

Responsible Public Procurement in Denmark

Outline:

The government has the same responsibility as private business.

The Danish Council on Corporate Responsibility's recommendations to the Danish government (2010): The state, the regions and municipalities should in cooperation develop a guide on public procurement and purchasing.

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'The Responsible Purchaser': A webtool for public authorities (2013).

A cooperation between:

- The Ministry of Business and Growth/The Danish Business Authority
- The Ministry of Environment/Environmental Protection Agency
- The Ministry of Finance/Agency for the Modernisation of Public Administration
- Local Government Denmark
- Danish Regions
National Procurement Ltd. Denmark (SKI)



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'The Responsible Purchaser'

Purpose of the initiative:

- Respecting human rights is the right thing to do.
- To help public purchasers to demand social responsibility in public procurement.
- To promote the correct and appropriate use of CSR requirements in public procurement and tendering.
- To lower the administrative barriers associated with complying to CSR requirements for suppliers to the public sector through greater consistency in the content and design of such requirements across the public sector.



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CSR in Public Procurement

Social responsibility in public procurement:

- Environmental and energy requirements
- Social clauses
- Labour clauses
- Ethical contract requirements for their production process, including human and labour rights, environmental protection and anti-corruption.

Challenges

- Complex legal framework:
 - EU Procurement Directives
 - National legal procurement obligations
- Budgetary and financial:
 - Predetermined expectations on the additional costs associated with responsible public procurement
- Little knowledge of the international guidelines and the due diligence process.
- Little knowledge of the Danish NCP



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Where to find the webtool

www.csr-indkob.dk



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