

SPP/GPP in the Mediterranean Countries

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CP/RAC Focal Points Meeting



SPP: What and Why?

- Organisations meet their **needs** (goods, services, works & utilities)
 - Achieving **value for money** on a **whole life basis**
 - **Benefits** for **society** and the economy
 - Minimising the damage to the **environment**
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- **Role model** for businesses and general consumers
 - Public Procurement represents between **15-25% of GDP**
 - Using **market forces to stimulate** greener products with competitive prices

GPP Background in Malta

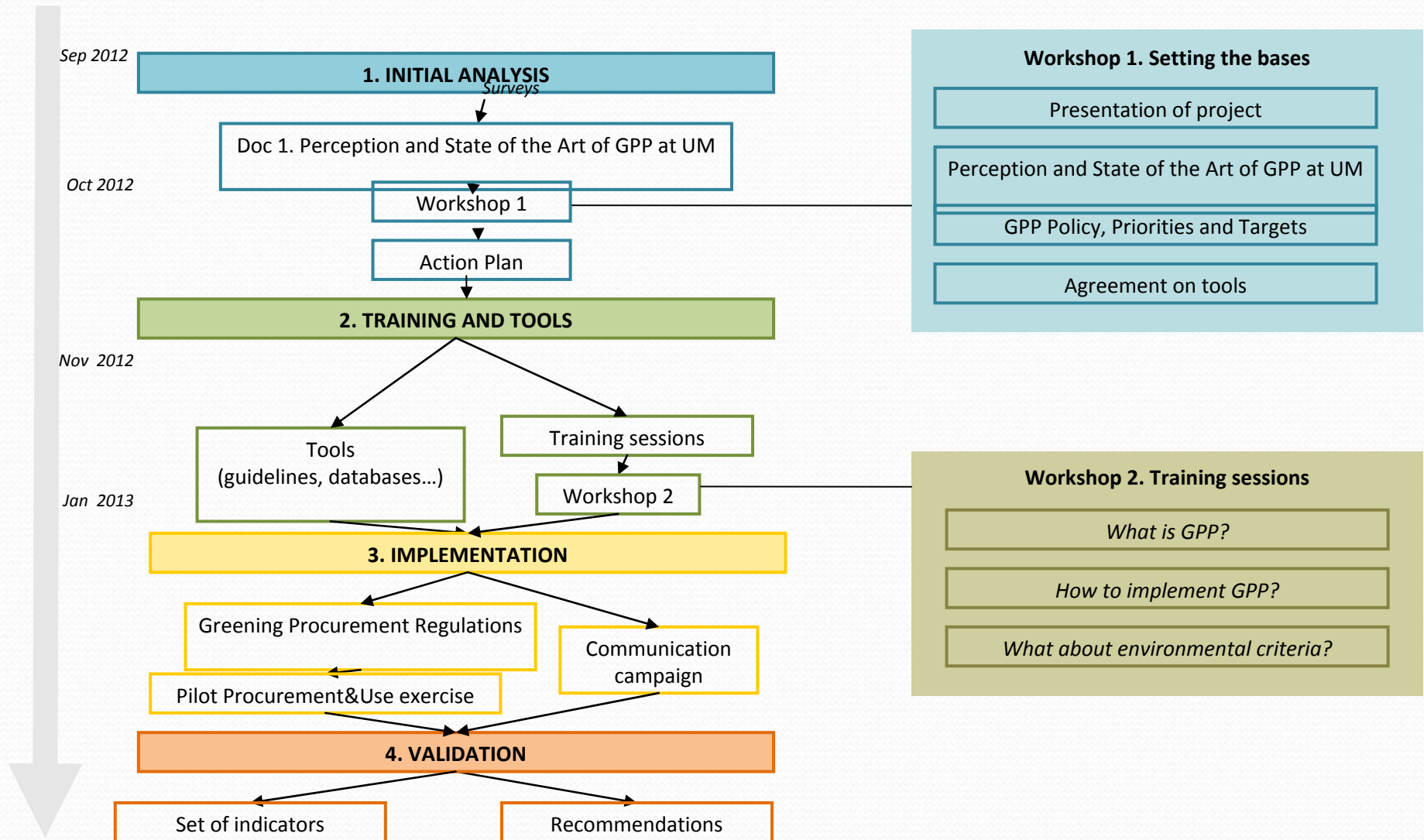
Government of Malta

- Implementation of GPP → Identified amongst the priority actions of the **National Environmental Policy** (Feb. 2012)
- Level of GPP (value and n^o tenders) is projected to reach **50% of procurement by 2015**
- The Government has adopted a **GPP National Action Plan** (August 2011) → GPP targets for 18 service-product groups
- **GPP Circular** disseminated among procurers → GPP mandatory for some service-product groups from January 2012

University of Malta

- Government Entity → **abide with General Procurement Regulations** (Department of Contracts)
- University Procurement Directorate → required to **incorporate green purchasing targets**

Implementation of a GPP Strategy- Malta University (I)



Implementation of a GPP Strategy- Malta University (II)

Stage 0: State of the Art and Perception

- 2 **questionnaires** were distributed among the Public Procurement Directorate staff at the University and analyzed:
- General Knowledge (familiarity, information sources,..)
- Current Criteria for Procurement
- Incentives and Barriers to undertake GPP
- Priorisation of Products/Services

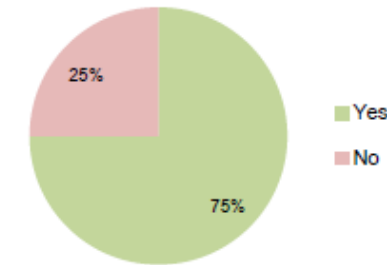


Figure 3. Familiarity with the concept of GPP

Stage 1: Initial Analysis

- **Workshop 1** (October 30th 2012)
 - Results from the questionnaires
 - The **GPP Policy** was drafted (priorities and objectives)
 - Information regarding **Action Plan** was provided
 - **Training actions and tools** for GPP implementation were introduced

- **Memorandum of Understanding** CP/RAC-Malta University-Cleaner Technology Centre (November 8th 2012)

Implementation of a GPP Strategy- Malta University (Ila)



Output from
Workshop 1:

GPP Policy Targets 2013

- Copying and Graphic paper (100%)
- Gardening products/services (100%)
- Textiles (100%)
- Office IT Equipment (100%)
- Furniture (100%)
- Construction (30%)

Implementations of a GPP Strategy- Malta University (III)

Stage 2: Training and Tools

→ **Meeting with Procurement Directorate Representatives** (January 16th 2013)

- Validation of the GPP Policy
- Discussion and validation of the Action Plan

→ **Workshop 2** (January 17th 2013)

- GPP in Malta (representative from the Ministry for Tourism, Culture and the Environment)
- How to implement GPP
- Life Cycle Cost Approach
- Information sources and eco-labelling schemes



Implementations of a GPP Strategy- Malta University (IV)

Further objectives within the Action Plan

- **Objective 1:** Establish and maintain a **GPP Policy** at the University
- **Objective 2:** Insert **Environmental Criteria** Throughout the Procurement Process
- **Objective 3:** Provide **appropriate training** for the **staff responsible for carrying out specific tasks** and to **key users of the products and services**
- **Objective 4:** **Communicate the GPP actions** to the involved staff, the whole University Community and other relevant stakeholders
- **Objective 5:** Ensure that the implementation of GPP is continuously **monitored** and the project **progresses satisfactorily**

Implementation of a SPP in Montenegro (I)

Mission 0 (15th-17th November 2011)

- Within the Project Implementation of **Sustainable Public Procurement in Mediterranean Countries**
- Agreed: carry out a **workshop to raise awareness** within Montenegrin Public Authorities

Mission 1 (10th-11th December 2012)

- **Meeting prior to the Workshop:** personnel from the Public Procurement Administration and a representative from the Ministry of Economy
- **Workshop “Awareness raising on SPP”** for Public Procurement Administration staff and representatives from other relevant entities”
- **Final meeting:** Public Procurement Administration Director and personnel

Implementation of a SPP in Montenegro (II)

- **Meeting (December 10th 2012):**
 - **CP/RAC's role regarding SPP in the Mediterranean and remind the 2011 commitments**
 - **Current Status of SPP in Montenegro: SPP in the Law on Public Procurement (2011) and in the Public Procurement Strategy (2011-2015)**
 - **New Energy Efficiency Secondary Legislation to be adopted (2013)**
 - **Initiatives towards centralization of procurement**
- **Workshop (December 11th 2012):**
 - **Representatives (lawyers, procurement officers, administrators, employees and directives) of relevant institutions (Public Procurement, Environmental Protection, Sustainable Development...)**
 - **Introduction of Concepts, Methods for Practical Implementation and Examples**
 - **Aim: Identify Key Institutions and priority activities for the inclusion of SPP**
 - **Possible Future Pilot Actions: City Buses and Catering Services**

Implementation of a SPP in Montenegro (III)

•Final Meeting (December 11th 2012)

(Public Procurement Director and staff):



-Positive Feedback of the Workshop (useful and with relevant information)

-Public Procurement Admin. : Active Participation in the Public Procurement Strategy

-Possible Future Steps on SPP

-CP/RAC Montenegro SPP Project:

→Identification of products/services

→Pilot actions for practical application

→Further training of the PPA Officers

→Future commitments will be compiled in a Memorandum of Understanding

Thank you for your patience!



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