Open contracting as a solution

We invite governments to:

- Publish open data,
- engage stakeholders into monitoring
- to improve policies

To be able to

- boost government capacity to improve procurement policies by strategic use of open data and targeted engagement of stakeholders;
- enable business to participate in public procurement with more business intelligence, using open data and technology solutions and;
- create better conditions for CSOs and academia to perform data-driven public procurement monitoring and create evidence-based policy proposals.
MoU to:
use OPEN DATA to
IMPROVE PROCUREMENT

1. Collaborative & Goal-oriented Design
2. Open data & Tools
3. Monitoring & Feedback
4. Learning & Systemic Change
Duguay, Rauter and Samuels 2019 shows impact of open data on EU TED data set. Significant increase in competition & market entry & decreased sole sourcing.
Better disclosure reduces corruption risks & increases competition

Analysis of 3.5m procurements across Europe shows increased disclosure decreases single bid contracts

Single bid contracts are 7-10% more expensive

Estimated annual price saving for disclosing 5 more items across EU is EUR3-6bn
Who is behind?

WBG + | European Commission | G7 & G20 | OECD | ±30 countries | Ecosystem of DSIs
Open contracting & the EU

eForms (DG GROW)

Contract registers (DG GROW)

Open data portals (DG CONNECT)

OCDS -> eForms mapping

OCDS & contract registers recommendations

OCDS service package

In addition:

- The Publication Office is considering publishing in OCDS
- EU is supporting large data re-use projects, such as DigiWhist, TheyBuyForYou & RECORD
- DG REGIO looking for ways to use OC for Cohesion Spending monitoring
Big questions:

1. How to use the eForms/contract registers implementation opportunity to boost procurement performance?

2. What procurement data should Member States collect, send to TED, publish publicly or keep secret (to protect privacy, commercial secrecy, etc.)?

3. How can governments engage more SMEs and non-governmental stakeholders in procurement and its monitoring?

4. How can better information help promote innovation?

5. Most importantly, how can these efforts translate into better procurement in terms of efficiency, effectiveness, and integrity?
Open contracting: how we can help?

Publish open data, engage stakeholders into monitoring to improve policies

We can help with

OCDS
eForms mapping
Contract register guidance
OC4IDS
Technical helpdesk
Data quality guidance
Resources

Methodologies
Workshops
Examples
Library of 50+ open source tools

Monitoring frameworks
Red Flags guidance
Confidentiality & secrecy guidance
Health guidance
Infrastructure guidance
EU guidance
WTO GPA guidance