
ABOUT CIRCPRO PROJECT

CircPro (Smart Circular Procurement) is Interreg Europe funded project which aims at promoting the transition to a more circular economy related national and regional decision-making by increasing the implementation of the circular procurement. Partnership consists of 11 partners from 10 regions. [Read more.](#)



Ten CircPro good practices published

The CircPro project partners have identified a number of good practices (GPs) from the partnership regions that could boost implementation of the circular procurement.

While some GPs are yet in the middle of the evaluation process, six GPs have already been recognised by thematic experts of the Interreg Europe Policy Learning Platform as potential sources of inspiration and learning for European policymakers and have been published in the Policy Learning Platform Database. [Read more.](#)

Improvements in Lithuanian strategic framework

Over a year, Lithuania has made a step forward in shaping a more circular and sustainable policy agenda that also includes procurement policy.

Two most prominent initiatives are the inclusion of green public procurement as a horizontal sustainability criterion in National Progress Program, and the project “Roadmap for Lithuania’s industrial transition to a Circular Economy” implemented by the Ministry of Economy and Innovation. [Read more.](#)

Interview with Manuel Huerta-Bueno

“There are two measures that I understand to be priorities to implement in order to start working with circular economy criteria. Regarding innovation, it is preferred to promote eco-design, so that from the first moment the environmental impact is minimized by facilitating the recovery of waste. We find very interesting to implement the Extended Producer Responsibility in more and more products and material,” he says.

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Photo: CircPro project was presented to all the members at the first stakeholders meeting in Seville, in November 2018

Sustainable procurement on the agenda in Norway



Elverum municipality passed a new procurement strategy and is in the final process of a strategic plan for climate and energy. The Norwegian government wants public procurement to be a driving force for innovation and restructuring in the Norwegian economy.



Both use the principles of sustainable development "Development that meets today's needs without destroying the opportunities for future generations to meet their needs." In order to create sustainable development, the world community must work in three areas: climate and the environment, economy and social conditions. [Read more.](#)

Photos:

- The School and kindergarden of Elverum Vekst/Hornkvern Film & Foto
- The committee of Elverum Municipality/Kate Langsethagen

Professionalisation in Italian procurement sector

CircPro project partner University of Turin promotes the professionalization of contracting authorities, as well as the incorporation of circular economy principles in procurement sector, through a wide array of education, research and training activities and projects. On May 8th, 2020 the University launched via webinar the 5th edition of the Master's degree on "Strategies for Efficiency, Integrity and Innovation in Public Contracts". [Read more.](#)

Photos:

- Left - Conference of 1st October 2019 on the Italian Anticorruption Authority and the University of Turin for new models of smart public administration (organized during the past edition of the Master)
- Right - Student of the previous edition of the Master Program (fourth edition, year 2019/2020)



Covid-19 crisis impact on circular procurements

The COVID-19 crisis has brought to light the fragility of our current unsustainable economic system. Circular procurements can be a catalyst for rebuilding a more resilient and just economy. [Read more.](#)

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