SUSTAINABLE AND INNOVATIVE PUBLIC PROCUREMENT
Our role

• DFØ's main goal is to work towards «efficient and sustainable procurement in the public sector».

• DFØ work to increase the share of green and innovative public procurement.

• DFØ shall be the driving force and competence center for national and international cooperation on green and innovative procurement.
Public procurement accounts for 16% of the total climate footprint in Norway

600 BILLION NOK

5.8

More than emissions from all road traffic in Norway

Local authorities: 2.4
Central authorities: 2.1
County authorities: 2.1
Green and innovative public procurement

- Implement new green solutions
- Reduce negative environmental impact
- Influence global supply chains

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

National commitment under the Paris Agreement:
50-55% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2030, 80-95% reduction by 2050.
Create less waste

- Assess whether procurement is necessary
- Reduce purchased quantity, extend product lifetime and avoid substances that are hazardous to health and the environment
- Collaborate with other procurers to meet equal needs

Reuse

- Request reused, repair, rehabilitation, upgrade or disassembly
- Avoid disposable products

Material recycling

- Request recycled or recyclable materials

Utilize energy

- Consider whether you can create a circular ecosystem (e.g. through the use of biogas made from residues and waste)

Loss of resources
Public Procurement Act § 5

Requires public authorities to adjust their procurement practices so that they reduce harmful environmental impact and promote climate-friendly solutions, when relevant.
10 main measures to increase the share of green and innovative public procurement

1. Contracting authorities shall promote zero- and low-emission solutions and circular economy in priority categories
2. Key central authorities are leading the way
3. Increased GPP competence program
4. Leadership development
5. Better access to statistics and data on green and innovative procurement
6. Increased collaboration between contracting authorities to develop and implement environmental technology and circular solutions
7. Initiative to include start-up companies in the procurement process
8. Increased collaboration with research and innovation environments
9. Test measures for improving contract management and compliance
10. Financial support for additional costs, risk relief and competence building
Priority categories:

- Transportation
- Building and constructions
- Food and catering services
- ICT and electronics
- Plastic products and products that contain plastic
- Batteries
- Furniture
- Textiles
- Products that contain substances that are hazardous to health and the environment
Our work and services on sustainable and innovative procurement

- Online guidance
- SPP criteria
- Data gathering and performance monitoring
- Networking and regional task force
- StartOff
- Helpdesk
- Prioritizing-, risk- and effect calculation tools
- Training
- Beginners’ guidance
- Certification scheme

The Norwegian Agency for Public and Financial Management
Data gathering and performance monitoring

- Data collection
- Analysis of status and development
- Maturity surveys
- Professional studies and reports
- Reporting on sustainability goals 12.7.1
- Automatic text analysis of tenders
Online guidance and SPP criteria

- Specific guidance on the priority categories
- General guidance on e.g., reduction of plastic and circular procurement
- Best practice examples
- News and newsletter
- Requirement's formulations and criteria for green procurement and social responsibility
  - Household waste collection
  - Waste from Public Service Enterprises
  - New buildings
  - Infrastructure
  - Rental of property
  - Computers, monitors and tablets
  - Food and beverage products
  - Meal services
  - Furniture
  - Light vehicles
  - Textiles (under development)
Prioritizing, risk and effect calculation tools

- Environmental footprint analysis
- Climate spend analysis for state authorities
- Effect calculation tools – emissions from
  - vans and cars
  - material use in buildings
- Social responsibility – high risk list
- Joint initiative for quantifying climate emissions related to public procurement (both on country and Nordic level)
Helpdesk, beginners’ guidance and certification scheme

- In February 2021 we opened a SPP and innovation helpdesk, that answers questions by telephone and email 5 days a week
- In 2020 we published a beginners’ guidance, and we are now developing a supplementary e-learning program
- The certification scheme consists of a curriculum and a certification test. Currently there are two:
  - Basic level of public procurement
  - Sustainable public procurement
- All of these are a part of the increased GPP competence program
Training, networking and regional task force

• Another initiative from the increased GPP competence program is the regional task force
  - different outreach activities, but also provides tailor-made competence offer to Norway’s 11 different regions
  - includes both local and central authorities

• Nordic cooperation on market dialogue activities
  - Zero emission delivery of goods
  - Circular solutions – furniture
  - Computers and mobile phones

• Our training offer
  - 1 hour webinars/courses on SPP every other week
  - (Digital) SPP day 2-3 times a year
  - Regional workshops
  - Network activities
StartOff

• Brings contracting authorities together with startups to solve challenges in the public sector
• The contracting authority receives help for a defined process and can develop new solutions in collaboration with startups.
  - Better solutions
  - Faster development
  - Bigger savings
  - Work with the leading innovators
  - New forms of collaboration
• New initiative on circular and green StartOff projects