

Unlocking the full potential of public procurement of innovation

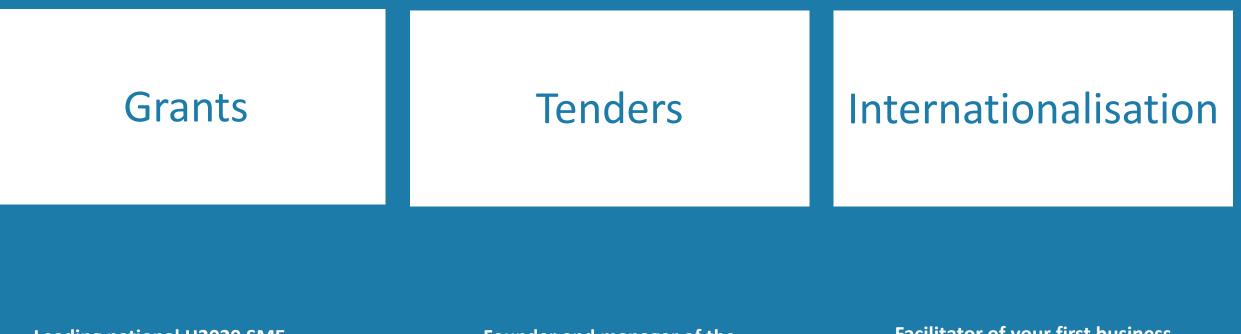
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About PEDAL



Leading national H2020 SME performer in terms of number of approved projects Founder and manager of the TENDERIO platform (one stop shop for public tenders) Facilitator of your first business contacts outside of Europe

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About PRONTO project

Piloting Public Procurement of Innovation (PPI)



Public Procurement of Innovation is THE TRANSFORMATIVE TOOL for EU, MS and Administrations to:

- Operationalise the Recovery, Resilience and Relaunch of Economy
- Modernise States, public administration and its services cost-effectively
- Create new business & jobs + strengthen EU market capacities + compete globally
- Access new and innovative solutions & products not in the radar of/accessible for the PA
- Support & partner with businesses driving the change (resilient, digital, green & sustainable economy & society)
- Improve their policy-making processes, capacities and human resources to fully benefit from funding and market opportunities



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- Encourage cooperation and knowledge sharing between public buyers to promote the use of public procurement;
- Use public procurement as a mechanism to **pilot sustainable innovation** in areas of clean energy, healthcare and regional development
- Link and establish synergies with research and innovation projects funded



Challenges

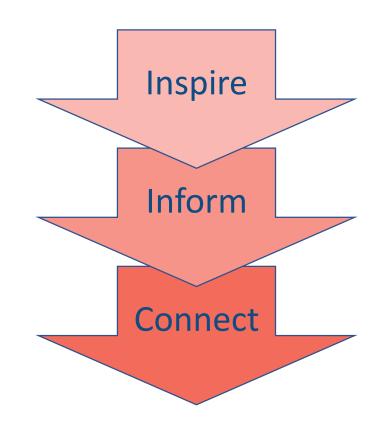
- Lack of a clear and accurate <u>definition</u> of PPI at EU level
- Absence of a clear-cut legal framework at national level
 - Procurement is often treated as a purely financial and administrative task and so is not aligned with broader policy objectives (e.g. SDG, Smart Specialization Strategies, etc.)
- Lack of a well-structured organisation in the procurement departments of public entities
 - Limited human resources, skill gaps, etc.
 - Lack of incentives and motivation of buying innovative solutions from a new company
- Lack of <u>awareness</u> as to the procedures and available tools
 - Confusion, misinterpretation, fear of corruption allegations, etc.
- Lack of <u>cooperation mentality</u> (e.g. ask for support, joint procurements, etc.)
- Lack of available <u>budget</u> for procurement of innovation in most EU MS
- <u>Difficulties for innovative SMEs</u> to be involved in public procurement as direct providers.



Solutions

Inspire, inform and support public buyers in designing, implementing and monitoring PPI procedures.

- 10 training sessions for public procurers at both European and national levels.
- 18 international staff exchanges for public procurers, with the aim of exchanging empirical knowledge and tips regarding PPI practices.
- 10 brokerage events for public procurers and SMEs/large companies at both European and national levels, with the aim of facilitating market consultation and match demand-supply sides.
- 2 PPIs to be launched in Slovakia and Romania
- *Replicate the best practices (12.800 PPIs in 30 countries)*







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