#### **UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT**



# High-level Training Workshop on the Implementation of Green Public Procurement and Eco-labelling

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#### The United Nations Environment

- Monitors the state of the world environment
- Identifies solutions and supports their implementation
  - international agreements (MEAs)
  - voluntary initiatives
  - innovating approaches in specific domains (water, housing, energy, etc...)
- Coordinates environmental conventions
- Develops policy instruments















### The United Nations Environment's **Priority areas**

- Climate change
- Disasters and conflict
- Ecosystems management
- Environmental governance
- Harmful substances and hazardous waste
- Resource efficiency sustainable consumption and production













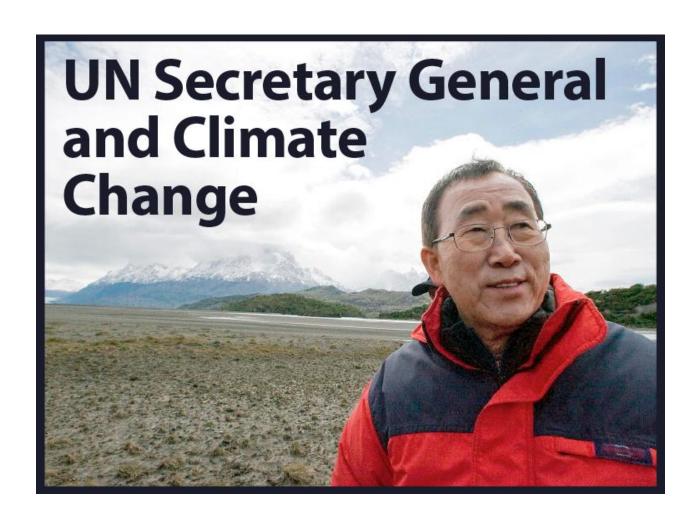








### The United Nations Climate Neutral Strategy



#### Sustainable UN



**SUN** is an initiative of UN Environment launched in 2008 to assist UN to reform towards **climate neutrality and environmental management...** 

...with tools, methodologies and assistance services to enable the practical implementation of activities aiming at reducing GHG emissions and at improving organisations' overall sustainability.

## Sustainable Consumption and Production in UN



Overall goal: Climate Neutral and more sustainable UN

**Normative Mandates :** General Assembly Resolutions (Quadriennal Comprehensive Policy Review) and Chief Executives Board (CEB) via Environment Management Group (EMG)

Scope: facilities and operations

Partners/ Focal points: mostly Facility or Corporate Support Services Managers

## UN commitments for climate neutrality

- 2007 Climate neutral strategy
- 2013 Systematic approaches /Environment Management System commitment and expansion to wider impacts
- 2015 Climate neutrality by 2020

#### Substance:

- A) **Measure** 4 environmental indicators & report (GHG emissions, waste management, water consumption and environmental capacity building for UN staff/awareness)
- B) **REDUCE** (on the 4 indicators) to the extent possible
- C) Offset GHG emissions through CERs

HOW: include Environmental sustainability in programming of facilities and operations (this includes through **sustainable procurement**)

#### Areas of work

- Measuring impacts (GHG; Waste; water; Awareness)
- Buildings
- Sustainable events
- Greening the Blue Campaign and communications
- Sustainable procurement
- Waste management
- Peer reviews

#### UN facilities and operations: impacts

#### GHG emissions:

- Methodology: GHG protocol
- 66 entities reporting GHG emissions in 2016
- About 250,000 personnel
- About 2 million tons 7,5t/cap

#### •WASTE:

- Own methodology based on intl best practices
- 44 reporting entities
- About 100,000 personnel
- 550/Kg /cap (best practice in an office is 200 kg/cap)

#### UN facilities and operations: emissions reduction

- 29 entities have a systematic approach: EMS, emissions reduction/ sustainability/ environmental strategy.
- Main topics covered : energy efficiency, waste, air travel and staff awareness.
- Procurement (next slide)
- Main challenges: senior support (initially); funds; competition with other priorities; lack of awareness of business case.

#### **UN Procurement**

- The overall procurement volume of UN Agencies during 2015 reached US \$17 billion
- Procurement function also gives a signal of what is important for the organisation such as sustainable development and innovation.

[1] 'The Annual Statistical Report' 2013

#### WHY Sustainable Procurement in the UN system?

Internal and external push to include sustainable development considerations in the way UN organisations manage their business:

- CEB decisions 2007 (climate neutrality) and 2013 (Environment Management Systems)
- Member states requests to do so (Rio +20 outcome document and General assembly, SDGs)
- Expectations to cut budgets and use resources more efficiently
- Reputational risks associated with UN operations

## Partnership with UNOPS, ILO and ITCILO

- Sustainable procurement
  - UN SP Guide
  - Product Sheets
  - Capacity building
  - Online SP training
  - Eco-labels guide
  - Joint purchase of climate offsets
  - Redrafting UN Procurement manual SP chapter

#### Sustainable Procurement gaining ground within the UN system

- As a response, the UN among other actions is embarking more and more on sustainable procurement.
- The 2015 UN Annual Statistical Report on procurement indicates that close to 30 UN agencies implement sustainable procurement practices as part of a policy or as best practices.
- Information on SP within the UN with demonstrated case-studies, developed tools and guidance material can be found on "GreeningtheBlue" website.







#### Challenges / Barriers to more sustainability in UN procurement

#### Managerial challenges (being overcome now)

- Insufficient leadership and commitment to SP
- Still some difficulties to integrate sustainability into the organisation
- Need for cultural shift amongst requisitioners and procurers

#### **Economic challenges**

- Short-term, cost focus
- No direct or immediate benefits to the organisation bearing the costs
- Fear of a barrier to developing country suppliers participation; SP considered as a trade barrier
- Concerns about supply availability

#### Why CERs?

• Under the UN Climate Neutral Strategy: "the UN's choice of offsets [...] should meet the levels defined under the Kyoto mechanisms at the very least."



- criteria for CEB's choice:
  - Additionality (net reduction)
  - verification and certification
  - transparency
  - permanency of emissions reductions
  - sustainable development benefits
  - consistency with inter-governmentally accepted standards
  - avoiding conflict of interests through the organization's own projects

#### Information sources

http://www.greeningtheblue.org/resources/procurement

https://www.ungm.org/Shared/KnowledgeCenter/Pages/PT\_SUST

#### **Outline**

- 10-Year Framework of Programmes
- SPP and CI SCP Programme
- Other UN Environement SPP Activities

















#### PROGRAMME OBJECTIVES

**PROJECTS** 

**SCOPE** 

## UNEP

**Objective 1:** 

Provide policy support and technical assistance to countries for the design and implementation of SPP/Ecolabelling policies

SPP-EL

National and regional

EaP-GREEN

**National** 

ASEAN+3 GPP

Regional













**Objective 2:** 

Promote worldwide implementation of SPP through increased cooperation between key stakeholders and a better understanding of its potential benefits and impacts.

10YFP SPP Programme

Global

























## The 10YFP Sustainable Public Procurement Programme



#### Introduction

- Why was the 10-year Framework of Programmes created?
- The Rio+20 Conference reaffirmed that Sustainable Consumption and Production is a cornerstone of sustainable development.
- Vision of the 10YFP
- "Fundamental changes in the way societies produce and consume are indispensable for achieving global sustainable development. All countries should promote sustainable consumption and production patterns (...) all major groups should play an active role in changing unsustainable consumption and production patterns"























- The 10YFP was adopted at the Rio+20
   Conference. It is a global framework of action to enhance international cooperation to accelerate the shift towards SCP patterns in both developed and developing countries.
- It supports capacity building and provides
   technical and financial assistance to developing
   countries for this shift.













#### The 6 programmes of the 10YFP:

- Consumer information
- Sustainable lifestyles and education
- Sustainable public procurement
- Sustainable buildings and construction
- Sustainable tourism, including ecotourism
- Sustainable food systems

















## SUSTAINABLE GEALS DEVELOPMENT GEALS



#### **SDG 12**

- Goal 12: Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns
- Target 12.7:Promote public procurement practices that are sustainable in accordance with national policies and priorities
- Indicator 12.7.1: Number of countries implementing sustainable public procurement policies and action plans













### From the Marrakech Task Force to the 10YFP SPP

Launch of the Swiss-led Marrakech Task Force on SPP



The Sustainable Public Procurement Initiative (SPPI) officially becomes the 10YFP SPP Programme





SDGs and Post-2015

New York,

1 April 2014







Rio +20, 18 June 2012



















### Official Launch of the 10YFP SPP Programme

The Sustainable Public Procurement Initiative (SPPI) officially became the 10YFP SPP Programme on **April 1st 2014** at an event in New York.























#### **SPP Programme**



#### **Objectives**

- Build the case for SPP:
  - improve knowledge on SPP and its effectiveness as a tool to promote greener economies and sustainable development
- 2. Support the implementation of SPP on the ground:
  - Better access to capacity building resources and improved coordination between SPP stakeholders.



















#### The vision of the 10YFP SPP programme

 "Our vision is a world in which all aspects of sustainability are embedded in public procurement and global supply chains, with full support of governments worldwide."









































































- 2. Eco Mark Office of Japan Environment Association
- 3. Environmental Development Center of Ministry of Environmental Protection (EDC)
- Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) 4.
- Fundación Centro de Gestión Tecnológica e Informática 5. Industrial (CEGESTI)
- 6. ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability (co-lead)
- 7. **Indian Railways**
- 8. Institut des Finances Basil Fuleihan-Lebanon
- 9. International Green Purchasing Network (IGPN)
- 10. International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD)
- 11. ITC-ILO (Int. Training Center of the ILO)
- Korea Environmental Industry & Technology Institute (co-12. lead)
- Mauritius Procurement Policy Office
- Ministry of Infrastructure and the Environment 14.
- 15. National Agency for Public Procurement
- NCPC Colombia (National Center for Cleaner Production and Environmental Technologies/CNPMLTA)
- Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity
  - **SKL Kommentus**
- Sustainable Purchasing Leadership Council (SPLC)
- Swiss Federal Office for the Environment (FOEN)
- United Nations Environment, UNEP (lead)
- United States Environmental Protection Agency







Chile

Japan

Costa Rica

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Korea

Mauritius

Sweden

Colombia Global

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Netherlands

India





























**CO-LEADS** 





Regional distribution of the SPP **Western European Programme Partners** and others (WEOG): 43

**GOV: 15 IGO: 4 NGO: 8 BUS: 4** FOUND: 1 **EXP: 5 CONS: 5** ACAD: 1

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**101** AS OF DECEMBER 2016

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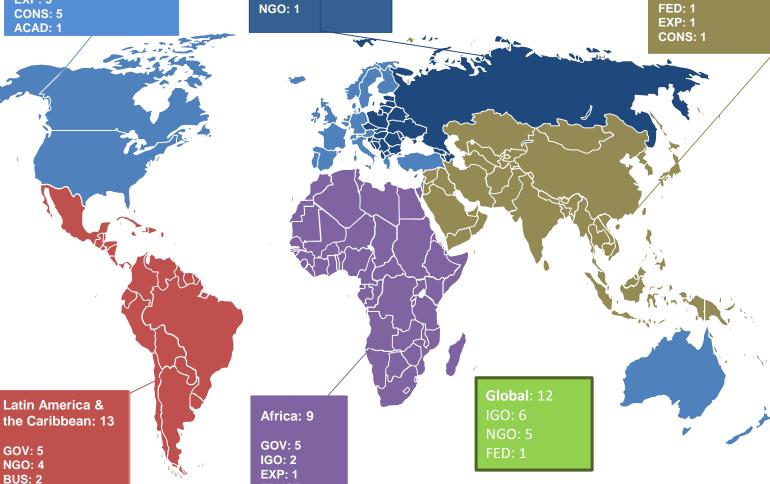












TRUST: 1

#### **New Partners**

- 1. National Agency for Public Procurement, Sweden
- 2. European Commission DG Environment
- 3. University of Torino
- 4. Edge Environment
- Vietnam Environment Administration, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment
- 6. The European Environment Bureau
- 7. Railsponsible to join







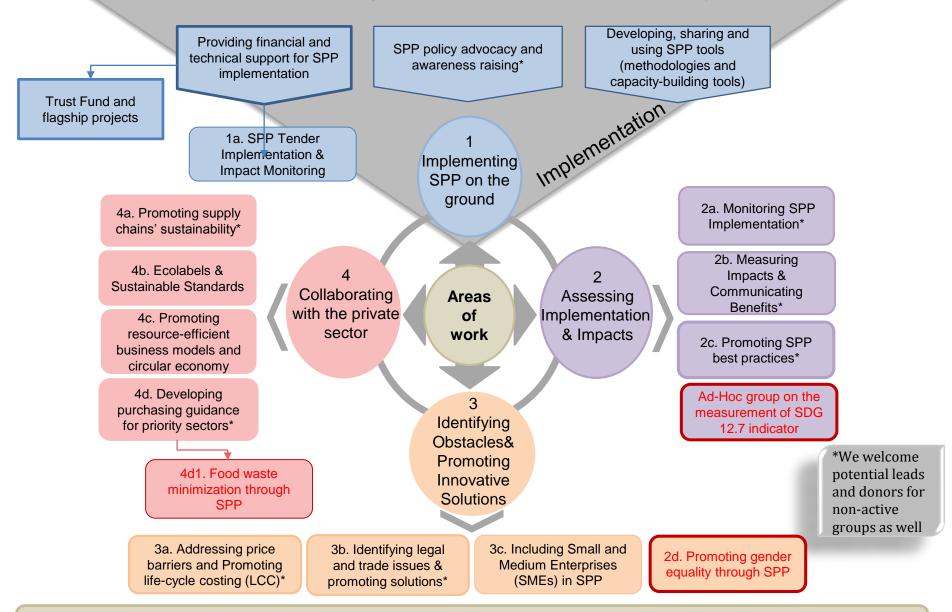








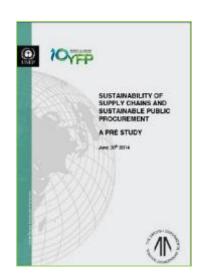
#### Revised 10YFP SPP Programme biennial work plan 2016-2017



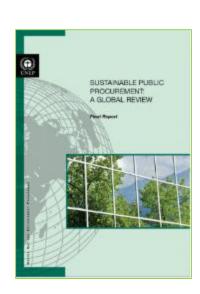
Knowledge management, outreach and communication, cross-cutting research activities:
Global Review on SPP, Global SCP Clearinghouse, websites and social networks, webinars, SPP Academic Network



Using PSS to enhance SPP – technical report, 2015



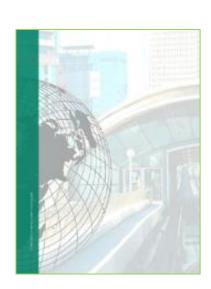
Pre-study on the sustainability of supply chains, 2014



SPP: A Global review 2013



SPP Principles, 2015



 Measuring & communicating benefits of SPP

















### WG3c, Including Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) in SPP

- Working group lead: CEGESTI
- Focus on the promotion of Small and Medium size Enterprises (SMEs) on Green Public Procurement (GPP). The objectives of this Working Group are to:
  - 1) Identify the **barriers** that SMEs face in public procurement, in particular when environmental benefits are sought, in order to define recommendations on the subject;
  - 2) Collect **case studies** on the policies/programmes that have facilitated the involvement of SMEs in GPP, focusing on environmental benefits (including SMEs environmental performance improvement) and show the best practices across them;
  - 3) Share **knowledge and recommendations** of the project with the community of SPP practitioners and policy makers through an adequate dissemination plan.









### WG3c, Including Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) in SPP

- Status of activities:
  - > Activity 1: Desk Review finalized
  - Activity 2: Preparation of a report on best practices—finalized
  - Activity 3: Draft and Final report finalized
  - Activity 4: Dissemination of the final report- pending









#### WG 4a, Greening supply chains

**Lead:** Swedish Environmental Agency

The Swedish Environmental Protection Agency has just completed a study on the **Procurement of pharmaceuticals in an environmental context and its inclusion into the Corporate Social Responsibility** Compass.

The pharmaceutical industry was chosen as the sector to review because of its complexity. In order to identify different types of obstacles for procurers in their daily work the supply chain and the entire life cycle of a product must be considered.

Another main objective with this project is to suggest amendments to the CSR Compass based on the experiences gained from the pharmaceutical industry.

The project was carried out by IVL (Swedish Environmental Research Institute) on commission of the Swedish Environmental Protection Agency.

The study should be publicly released in the coming weeks.









"Procurement of pharmaceuticals in an environmental context and its inclusion into the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Compass."

#### Content

PREFACE SUMMARY

- 1.INTRODUCTION
- 2.BACKGROUND
- 3.PROJECT OUTLINE
- 4.THE PHARMACEUTICAL SECTOR AND ITS DIFFERENT TYPES OF PRODUCTS AND COMPETITION ON THE MARKET 5.DIFFERENT TYPES OF PROCUREMENT CRITERIA
- 5.1. Minimum and optional requirements
- 5.2. Procurement criteria as practiced in Sweden according to EU Directives
- 6. INTRODUCTION TO THE CSR COMPASS
- 6.1. The different planning stages



SWEDISH ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### "Procurement of pharmaceuticals in an environmental context and its inclusion into the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Compass."

#### 7. PROCUREMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS IN SWEDEN 8.THE LIFE CYCLE OF PHARMACEUTICALS



- 8.1. Research and development (by Original-producing companies)
- 8.2. Registration and approval by the Swedish Medical Agency
- 8.2.1. Manufacturing and packing (by Original and Generic Pharmaceutical producers, and Parallel-importing Pharmaceutical companies)
- 8.3. Prescriptions by physicians, and sales (by Pharmacies and retailers)
- 8.4. Procurement and follow-up activities (by Procurement Authorities)
- 8.5. Use (by Humans)
- 8.6. Discharge of residual Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (API) to water
- 8.7. Waste disposal (by recycling companies)
- 8.8. Waste disposal (by Pharmacies)

Content (cont'd)

"Procurement of pharmaceuticals in an environmental context and its inclusion into the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Compass"

#### 9. ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT BY PROCUREMENT AUTHORITIES

- 9.1. The demand and market analysis
- 9.2. Qualification criteria
- 9.3. Award criteria
- 9.4. Contract clauses
- 9.5. Follow-up activities
- 9.6. Future possibilities
- 9.6.1. New EU Directive for Public Procurement
- Systems according to ISO 14001

9.6.2. New version of Environmental Management





#### 10.REFERENCES

ANNEX 1. REVIEW OF PHARMACEUTICAL MATERIALS FLOWS IN A LIFE CYCLE PERSPECTIVE ANNEX 2. PUBLIC PROCUREMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS IN SWEDEN – A GENERAL OVERVIEW ANNEX 3. PUBLIC PROCUREMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS IN SWEDEN - SELECTED CASES ANNEX 4. THE CSR COMPASS – SUGGESTED INPUT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL DIMENSION INTO A SUSTAINABILITY COMPASS

### WG 4b2, Improving collaboration between sustainable public procurement and sustainability labels and standards

- Working group lead: ISEAL Alliance\*
- Working group membership built: 45 participants
- Objectives:
  - 1) Improve and increase **dialogue** between organisations working with **sustainability standards and labelling schemes**, and those working on SPP, by providing a platform to raise awareness;
  - 2) To share **tools** and good **practices**;
  - 3) To discuss **issues** and **challenges**;
  - 4) Come up with innovative solutions;
  - 5) Provide a **focal point within the 10YFP on SPP and CI** and beyond, for discussion around the role of sustainability standards and labels.









<sup>\*</sup> Second phase of the working group jointly managed with the Consumer Information Programme of the 10YFP (CI-SCP)

### WG 4b2, Improving collaboration between sustainable public procurement and sustainability labels and standards

#### Activities:

- 1st newsletter issued in April 2016
- 2nd newsletter issued in September 2016
- 1st webinar on "New Tools and Guidance for Sustainable Procurers" held on 28 June 2016
- Planning of annual in-person meeting ongoing

#### Ongoing and upcoming themes:

- What tools do procurers need to make use of standards and ecolabels?
- What good examples and best practices can be replicated?
- ➤ How can sustainability standards and ecolabels help sustainable procurers with implementing the SDGs, zero-deforestation commitments and modern slavery reporting?









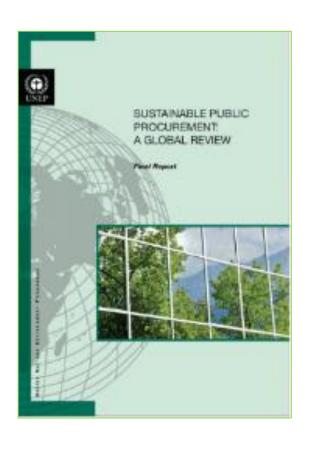
#### Global Review of SPP/GPP

Global Review of SPP 2016		2015			2016									
Activities \ Month		10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	Literature Review													
2	Country Fact sheets													
3	Survey													
4	Interviews													
5	10YFP Programme Summary													
6	Best Practice Examples													
7	Global Review Report and Recommendations													
8	Presentation and Dissemination of Results													
9	Project Coordination and Management													

- **Peer review** *finalized*
- Graphic design: ongoing
- Expected date of publication: January 2017

#### **Upcoming publications:**

### Sustainable Public Procurement: A Global Review 2016



- Reporting on progress made by national governments
- Insights into SPP practices from all over the world
- Examples of good practices from a large variety of different organisations













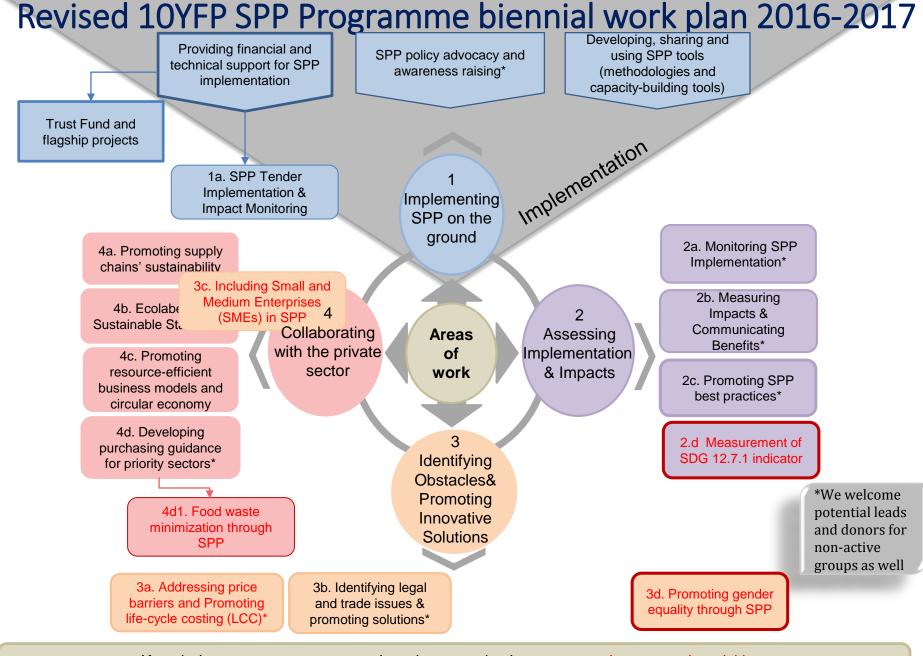


#### Trust Fund projects

- 1. "Mainstreaming Sustainable Public Procurement through the introduction of Product Service Systems in the Western Cape", Western Cape Government, South Africa. Executing agency: International Institute for Sustainable Development.
- 2. "Towards a Sustainable Public Procurement System in Uruguay (TSPPU1)", **Uruguay**. Executing Agency: UNOPS.
- 3. "Establishment and Implementation of GPP in Quezon City for the Promotion of SCP in the Philippines", Quezon City, Philippines. Executing Agency: Environmental Protection and Waste Management Department (EPWMD) of Quezon City.

#### **Proposals of new activities**

- Working group 1a on "SPP tender implementation and impact monitoring"
- Working group 3d on Gender equality and SPP
- Working group 2c: Promoting best practices in the implementation of green public procurement
- WG 2d on the measurement of SDG 12.7 indicator



Knowledge management, outreach and communication, cross-cutting research activities:

Global Review on SPP, Global SCP Clearinghouse, websites and social networks, webinars, SPP Academic Network

# Working group 1a on "SPP tender implementation and impact monitoring"

- Lead organization: ICLEI Local Governments for Sustainability
- The working group "SPP Tender Implementation and Impact Monitoring" will act as a lighthouse project and provide support to purchasing bodies in the East Asia region to procure the best available sustainable products and services in sectors which are highly relevant in terms of potential energy and CO2 emission reductions and social impacts.
- Among East Asian countries China and Korea will be main focus of this working group considering the potential impact on the regional sustainability and similar characteristic of GPP implementation.
   Both countries have promoted GPP in a centralized way based on eco-labelling schemes.

# Working group 1a on "SPP tender implementation and impact monitoring"

- In China GPP is mainly managed by Public Procurement Centers based on two lists of environment label products and energy conservation products. As almost 90% of government procurement is carried out by local governments, the role of local governments is crucial for the success of GPP in China.
- Korea has developed the centralized online procurement system for governmental and public organizations since 2002 and has been implementing GPP through Korea Eco-Label and Good Recycled Mark since 2005. Its GPP recorded around 2 billion USD in 2013 which has increased 7 times since 2004 but there is still is a gap between national framework and local implementation of GPP.

#### Working group 3d on "Gender equality and SPP"

- Working group lead Annie Sorel, ASEA consulting
- The working group on "Gender equality and SPP" aims at identifying the **best** approach to promote gender equality through SPP. The objectives are to:
  - 1) Reflect on the best approach to promote gender equality through SPP, e.g. by promoting the adoption of **gender-responsive laws**, **social clauses** or by including **gender criteria** in public procurement;
  - 2) Identify how these could benefit **women's employment and empowerment**, not only in procurement activities, but more broadly across the **entire supply chain** (by transposing gender equality criteria into the suppliers' policies);
  - 3) Identify ways in which SPP and labelling (Fairtrade, social or eco labels) can help to best promote gender equality. A detailed study of how these are applied in relation to SPP may help to identify which ones bring the most positive impact.

# Working group 3d on gender equality and SPP

#### **Proposed outputs:**

**Output 1** – Review of existing legislation, regulations, practice and initiatives worldwide in relation to the promotion of gender equality through SPP and ecolabelling.

**Output 2** – Review, comparison and evaluation of existing indices (EU Gender Equality Index, United Nations Gender Inequality Index, World Economic Forum Global Gender Pay Gap Index, Social Watch Gender Equity Index, etc.). Identification of gaps and recommendations.

**Output 3** — Collection of evidence of benefits developed by different initiatives to promote gender equality through SPP, and publication of a note.

**Output 4** – Development of a framework for measuring benefits with relevant indicators. Identify relevant indicators for SPP and define a potential evaluation framework.

**Output 5** – Communicate the benefits and the results, and encourage more organizations or governments to adopt similar approaches.

The working group is currently looking for financing in order to be launched.

Potential donors are welcome!

# Group 2c: Promoting best practices in the implementation of green public procurement

- Working group lead: Planet Procurement
- This group aims to create a **SPP Library** a one-stop-shop web platform to build and share sustainable public procurement best practices and case studies around the world.
- Objectives:
  - 1) Design a website and application that enables the efficient sharing of SPP case studies
  - 2) Get source organisations on board of the initiative
  - 3) Develop a V1 of the SPP library including 200 case studies
  - 4) Promote the platform, generate web traffic and awareness among the community of SPP practitioners
- Activities:
  - 1) Design and recruitment 5 months
  - 2) Development and integration 5 months
  - 3) Launch and promotion 2 months
  - 4) Ongoing implementation yearly
- Start date: early 2017

# Group 2c: Promoting best practices in the implementation of green public procurement

#### Task of MAC members

- Review and comment the 2c Concept note and PPT in attachment by 14 November COB
- Concept note to be revised by Planet procurement and submitted to MAC for approval at the next MAC meeting (January 2017)

# SUSTAINABLE GEALS DEVELOPMENT GEALS





- Goal 12: Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns
- Goal 12.7:Promote public procurement practices that are sustainable in accordance with national policies and priorities
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## Group 2.d on the measurement of SDG 12.7.1 indicator

A call for proposals has been drafted by UNEP and will be launched in December 2016.

# Update on the ISO 20400 process

UNEP and 4 partners provided comments on the DIS2 that will was examined during the final Project Committee meeting which took place on 6-9 December in Rio

More from Josh









#### **10YFPP SPP newsletter**











#### **10YFPP SPP newsletter**

6<sup>th</sup> issue – released in August 2015 and available on the SPP page of the UNEP website, or by clicking here.















### The new SCP Clearinghouse website has been launched: www.scpclearinghouse.org

The first online platform dedicated to advancing SCP worldwide through information, knowledge sharing and cooperation.

**Find** and **share** resources and initiatives on SPP in the SPP section

**251** resources and **155** initiatives on SPP shared so far



#### About of the programme

The Sustainable Public Procurement Programme aims at building the case for SPP by improving the knowledge on SPP and its effectiveness as a tool to promote sustainable consumption and production, support greener economies and sustainable development. Furthermore, supporting the implementation of SPP on the ground through increased collaboration and better access to capacity-building tools and support from SPP experts.

Join the community by clicking on "My SCP" on the menu on the left or go to: http://www.scpclearinghouse.org/use r/register



















# Unep Sustainable Public Procurement field projects



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## Pilot countries 2009-2012













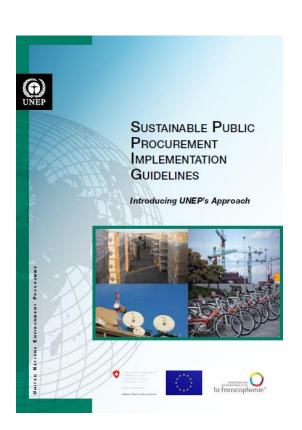






# Sustainable Public Procurement Implementation Guidelines: Introducing UNEP's Approach

The Guidelines of UNEP's SPP
 Approach incorporate the
 lessons drawn from the testing
 of the MTF Approach to SPP
 that UNEP rolled out in 7 pilot
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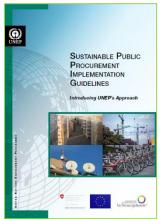






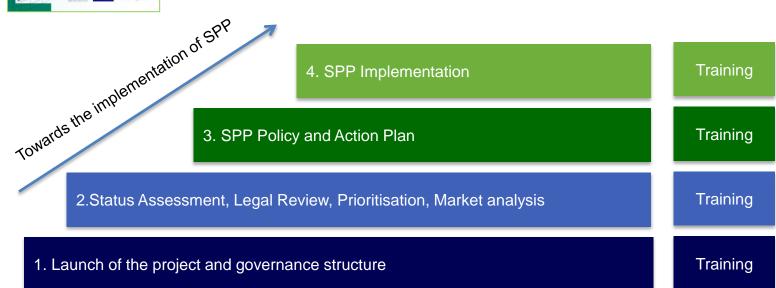
#### The UNEP SPP Approach





The Guidelines of the UN Environment's SPP Approach incorporate the lessons drawn from the testing of the MTF Approach to SPP that UNEP rolled out in 7 pilot countries from 2009 to 2012.





#### Step 1: Project launch and governance establishment

Letter of interest submitted/ NFO identified

Legal instrument signed

Inception workshop

Steering Committee established Implementation Plan















#### Step 2: Preliminary studies

Status Assessment

Legal Review Prioritisation

Prioritisation Workshop

Market Study

Step 3: SPP Policy and Action Plan

SPP Policy and Action Plan drafting

SPP Policy workshop

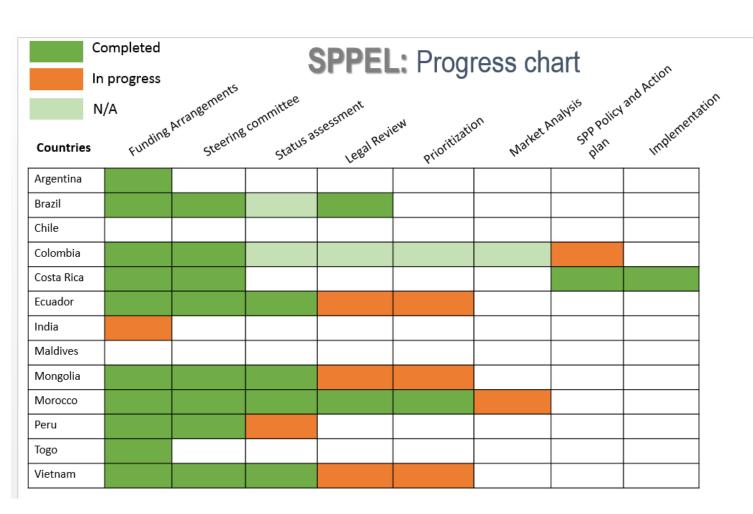
Step 4: Implementation

SPP tools development

Preparation, launch and award of pilot tenders

Capacity building for trainers and public procurers

Communication, legal adjustment, M&E system, etc

















UNEP Sustainable Public Procurement and Ecolabelling, & EaP Green Project Countries



# The Asia Pacific Green Public Procurement and Eco-labelling Project (13-17)

"Strengthening the capacities and improving the knowledge on green public procurement and ecolabelling in the Asia Pacific region"

Funded by China and the Republic of Korea

#### Project partners:

- Chinese Ministry of Environmental Protection, Environmental Development Centre (MEP)
- Korean Environmental Institute (KEITI)
- International Green Purchasing Network (Japan based Secretariat and branches in Malaysia, Indonesia, Vietnam and Thailand)
- Japan Green Purchasing Network (GPN)









#### Asia Pacific GPPEL – Current Progress

- A. Creation of an Asia Pacific Network of SPP and Ecolabelling experts and policy makers and organization
  - Network assembled, meetings held in Seoul (2013), Bangkok and Beijing (2014)
- B. Development of Asia Pacific case studies and benchmarking study on GPP and ecolabelling implementation
  - 7 case studies developed (China, S. Korea, Japan, Thailand)
  - Comparative study of GPP and eco-labelling in East Asia (Thailand, China, Republic of Korea, Japan).
- C. Sharing GPP and ecolabelling knowledge through a regional capacity building scheme
  - SPP Trainings held in Seoul (2013), Kuala Lumpur, October 2015 and Beijing in December 2016
  - Knowledge sharing at meetings and through webinars

#### Asia Pacific GPPEL Network – What's next

Joint development of a new proposal to be submitted to the **China UN Environment Trust Fund** 

- Strengthening of the network
- Increased coordination with the 10YFP
- Capacity building and peer-to-peer learning
  - Development of an SPP training module
  - Training of trainers
  - Certification of procurers on SP
  - Promotion of ISO 20400
  - Case studies and benchmarking study with new countries (Thailand, Malaysia, ...)

#### Why joining the SPP Programme?

- Access a broad network of organizations and individuals working together to foster SPP implementation;
- Share knowledge and expertise with partners and learn from them;
- Participate in group activities addressing specific aspects of SPP implementation

#### African proverb

If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together.





















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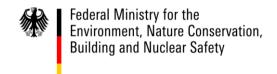
















# The 10YFP Consumer Information Programme for Sustainable Consumption and Production (CI-SCP)





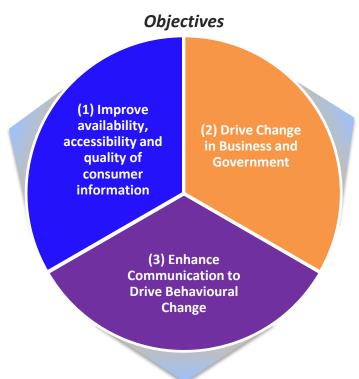




#### CI-SCP work streams: overview



WG1: Guidelines for promoting product sustainability information



Upcoming report on product lifetime extension

WG4: Supporting SPP\* through ecolabels and sustainability standards, with 10YFP SPP

WG2: Eco-labels type I

*WG5:* Behavioural science for sustainable consumption

WG6: Social impacts communication

10YFP Trust Fund projects: China, Chile, Sri Lanka Knowledge sharing through global SCP Clearinghouse, newsletter, webinars

**10YFP Flagship projects** 



### Guidelines for providing product sustainability information



- Process started in June 2015 through CI-SCP working group led by UN Environment and the International Trade Centre
- International guidance on the 'how' and 'what' of communicating goods' and services' sustainability performance; to ultimately enhance consumer awareness, ease and uptake of sustainable choices
- Guide and encourage information providers to communicate reliably
- For companies, retailers, government bodies and others to follow and apply
- High-level principles to follow, from fundamental to aspirational, and guidance on how to apply them
- Final Guidelines are expected to be endorsed by the Consumer Information Programme
  in February 2017 (draft accessible at <a href="https://www.unep.org/10yfp/consumer">www.unep.org/10yfp/consumer</a>)

#### How you can get involved

- 2017: Pilot testing with companies, governments, standard/ labelling organizations ... –
   looking for volunteers!
- If you are interested/ for more details, email <u>ciscp@unep.org</u>



#### Working Group: Ecolabels Type 1



 Led by the Global Ecolabelling Network (GEN) and the Advance SCP project implemented by GIZ Thailand

#### Objectives

- Support collaboration among eco-labelling programmes, facilitate their mutual recognition
- Provide education, capacity building, and consultation to developing countries and emerging economies to develop Type I Ecolabel programmes
- Activities 2016 included **'Extended Southeast Asia conference'** held by **GIZ** in September, as a regional platform to support collaboration and build capacity
- Three formal regional 'chapters', including one for Asia, for capacity building webinars, workshops, exchange, etc., to be launched in 2017

#### How you can get involved

• Email <a href="CISCP@unep.org">CISCP@unep.org</a> to participate







#### **Get involved!**

- Become a partner of the CI-SCP and join one/more of our working groups or propose new activities to be taken on (download the form via the link below or email us to learn more)
- Sign up to our newsletter via the link below
- Share your initiatives and link up with relevant actors via the new SCP Clearinghouse:

http://www.scpclearinghouse.org/consumer-information-scp/how-get-involved

Questions? Email <u>ciscp@unep.org</u>