

## **PROJECT NOTIFICATION**

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Project Code	23-IP-02-GE-WSP-A
Title	Workshop on Innovative Public Procurement
Timing	18 July 2023–20 July 2023
Hosting Country(ies)	Sri Lanka
Venue City(ies)	Not Applicable
Modality	Online
Implementing Organization(s)	National Productivity Secretariat, Sri Lanka and APO Secretariat
Participating Country(ies)	All Member Countries
Overseas Participants	38
Local Participants	12
Closing Date	30 June 2023
Remarks	Not Applicable

Objectives	Discuss innovative procurement in the public sector including the impact on service delivery and citizens' satisfaction; Examine new approaches to successful, innovative public procurement; Explore procurement processes to promote innovation and productivity in the public sector.
Rationale	Innovative public procurement refers to acquiring new or significantly improved goods or services to enhance the productivity and quality of public services. The OECD Framework to Promote the Strategic Use of Public Procurement for Innovation (2017) outlined several methods to make procurement systems more successful, including policy strategies and stakeholder engagement.
Background	Public-sector organizations purchase goods and services to provide utilities to citizens. The market cannot always meet society's needs, and solutions are not sufficiently effective, too expensive, or do not yet exist. It is therefore necessary to promote innovative procurement by contracting services, negotiating with market vendors to meet evolving needs, and using government funds to meet citizens' needs while increasing productivity.  There is now a consensus that public procurement must be open to competition and operate at the highest level of integrity. Stakeholders
	view public procurement as a strategic government function and a public-sector management tool with direct impacts on the quality and quantity of services provided to citizens.
Topics	New approaches to public procurement; Public policy instruments for innovative procurement; Opportunities and challenges in innovative public procurement; Reforming public procurement systems for innovation; Cases of successful innovative public procurement.
Outcome	Participants will learn about the latest innovative approaches to public procurement to design and deliver higher-quality, more productive, more cost-efficient solutions and enhancing citizen's satisfaction.
Qualifications	Policymakers and government officials, representatives of government enterprises, and staff of public organizations and National Productivity Organizations working on procurement systems and related legislation in the public sector.

Please refer to the implementation procedures circulated with this document for further details.

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