-over benefits** to Member States that might not express an interest in the initiative, notably **through sharing of lessons learnt and key deliverables in EU wide context**.
- As an example, in the framework of an ongoing TSI project on **promoting green procurement in Hungary**, an international conference on **green procurement and life cycle costing** has been organised that attracted more than 500 participants from all over the EU.

Examples of projects on public procurement

Public Procurement Competency Framework (MT)

- Office of the Prime Minister
- Finance and Procurement Reform Unit
- Develop a Public Procurement competence framework including trainings and piloting

Professionalisation of public procurement personal

- fostering strategic methodologies, integrity and transparency
- Romania, France, Greece and Estonia

Green public procurement (FR)

- Improved capacity of procurement officials in the implementation of strategic procurement.
- Methodologies and tools to introduce **green considerations in public procurement**, especially for fighting against climate change, life cycle costing, energy sobriety, and security of supply.
- 2023 - 2025

Promoting green public procurement in HU, focusing on life-cycle costing (LCC)

- The main objective is to support the Hungarian Government in **developing and promoting the use of green public procurement criteria**, and especially of life-cycle costing (LCC) tools.
- The support includes the development of **product-specific LCC tools**, which are widely accessible and easy to use, as well as promoting the incorporation of environmental criteria into public procurement.
- Current status - selection of the product categories for the tools to be developed, with focus on products for which **the biggest savings** can be achieved both in terms of **cost and environmental impact**).



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Thank you for your attention