

**NCP-Academy Basic Training on PCP/PPI
“Understanding Innovation Procurement in HORIZON 2020”
12th of May 2015, Vienna**

Background and Aim

Pre-commercial procurement (PCP) and Public Procurement of Innovative Solutions (PPI) are new instruments under HORIZON 2020. In 2014 the European Commission launched 3 calls for PCP Cofund Actions in the area of Information and Communication Technologies and various calls for Coordination and Support Actions (CSAs) to support networking of public procurers. Results show that the overall participation in these calls has been rather limited. Currently further 6 PCP Cofund Actions, 6 PPIs and 4 CSAs are open or forthcoming. The planning for the work-programme 2016/2017 is ongoing. NCPs are in charge of promoting and advising these instruments, thus a good knowledge base on the concept of PCP/PPI and on the target group of procurers is crucial for the successful NCP service provision.

For this reason the NCP-Academy organises a 1-day basic training on PCP/PPI aiming at:

- increasing the know-ledge base on PCP/PPI among NCPs
- getting a clearer picture of good practises for the successful implementation of PCP/PPI and useful NCP services in this context.

Participants will

- get a deep insight into the instruments of PCP/PPI including knowledge about the political background, the design of the PCP/PPI instruments, the process of innovation procurement, the funding, some legal aspects and the context of the European procurement guidelines.
- discuss different players/target groups of PCP/PPI and ways of approaching and advising them

Target group

NCPs wanting to increase their knowledge on PCP/PPI and understand these instruments properly

The number of participants is limited up to 25-30 persons

Programme

9.30 am – 4.30 pm

- Welcome
- Why innovation procurement? Horizon 2020 and experiences of the ERAC Task Force Innovation Procurement
- Understanding the PCP/PPI scheme of Horizon 2020 including closer inspection of players involved
- How to motivate procurers: Questions and answers with different actors in PCP/PPI
- Characteristics of project planning, proposal writing, evaluation and implementation of PCP/PPI projects at a glance
- The legal frame of PCP/PPI in the light of the European procurement guideline (including the interplay between national and European procurement guidelines)
- Summary, feedback and end of training

Methods

Presentations, show-cases, group-works, interactive exercises

Moderator

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Venue

House of Research, FFG - Austrian Research Promotion Agency,
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