



The PPI2Innovate project



Public Procurement Principle: **Balance, Capacity**



Procurement Stage: **Pre-tendering, Tendering**



Audience: **Policy maker, Procuring entity, Private sector**

Description

The PPI2Innovate project is designed to use capacity building to boost usage of public procurement innovation in Central Europe. The project began on 1 June 2016 and continued until 31 May 2019 within the European Union-funded programme “Interreg CENTRAL EUROPE”.

It consists of a consortium of 10 partners from six central European countries (Hungary, the Czech Republic, Poland, Italy, Slovenia and Croatia), with eight associated partners. The project is aimed at building regional capacities in public procurement innovation, changing attitudes towards public procurement innovation, strengthening linkages among relevant stakeholders in regional innovation systems, and consequently boosting usage of public procurement innovation in Central Europe.

The outputs of the project are three thematic PPI2Innovate tools (Smart Health, Smart Energy and Smart ICT), which will be fully customised to the six national institutional frameworks and translated into each national language.

In addition, there will be six action plans for the operation of Competence Centres to be established by networking partners covering the regional level in Poland (RARR), Italy (University of Torino – UNITO) and Hungary (CTRIA- Central Transdanubian Regional Innovation Agency), and the national level in Slovenia (ICT Technology Network Institute), Croatia (BICRO) and the Czech Republic (DEX Innovation Centre). Other activities include:

- a Central Europe network of PPI2Innovate competence centres
- training of new members of the PPI network
- PPI pilots in the energy, health and ICT sectors in Hungary (Somogy County), Italy (Piedmont Region), Poland (Lubin) and Slovenia (Ministry of Public Administration).
- various workshops for contracting authorities organised by project partners.

Source: OECD (2019), [Reforming Public Procurement: Progress in Implementing the 2015 OECD Recommendation](#), OECD Publishing, Paris

