

Task 2.1. Gather information of good and bad practices on purchase of energy efficient products and services

INVENTORY/RECORDING PROCESS

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I. Inventory process for recording and collection of good and bad practices

Besides an extensive desk research and a review of the recent GPP and SEAP practices in the EU Member States, this study essentially draws on the findings of a comprehensive data collection exercise based on two different online surveys that was submitted to public authorities at different levels of government in each GreenS country.

The methodological approach has been chosen in align with project's tasks and in agreement with the GreenS partners. In order to secure a greater level of detail in our analysis, we have entirely relied on the support of institutional bodies from the GreenS project and SEAP energy experts. National experts acted as contact persons for their own countries to ease the process of data collection and some also conducted personal interviews with public authorities during the questionnaire process.

In order to make valid statements from the data collected, we had to ensure that our results are as accurate as possible and that the sample of authorities contacted is as valid as possible. Therefore, there had been no intention to obtain qualitative statistically representative sample in terms of what is the level of GPP uptake in all eight countries as this has not been at all the purpose of the required tasks. Rather the attention has been on obtaining the quality data. The main purpose of this exercise was to get information about GPP implementation, what public procurers purchase and how they do it; consequently more targeted public procurers from the local, regional and national level has been chosen.

In addition, a number of steps were taken in order to avoid sampling errors and to obtain reliable data set that would allow making relevant evaluation. The main objective with this exercise was to see **how** the GPP implementation is taken on and **NOT** the rate of the GPP up-take at the national level; in order to reveal the later data we would need to have some thousands of respondents in each country! Overarching aim was to focus on **targeted group** for collecting quality data from real GPP practitioners; otherwise too poor information with such small sample could be received. Therefore, all responsible NPs have been asked to find and make contacts with at least 10 public authorities at national/regional/local level (or personnel that are responsible for GPP implementation) that are already implementing and are familiar with GPP. These could be either a managerial staff (director of procurement or other unit, official working at the ministry /region responsible for GPP etc.) or procurers themselves.





a) Questionnaires

Two surveys provided organised collection of data that are most relevant for the illustration of GPP in countries and in public organisations observed. Reporting of data involves analysis, interpretation and presentation of data received. The results have been aimed to analyse and map the status of the implementation of GPP. Assembled data described in detail all answers on every question for each country separately and also summed up for all together. They have been presented in graphical and table forms.

For obtaining required information we prepared two (2) on-line questionnaires (Q); one for public procurers and one for national partners (NPs). The first questionnaire was focusing more on practices, the other on the GPP process and policy at the national level.

1) Questionnaire on Good Practice in implementing Green Public Procurement (GPP)

The first questionnaire (Q1 – public procurers) was designed in order to collect data on the procurement behaviours of public authorities in eight respective countries (see *below* the original text of the questionnaire). The questionnaire in English language was published online/HTML format to facilitate data collection and tailor the survey to the respondents' time preferences. It was translated in only one national language (in Bulgarian) while in other countries public procurers got language support from project's institutional bodies. With the Q for public procurers, who are in practice carrying out GPP and know the best how to do it, what and how much they purchase, and what difficulties they are facing, we were collecting mainly two sets of data: about their own organisation' practices related to GPP and their own procurement experience. Partially we also wanted to know how much they are aware of the national policy of GPP.

The questionnaire was structured as follows:

- A general section contained questions on the type of public sector and the level of awareness of national activities in relation of GPP and which existing support at national level they use.
- The section about organisations' level proposed questions about organisations' and respondent's activities regarding GPP, estimated level of GPP uptake, etc.
- Third section focused on GPP implementation by procurers. The questions that were directed at the respondents asked about what type and how they use criteria, how often they apply possible innovative solutions in green/energy efficient procurement, what energy efficient products/services/works they have purchased recently, what support they would need, what are the main difficulties in applying GPP in their opinion etc.

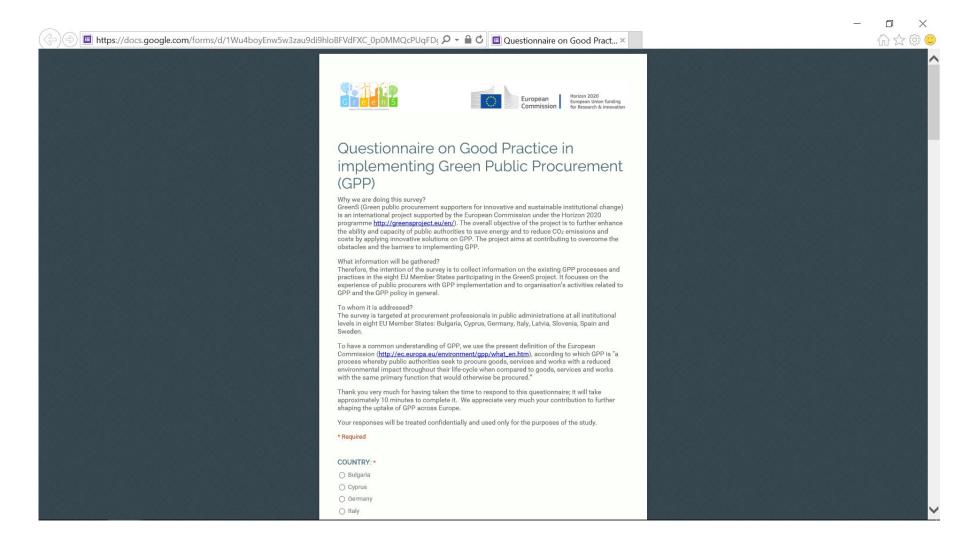




Overall, 114 questionnaires have been received, more than 10 envisaged per each country (more than 14 in average per country).











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○ Yes	
2. Are you aware of any national targets for the uptake of GPP? *	
○ No	
○ Yes	
3. Are you aware of any statistic reporting on GPP in your country? *	
○ No	
○ Yes	
4. Do you know of any priority GPP products, services and works? *	
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	If yes, do you use any of these support activities? Please specify:	
	Information about organisation's activities on GPP	
	We'd appreciate if you could share with us some more insight into how your organisation is implementing GPP.	
	6. Does your organisation have a GPP strategy or Action Plan? *	
	○ No	
	○ Yes	
	7. Do you have managerial support for the implementation of GPP? *	
	○ No	
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	8. Do you have political support for the implementation of GPP? *	
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	○ Yes	
	10. Have you attended any training seminar on GPP? *	
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	☐ Nationally developed criteria	
	Green criteria from other countries	
	☐ Criteria from Ecolabels	
	☐ Environmental technical standards	
	☐ Criteria from any appropriately certified or labelled products	
	Requirements from environmental management systems	
	☐ Provisions set in different EU sector legislation	
	Other:	
	14. In which stages of the procurement process do you usually include the green/energy efficient criteria? You can select as many statements as you wish. *	
	☐ When defining the subject matter of the contract	
	☐ In the requirements for technical/professional ability of the tenderer	
	☐ In the technical specifications	
	☐ In the award criteria	
	☐ In the contract performance clauses	
	☐ In all stages of GPP process	
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Office IT Equipment		
☐ Imaging Equipment		
	uipment used in the Health Care Sector	
Transport/vehicles		
☐ Infrastructure works (moto	ways, bridges, etc.)	
☐ Street lighting and traffic s		
☐ Waste Water Infrastructure		
☐ Construction/Buildings		
Combined Heat and Power		
☐ Indoor lighting		
☐ Water-based Heaters		
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2) Questionnaire on implementing Green Public Procurement (GPP) for NPs

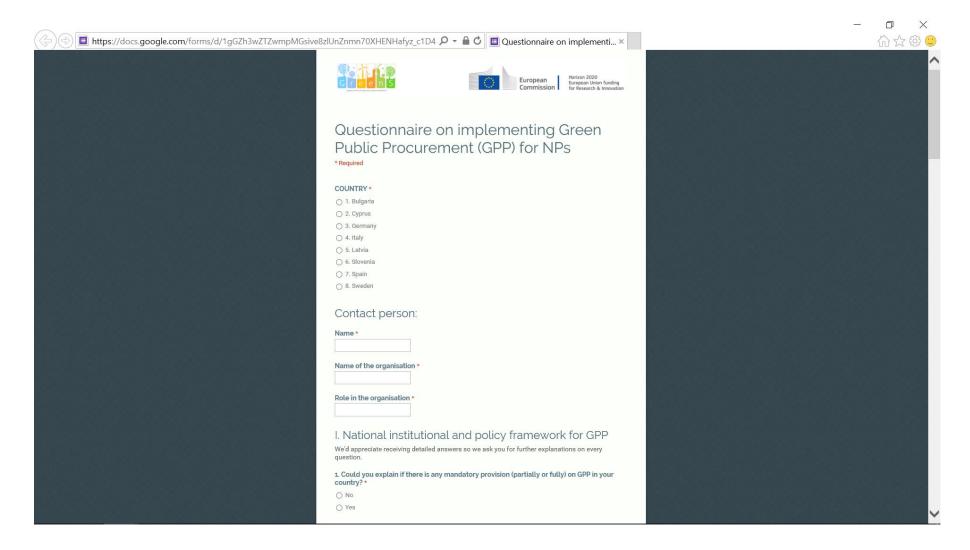
The second questionnaire (Q2 – national partners) weighed up broadly the institutional / policy system of the GPP in the country and assessed in length the conceivable national support activities in each country. The questionnaire was addressed to national partners (NPs). First general section contained questions on the national status of GPP (policy frameworks) and estimated level of GPP uptake etc. Another section focuses on the process, i. e. all possible support activities that could help public procurers for easier, better and quicker implementation of GPP in order to assess what exactly exists in these countries. Hence, with the questions for NPs we expected to gather up-to-date data about the policy and institutional level of GPP in each project country. We assumed that NPs are very knowledgeable about the state of art of the GPP in their respective countries and also we need reliable data in order to consistently and trustworthily present the present status of GPP for each project's country in the final report of WP2. National partners also made comparison with the data in the **Plans** (NAPs) as published the EU at Commission (http://ec.europa.eu/environment/gpp/action plan en.htm). See below the original text of the questionnaire.

Overall, 8 questionnaires have been received, 1 per each country.

Finally, with approach that we have chosen we believe that, overall, the result and the evaluation of survey is robust.











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I. National institutional and policy framework for GPP	
We'd appreciate receiving detailed answers so we ask you for further explanations on every question.	
 Could you explain if there is any mandatory provision (partially or fully) on GPP in your country? * 	
○ No	
○ Yes	
further explanation *	
2. Is a GPP National Action Plan (NAP) adopted? *	
○ No	
○ Yes	
further explanation *	
3. Are there national targets and timeframes set for the GPP uptake? If so, what are they? *	
○ No	
○ Yes	
further explanation *	
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4. Are there any priority GPP products, services and works defined? If so, what are they? *	
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○ Yes	
further explanation *	
5. Is there any (other than NAP) policy document about GPP (at any level)? *	
○ No	
○ Yes	
further explanation *	
6. Is there any political agreement (e. i. (local) governmental decision) that recommends the	
implementation of GPP? *	
○ No	





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	8. Are potential benefits of GPP promoted? *			
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	further explanation *			
	9. Is there a GPP monitoring and statistic reporting system in place? *			
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	further explanation *			
	10. Is life cycle costing (LCC) promoted and used among public procurers? *			
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	11. Which GPP-criteria is used in your country? Multiple choices possible.*			
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	□ EU GPP criteria			
	Other:			
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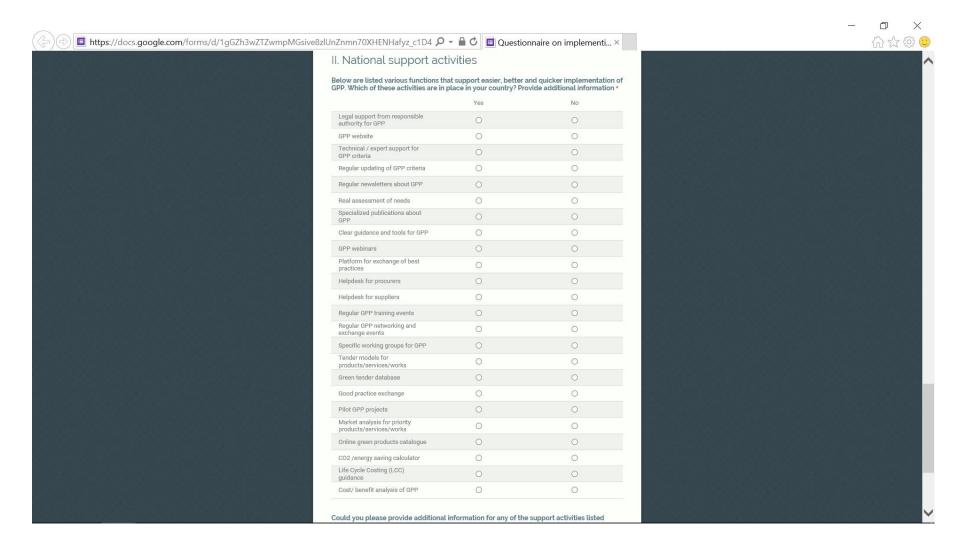




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	Number and/or percentage of GPP Value of all procurement *	purchase *			
	Financial value and/or percentage	of GPP purchase *			
	Percentage of country's GPP uptake	• *			
	Please state for which year are thes	e data. Any other explana	tion? *		
	13. In your opinion, how could the Gi	PP uptake in your country	be improved? Please specify: *		
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	II. National support ac	tivities			
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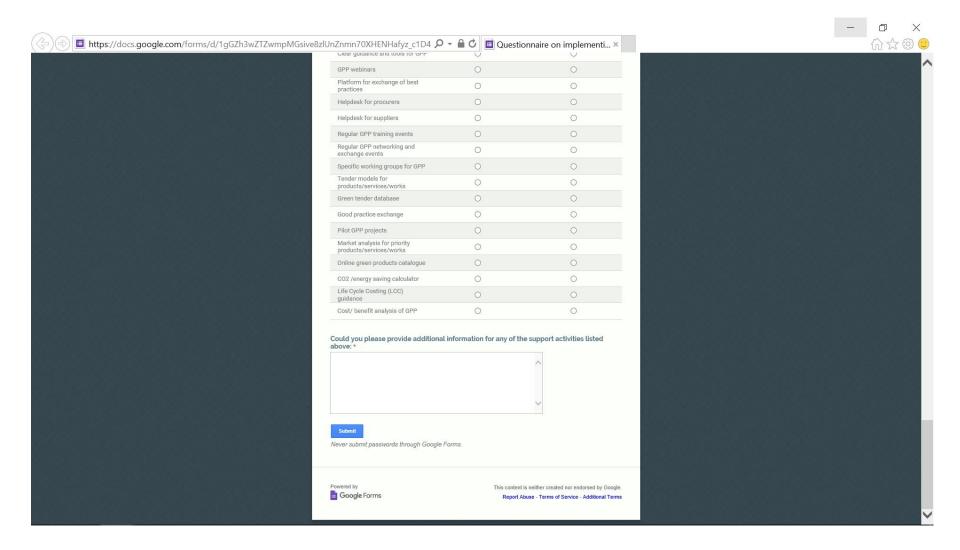
















b) Comparative analysis / matrix

The comparative analysis of survey results should fully reveal GPP practices and processes in GreenS countries. Method that was used for this comparison was set of indicators that are following all four sections of both questionnaires and are basically covering most of the answers. Marking each indicator with corresponding answers from survey clearly pointed out the main strengths and weaknesses in the countries involved and the manners and approaches of GPP implementation. However, some additional individual qualitative assessments had been needed as well which was employed by giving grades to certain indicators. In this way the good and weaker (bad) practices of GPP implementation could be portrayed for each country individually. The results have been evaluated and presented in total value, so for all countries together, in graphical and table form.

It also has to be noted that analysis of results does not serve at all for comparison of actions between different countries but rather shows how these respective countries are performing with GPP implementation.





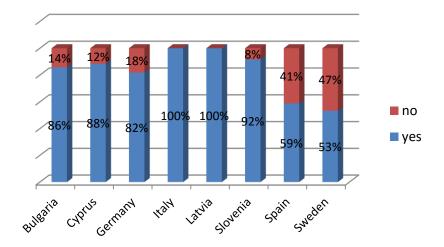
II. Results and other aspects/information on previous good and bad GPP practices per countries

(Bulgaria, Cyprus, Germany, Italy, Latvia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden)

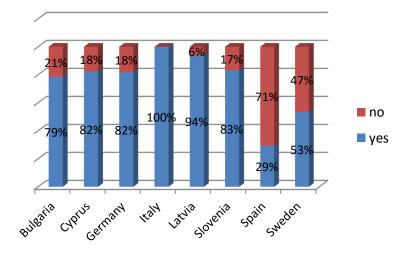
Results below should not be read as competing comparison between the respective GreenS' countries but rather as a comprehensive illustration of GPP performance, process, implementation and practice in each country.

Questionnaire on Good Practices in implementing Green Public Procurement (GPP) – Q1

1. Are you informed of a national GPP policy or political agreement for the uptake of GPP?



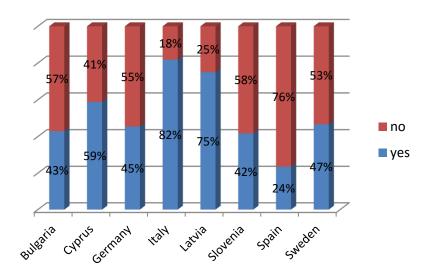
2. Are you aware of any national targets for the uptake of GPP?



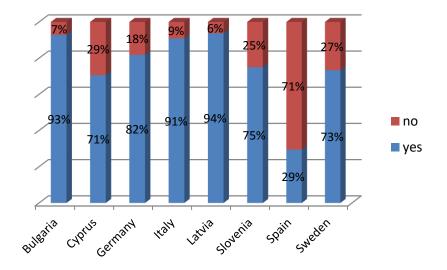




3. Are you aware of any statistic reporting on GPP in your country?



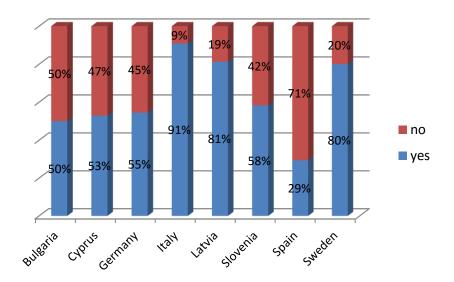
4. Do you know of any priority GPP products, services and works?



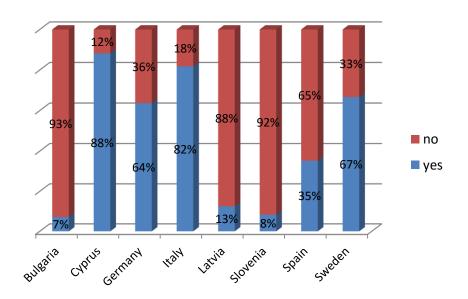




5. Are you aware of any support activities for GPP (i.e. help desk, guidance, trainings, website, etc.)?



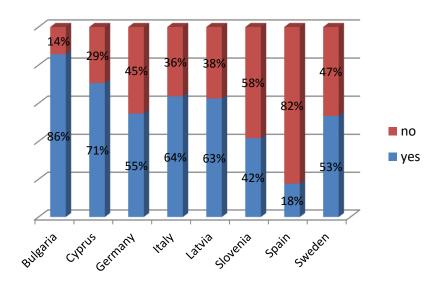
6. Does your organisation have a GPP strategy or Action Plan?



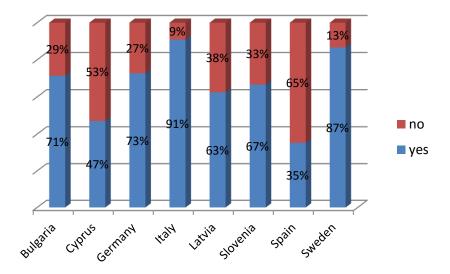




7. Do you have managerial support for the implementation of GPP?



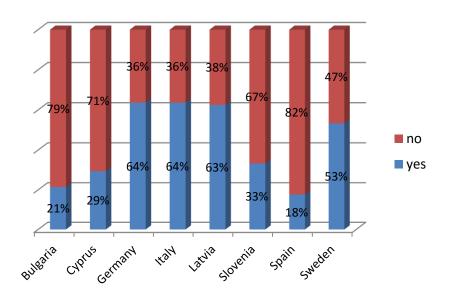
8. Do you have political support for the implementation of GPP?



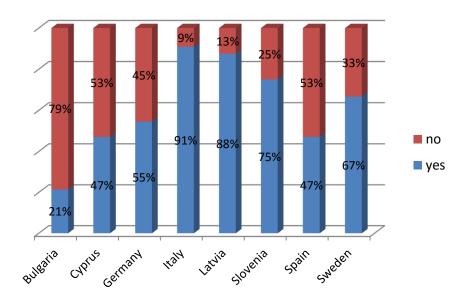




9. Is your organisation implementing any market engagement activities to learn about alternative solutions?



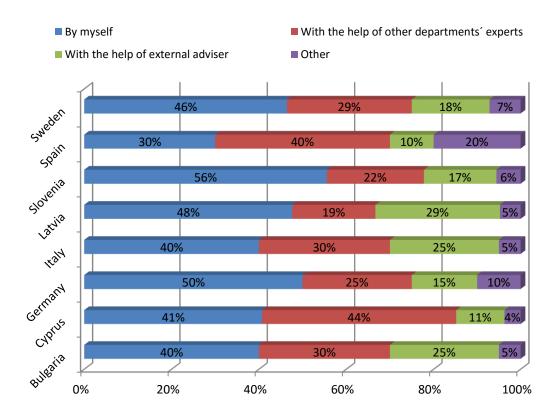
10. Have you attended any training seminar on GPP?



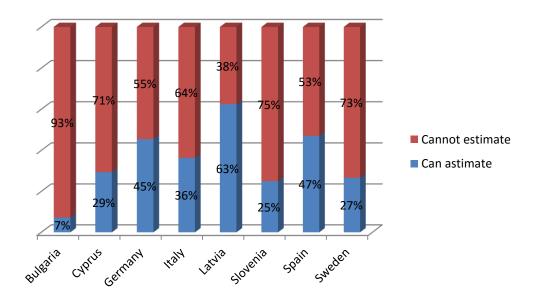




11. How do you include GPP criteria in tender documents?



12. Percentage of GPP in the total number of procurements

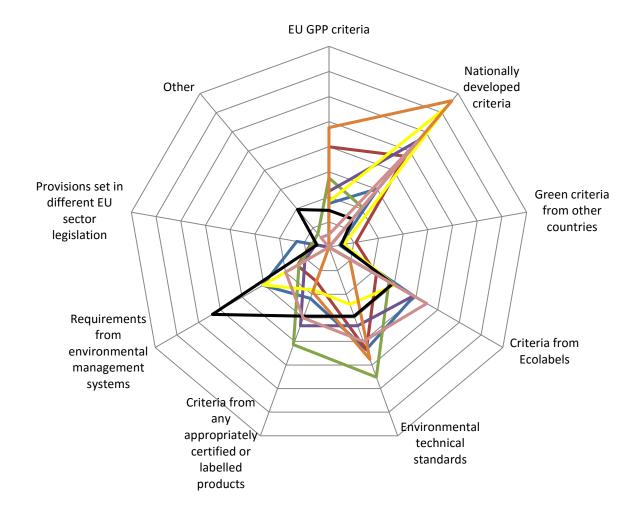






13. What "type" of green/energy effiency requirements do you usually use?

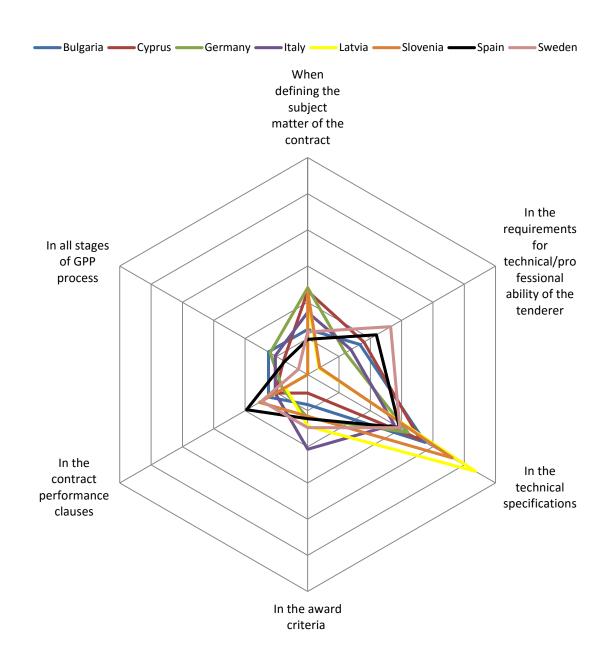








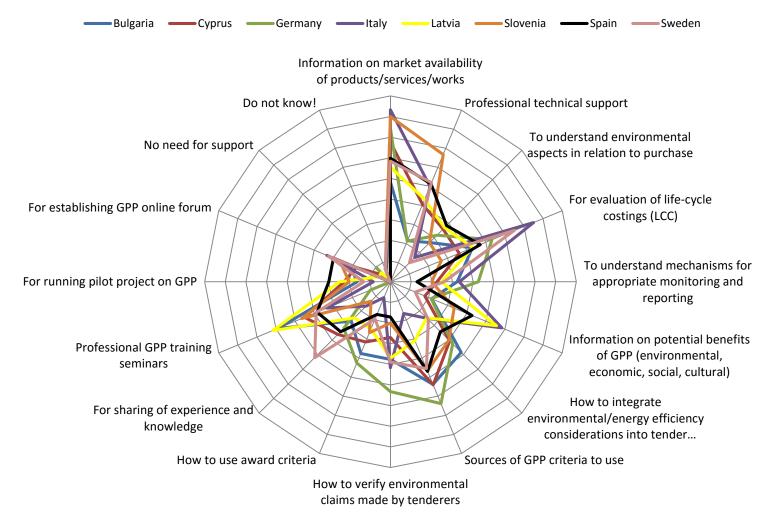
14. In which stages of the procurement process do you usually include the green/energy efficient criteria?







16. What kind of support for the GPP implementation would you need in future?

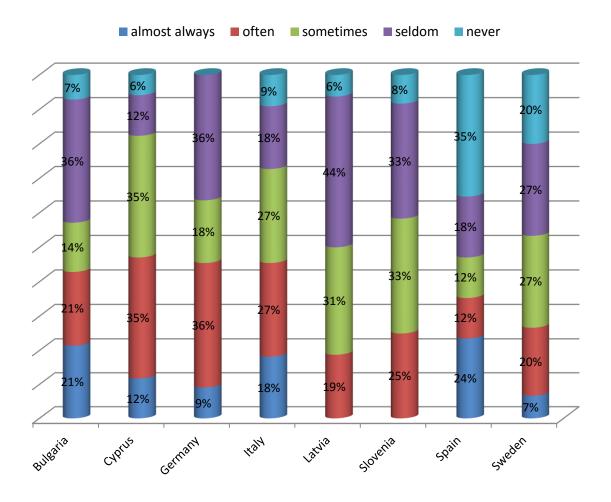






17. During the GPP procurement process, how often are you ...

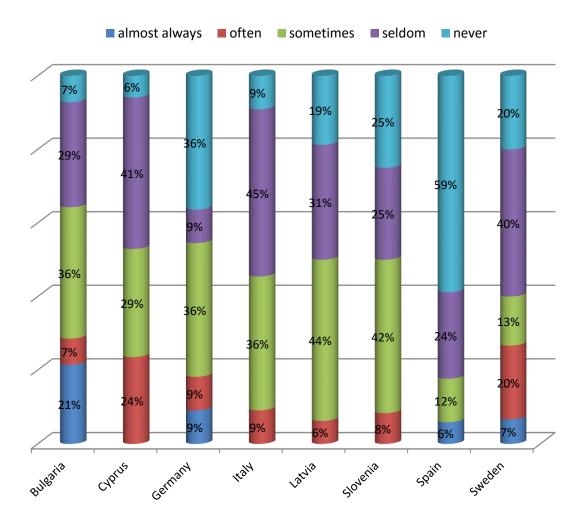
... looking for innovative solutions (public procurement of innovation)







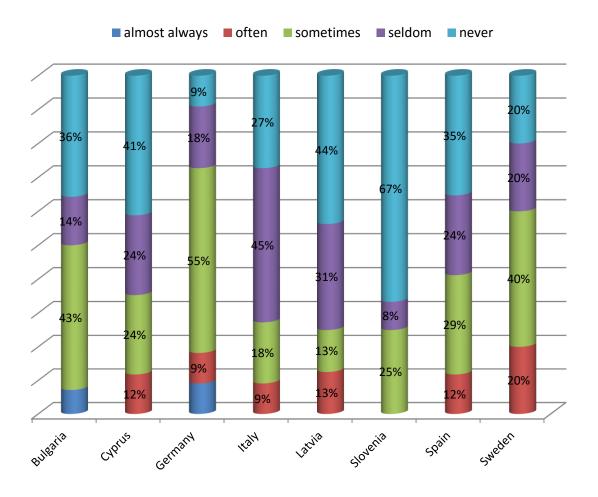
... deciding for pre-commercial procurement







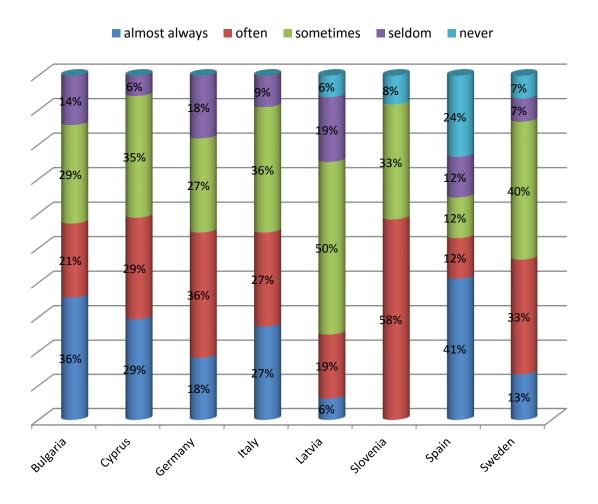
... asking for leasing possibilities







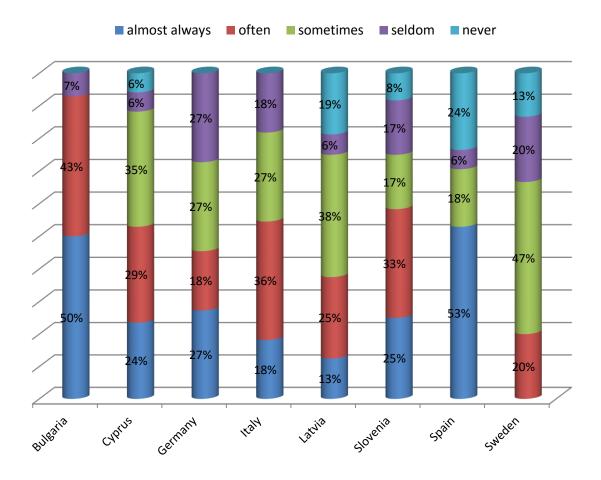
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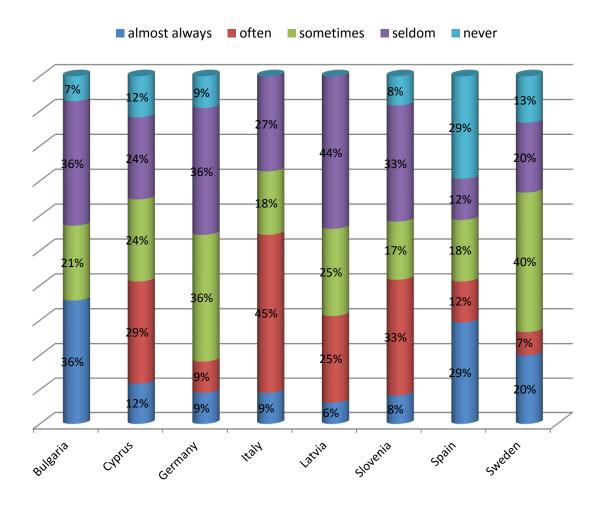
... monitoring contract compliance and execution







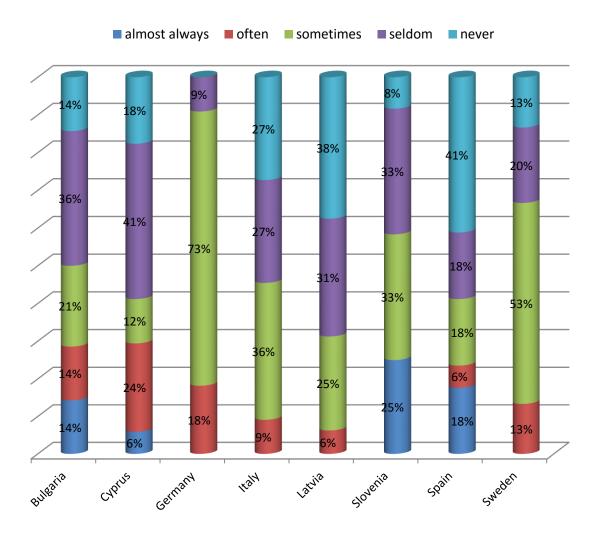
... carrying out market analysis







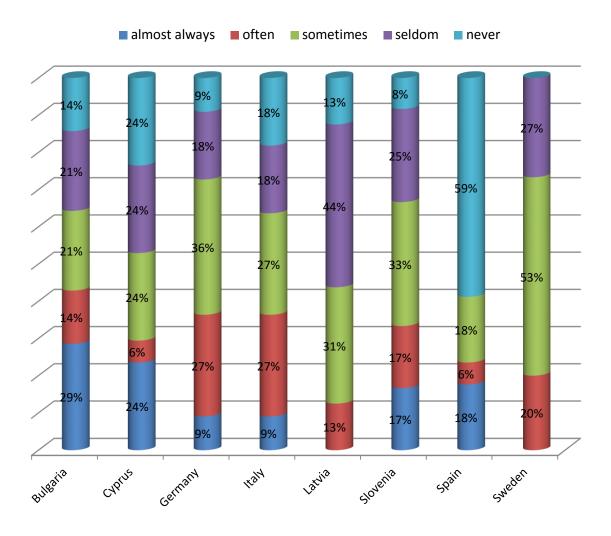
... using life-cycle costing (LCC)







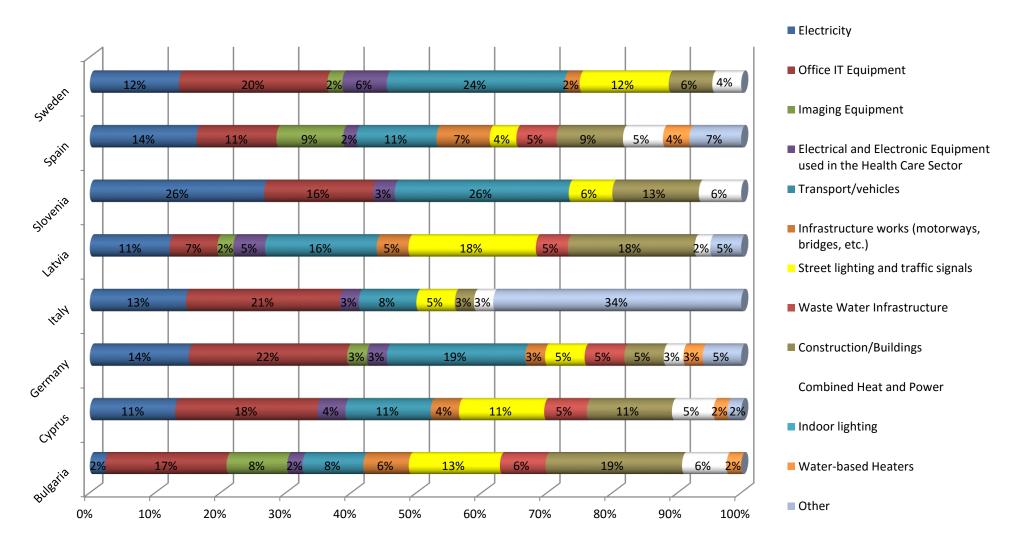
... calculating CO2 and energy savings







18. Listed below are some energy efficient products, services and works. For which of them did you prepare GPP contract in the last 3 years?

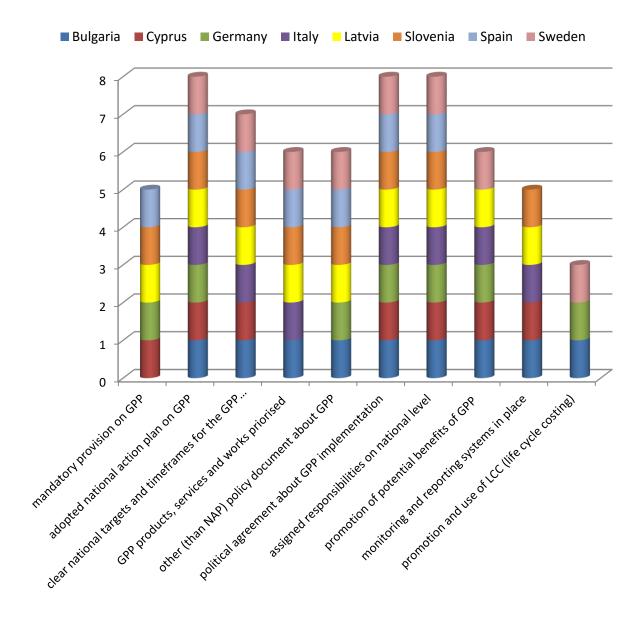






<u>Questionnaire on implementing Green Public Procurement (GPP) for National Partners - Q2</u>

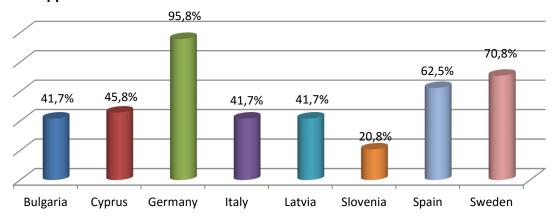
GPP policy framework (YES answers)







National support activities



	BG	CY	DE	IT	LV	SI	ES	SE	Total YES
legal support from responsib. authority	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	7
GPP website	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	6
technic./exp. support for GPP criteria	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	4
regular updating of GPP criteria	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	5
regular newsletters about GPP	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	3
real assessment of needs	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	1
specialized publications about GPP	NO	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO	3
clear guidance and tools for GPP	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES	7
GPP webinars	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	3
platform for exchange of best practices	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	3
helpdesk for procurers	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	3
helpdesk for suppliers	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	3
regular GPP training events	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	6
GPP networking and exchange events	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES	6
specific working groups for GPP	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	4
tender models	NO	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	5
green tender database	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	2
good practice exchange	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	5
pilot GPP projects	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES	7
market analysis	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	1
online green products catalogue	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	4
CO2/energy saving calculator	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	6
life cycle costing (LCC) guidance	NO	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES	4
cost/benefit analyses of GPP	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	3
	10/14	11/13	23/1	10/14	10/14	5/19	15/9	17/7	101
TOTAL	41,7 %	45,8 %	95,8 %	41,7 %	41,7 %	20,8 %	62,5 %	70,8 %	52,6%





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