



International Conference

Next Generation Procurement

Rome, September 12-13, 2024
CASD - Palazzo Salviati, Piazza della Rovere, 83, 00165 Roma

Europe has been at the cusp of a digital procurement transformation with better data and digital systems at its core. E-forms, the European Public Procurement Data Space, and national reforms have led to some EU-wide progress and some strong country-level results. Yet, this progress towards leveraging the new systems and information for better decision-making has been uneven and still faces an uphill battle. This means governments, companies, and EU citizens can't yet leverage procurement to promote greater economic development, social inclusion and environmental sustainability in Europe. Procurement in Europe needs a concerted rethink effort to respond to current and next-generation challenges.

This Conference will bring together 100 leaders from governments, EU institutions, civil society, academia and other stakeholders to discuss how to advance opportunities and to overcome challenges in making procurement in the EU more results-data-and impact-driven. It will focus on the crucial role of public procurement as a means of implementing national and European public policies, contributing to economic and social development and promoting the well-being of citizens.

Thoughtleaders and practitioners will explore some of the most pressing questions that we are facing in European policymaking:

- Where are we collectively in building a more data-driven, sustainable and inclusive procurement system in Europe? What are the actual opportunities and real challenges ahead of us?
- Will e-forms and the European Public Procurement Data Space lead to digital transformation or will it be an administrative burden with little results?
- Where can AI be helpful in procurement? How can the governments buy or build AI technologies that serve the public good?
- Can procurement promote environmental sustainability and social inclusions without adding inadequate regulations and costs?



Objectives

Through panels, lightning talks, conversations and workshops, the Conference will explore the opportunities and challenges for:

- Promoting economic development through the use of new technologies in public procurement;
- Building more data-driven, sustainable and inclusive procurement systems in Europe;
- Advancing digitization and emerging technologies for better decision- in procurement;
- Leveraging procurement to address some of our urgent societal challenges such as polarisation, climate change and economic inequality.

11 September

19:15 Social Event @ Colosseum

12 September 2024

8:00-9:00 Registration

9:00-13:00 Main stage

9:00 Opening remarks

- Speakers:
 - Raffaele Fitto, Minister for European Affairs, Cohesion Policies and the RRF, Italy
 - Giuseppe Busia, President, ANAC, Italy
 - Jonaid Myzyri, Chair, Public Procurement Commission, Albania
 - Kathrin Frauscher, Deputy Executive Director, Open Contracting Partnership



10:15 Opening panel: How can public procurement improve the lives of Europeans?

- Speakers:
 - Constantine Palicarsky, UNODC
 - Erika Bozzay, OECD
 - Gustavo Piga, University of Rome Tor Vergata
 - Annamaria La Chimia, University of Nottingham
 - *Moderator: Gavin Hayman, OCP*

11:15 Lightning talk 1: Cutting through the AI hype

- Speaker:
 - Andre Petheram, Oxford Insights

11:30 Coffee break

12:00 Lightning talk 2: Procurement is democracy in action

- Speaker
 - Elena Calistru, Funky Citizens

12:15 Fireside chat: How to make EU procurement really a data-driven digital service

- Speakers:
 - Warren Smith, former Director for the Global Digital Marketplace Programme, UK Government Digital Service
 - Anna Corrado, Italian Administrative Judge
 - *Moderator: Kathrin Frauscher, OCP*

12:45 Closing Panel Day 1: Sustainable procurement - It is not just about green criteria!

- Speakers:
 - Laura Valli, ANAC
 - Przemyslaw Grosfeld, Government of Poland
 - Kestutis Kazulis, Public Procurement Office Lithuania
 - Maria Arnal Canudo, World Bank
 - *Moderator: Gabriella Racca, University of Turin*

13:45 Lunch

14:45 Networking Session



15:30 - 16:45 Parallel Sessions

15:30 Breakout groups: Emerging technologies

Breakout 1	Breakout 2
Can we or should we leverage procurement to regulate AI?	Where will AI be useful for public procurement?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sabine Gerdon, Amazon Web Services • Albert Sanchez, Bristol University (virtual) • Andre Petheram, Oxford Insights • <i>Moderator: Lorenzo Segato, ReAct</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ian Makgill, Open Opportunities • Samuel Repfennig, Tendium • Volodymyr Tarnay, Open Contracting Partnership • <i>Moderator: Emma O'Connell, European Institute of Public Administration</i>

16:45 End

17:00 Social event

19:30 Conference Dinner at Casa dei Cavalieri di Rodi 

13 September 2024

8:00 - 9:00 Registration

8:00 Doors open

9:00 Opening

9:00 - 11:00 Main Stage

9:15 Lightning talk: The state of procurement in the EU

- Speaker:
 - Helga Berger, Member of the European Court of Auditors



9:30 Panel: How to unlock social value in procurement

- Speakers:
 - Luca Forteleoni, ANAC
 - Rolf Valenteijn, Government of the Netherlands
 - Livija Sepetyte, Ignitis Group
 - *Moderator: Anna Maria La Chimia, Nottingham University*

10:30 Closing panel: What's next for the public procurement community in Europe?

- Speakers:
 - Giuseppe Busia, President of ANAC
 - Ivo Locatelli, European Commission - DG GROW
 - Isabel Da Rosa, IMPIC
 - Jonaid Myzyri, Chair, Public Procurement Commission of Albania
 - *Moderator: Karolis Granickas, OCP*

11:30 Coffee break ☕

12:00 - 13:00 Parallel Sessions

12:00 Breakout groups: The power of data

Breakout 1	Breakout 2
Getting data architecture right	Collaborative approaches to procurement monitoring
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Luca Martinelli, Publications Office • Trexyl Chua Miranda, UNOPS (online) • Felix Zimmermann, Ministry of Interior representative, Germany • Hans Minkes, TenderNed Netherlands • <i>Moderator: Eliza Niewiadomska, EBRD</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Filippo Romano, ANAC • Enrico Fusco, Invitalia • Elisa Orlando, Libera • Elena Calistru, Funky Citizens • <i>Moderator: Mara Mendes, Independent consultant</i>



13:00 Lunch 🍴

14:00 - 16:30 Parallel Sessions

14:00-15:15 Breakout groups: Procurement data to fight corruption

Breakout 1	Breakout 2
Promoting Anti-Corruption through Procurement Data	Better data, better public trust
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tunde Tatrai, Corvinus University of Budapest • Luigi Reggi, University of Bergamo, Monithon • Vitaliy Trenkenchu, Datanomix • <i>Moderator: Antonio Greco, TI-S</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reida Kashta, PPA Albania • Audinga Baltrunaite, Bank of Italy • Bruno Gonzales, Oficina Antifrau de Catalunya • Sergii But, Prozorro Sale • <i>Moderator: Camila Salazar, OCP</i>

15:30-16:45 Breakout groups: Procurement policies to fight corruption

Breakout 1	Breakout 2
Policy approaches to fighting corruption	Kickstarting anti-corruption reforms with procurement review bodies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alina Mungiu, ERCAS • Michela Gnaldi, University of Perugia • Mirela Bogdani, High Council of Prosecution Albania • Ferenc Pál Biró, Hungarian Integrity Authority (virtual) • <i>Moderator: Orjana Ibrahim, World Bank</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jonaid Myzyri, Public Procurement Commission of Albania • Olga Nechytailo, Antimonopoly Committee, Ukraine • Serdar Gunbay, Public Procurement Office Turkiye • Eliza Niewiadomska, EBRD • <i>Moderator: Volodymyr Tarnay, OCP</i>

17:00 End of the Conference