



United Nations  
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Sustainable Public Procurement Project in  
Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia

## Workshop

### TRANSFORMING SUSTAINABILITY INTO NEW BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

Enhance Ukrainian small and medium enterprises' (SMEs) capacity to access sustainable public procurement and broaden their markets

## AGENDA

**Date:** 30 November 2021

Start: 14:00 (Kyiv time, Ukraine)

End: 15:30 (Kyiv time, Ukraine)

**Format:** web-based video conference

**Platform:** Zoom

**Language:** Ukrainian and English  
(with simultaneous interpretation)





## Background

The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) has been actively supporting target countries within the Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia over the last two years to strengthen national capacity on implementing sustainable public procurement (SPP) measures. This work is being carried out through an United Nations Development Account funded project called “Enhancing sustainable public procurement for the regional transition to inclusive green economy in Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia (EECCA)”, or UNDA SPP project for short.

In addition to strengthening national capacity on implementing SPP measures, the UNDA SPP project also has an aim to support businesses, in particular small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs) through capacity building and advisory services to improve their ability to comply with associated sustainability criteria. This component of the UNDA SPP project is being deployed as a joint effort with the I-GO initiative by the Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production Centre (Ukraine). The joint I-GO and SPP project component aims to work with a variety of SMEs and their intermediaries to deliver:

- An in-depth understanding of what is required to help SMEs access new sustainability-based markets.
- A support structure that will ensure the project outcomes are upscaled and replicated using the existing range of sustainability support services to the best effect.

This training workshop has therefore been developed as an important way to engage with SMEs and help build awareness of the benefits of being prepared for national SPP processes.

## Training workshop objectives

The event focuses on the following key objectives:

- Raising awareness among SMEs and other stakeholders on SPP in Ukraine, explaining the associated procedures and showcasing its benefits;
- Presenting the current status of SPP implementation in both Ukraine and the broader EECCA region, and discussing future developments;
- Describing the new opportunities related to SPP for Ukrainian SMEs; and
- Introducing the opportunity for SMEs to avail of free expert support to assess their readiness for SPP sustainability criteria.

## Date and delivery method

The event will be organized online using the Zoom platform on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021 from 14:00 to 15:30 (Kyiv time, Ukraine (EET)).



## Participants

The event's participants will include the representatives of SMEs interested in the issues of SPP, circular economy and resource efficient and cleaner production, as well as the representatives of the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Natural Resources of Ukraine and the Ministry of Economy of Ukraine, UNEP and national experts.

To register, please [fill in the form](#).

## Organizers

UNEP

Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production Centre (Ukraine)





## Agenda

Time (EET)	Item
14:00-14:15	<i>Welcoming remarks</i>  <b>Ms. Anna Yuldashova,</b> Deputy Director of the Public Procurement Department – Head of the Public Procurement Policy Division of the Ministry of Economy of Ukraine  <b>Mr. Farid Yaker</b> Programme Officer, Economy Division, UNEP
14:15-14:20	<i>Poll on SPP awareness</i>
14:20-14:35	<i>SPP as a modern approach to efficient production and consumption</i>  <b>Mr. Johannes Fresner</b> Expert, Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production Centre
14:35-14:50	<i>Introduction to SPP in Ukraine</i>  <b>Ms. Halyna Buzan,</b> Executive Secretary of the National Technical Committee for Standardization Technical Committee 82 “Environmental Protection”, State Ecological Academy of Postgraduate Education and Management of the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Natural Resources of Ukraine
14:50-14:55	<i>Poll on SMEs’ SPP readiness and resource efficiency actions to date</i>
14:55-15:15	<i>Enhancing SMEs’ SPP readiness: possibilities, applications, and procedures</i>  <b>Mr. Ivan Omelchuk</b> Expert, Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production Centre
15:15-15:25	<i>Introduction to free expert advisory service to help SMEs improve their SPP readiness</i>  <b>Mr. Andrii Vorfolomeiev</b> Director, Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production Centre  <i>Question &amp; Answer session</i>
15:25-15:30	<i>Closing remarks</i>  <b>Ms. Lesya Nikolayeva</b> International Expert, UNDA SPP project