



## Post-tender spending management in Rhineland-Palatinate



Public Procurement Principle: **E-procurement**



Procurement Stage: **Post-tender**



Audience: **Policy maker, Procuring entity**

### Description

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The state of Rhineland-Palatinate has achieved a degree of procurement centralisation through the creation of three central purchasing bodies. They are State Services Property and Construction Management (Landesbetrieb Liegenschafts- und Baubetreuung, LBB), State Services Data and Information (Landesbetrieb Daten und Information, LDI) and State Services Mobility (Landesbetrieb Mobilität, LBM). The central procurement office within the LBM (Zentrale Beschaffungsstelle des Landes, ZBL) is also responsible for all procurement of standard supplies and services for the state.

Contracting authorities in the state also carry out procurement not handled by the central purchasing bodies. This type of procurement usually occurs on an ad hoc basis or is specialised in nature. There is some variety in the processes used by contracting authorities when undertaking procurement. Some standardisation can be assured, however, through the supervision of a central purchasing body.

Tenders in the state are advertised on one of two electronic procurement systems, either on the Procurement Market (Vergabemarktplatz, VMP) or the Procurement Management System (Vergabemanagementsystem, VMS). These systems provide the following functionalities:

- publication of pre-tender and post-award announcements
- the execution of different types of procedures allowed under federal- and state-level legislation, including below-threshold procurement processes
- data connections with TED and federal publishing sites
- electronic provision and submission of tender documents

- communication with bidders
- documentation of the entire procurement process to provide guidance to procurement staff and suppliers, including on assessment and awarding

Once completed, any contracts that are eligible for use by contracting authorities are loaded onto the Kaufhaus des Landes (KdL), the state-level e-catalogue system.

Source: OECD (2019), [Public Procurement in Germany: Strategic Dimensions for Well-being and Growth](#), OECD Public Governance Reviews, OECD Publishing, Paris

