



Monitoring Green Public Procurement in the EU

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Communication (2008) Public Procurement for a Better Environment

- Political target: 50% of tendering procedures to be green by 2010
- in number and value of green contracts as compared to the overall number and value of contracts
- "green"="compliant with endorsed common "core" GPP criteria for 10 product groups
- based on an analysis of a representative sample of tendering procedures.



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How much GPP is being done in the EU?

- 2008 study: 50% target more or less achieved in the 7 most advanced Member States for 10 product and service groups
- 2011 Study: 50% target not met across the whole of the EU (26%), but more than 50% of public authorities are doing some sort of green procurement





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Shortcomings of current approach

- Not based on tender evaluations, but on self-reporting (lack of statistics) - possible biased outcome
- Low response rate in some countries
- Definitions of what is green is different between Member States



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Next steps

- 7th Environmental Action Programme and European Resource Efficiency Platform Recommendations are calling for a more solid monitoring system
- Discussions with Member States in the Commission's GPP Advisory Group in the coming months



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Thank you!

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