

AFRICAN PUBLIC PROCUREMENT NETWORK KNOWLEDGE CREATION AND SHARING PROGRAM 2024

Introduction: The purpose and objective of this program is to enhance the skills of the public procurement officials of the APPN member countries for an efficient implementation of their respective public procurement systems for better outcomes.

Selection of Topics: The topics selected for this program are based on the understanding acquired during the Third General Assembly in Abidjan held from November 13 to 16 of the possible areas of improvement in public procurement.

Languages: For facilitating communication for the knowledge exchange sessions, and different focus groups, the APPN Member Countries will be divided in the following three groups by language:

Group I (Eastern and Southern Africa Subregional Networks) - English

East Africa Sub-regional Public Procurement Network: Egypt, Libya, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Liberia, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sudan, South Sudan, Tanzania, and Uganda

Southern Africa Sub-regional Public Procurement Network: Botswana, eSwatini, Ghana, the Gambia, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, Zambia and Zimbabwe

Group II (West, North and Central African Subregional Networks) – French

West and North Africa Sub-regional Networks: Algeria, Benin, Burkina Faso, Chad, Comoros, Côte d’Ivoire, Djibouti, Guinea, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Comoros Niger, Senegal, Togo, and Tunisia

Central Africa Sub-regional Public Procurement Network 1: Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Congo, Democratic Republic of Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, and Madagascar

Group III - Portuguese

Central Africa Sub-regional Public Procurement Network 2: Angola, Cape Verde, Guinea-Bissau, Mozambique, and São Tomé & Príncipe

Delivery Method: The program will be delivered virtually during 2024 through regular exchange sessions which will be held separately for three groups listed above, and procurement webinars

which will be delivered in the three languages and will be open to participants from all APPN member countries.

Facilitation: Assign knowledgeable facilitators who can guide the participants through the program. Facilitators should be able to answer questions, provide explanations, and encourage discussion and collaboration among participants.

Resource Persons: Experienced international and regional experts will be identified to deliver the program.

Session Formats: All knowledge exchange sessions will be delivered remotely and will be interactive. The participants will be able to actively engage in discussions, ask questions, share their experiences, and learn from each other. To achieve this purpose the format of the knowledge exchange sessions will be as follows:

Knowledge Exchange Sessions

-) Facilitator: Subregional Coordinator
-) Keynote Speaker: International or Regional Expert
-) Country Presentations: Three countries to be selected from among the member countries of a Group
-) Q&A

Procurement Webinars (English, French and Portuguese)

-) Facilitator: Subregional Coordinator
-) Trainer(s): International or regional expert(s)
-) Q&A

Introductory Procurement Training Program: As a step towards becoming a Procurement e-School, the APPN will launch an introductory procurement training program which will be offered twice in 2024. The program will comprise six sessions which will be delivered online. An advertisement about the program will be -sited on the APPN website. It will invite expression of interest from interested participants. A maximum of 50 participants will be admitted in each training program. Initially, and during the testing phase which will complete in 2024, the program will be free of charge and will be open to interested participants, who can be public officials or private citizens, from all APPN countries. At the end of the testing period, the program design and content will be revisited and redesigned as necessary before its official launch as a revenue generating APPN product. At the completion of each session, participants will receive certificate of completion.

Documentation and Sharing: The knowledge created and captured during the program will be disseminated through the APPN website. All presentations and links of the recordings of the session will be posted on the APPN website for anybody to access and share resources even after the program ends.

Continuous Improvement: The program will be reviewed and improved regularly based on participant feedback and evolving needs. This would ensure that the program remains relevant and valuable over time.

KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE EXCHANGE SESSIONS - 2024

Reference	Description of Session	Target Group	Language	Date of Session	Length	Keynote Speaker
APPN/KE/S1	Oversight of Public procurement. Principles and country experiences	Group I	English	01/11/2024	3 hours	TBD
APPN/KE/S1	“	Group II	French	02/15/2024	3 hours	TBD
APPN/KE/S1	‘	Group III	Portuguese	03/14/2024	3 hours	TBD
APPN/KE/S2	Professionalization of public procurement – legal aspects and skills building	Group I	English	04/18/2024	3 hours	TBD
APPN/KE/S2	“	Group II	French	05/16/2024	3 hours	TBD
APPN/KE/S2	“	Group III	Portuguese	06/13/2024	3 hours	TBD
APPN/KE/S3	Green Procurement – how does it work?	Group I	English	07/11/2024	3 hours	TBD
APPN/KE/S3	“	Group II	French	08/15/2024	3 hours	TBD
APPN/KE/S3	‘	Group III	Portuguese	09/12.2024	3 hours	TBD
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Standard Knowledge Exchange Program

-)] Opening Remarks by Network Chair and/or Technical Secretary
-)] Opening remarks by Facilitator (Sub-regional Network Coordinator)
-)] Keynote Speech – 15 to 20 minutes
-)] Country Presentations – 15 minutes each
-)] Q&A
-)] Closing remarks by Facilitator

J Closing remarks by Network Chair and/or Technical Secretary

PROCUREMENT WEBINARS PROGRAM 2024

Reference	Description of Session	Target Group	Language	Date of Session	Length
APPN/PW/1	Use of new and Innovative Technologies for public procurement	All interested.	Eng/Fr/Por	TBD	3 hours
APPN/PW/2	Importance of supply side for public procurement – how to improve it?	All interested	Eng/Fr/Por	TBD	3 hours
APPN/PW/3	Harmonization of Public Procurement Laws and Regulations – EU Model	All interested	Eng/Fr/Por	TBD	3 hours
APPN/PW/4	Importance of Public Procurement Data Collection and Analysis	All interested	Eng/Fr/Por	TBD	3 hours
APPN/PW/5	Governance – Ethics, Integrity, and accountability.	All interested	Eng/Fr/Por	TBD	3 hours
APPN/PW/6	Contractual dispute resolution mechanisms	All interested	Eng/Fr/Por	TBD	3 hours

Standard Procurement Webinar Program

-) Opening Remarks by Network Chair and/or Technical Secretary
-) Opening remarks by Facilitator (Sub-regional Network Coordinator)
-) Resource Person(s) - Trainer
-) Q&A
-) Closing remarks by Facilitator
-) Closing remarks by Network Chair and/or Technical Secretary

2024 First Quarter
E-GP FOCUS GROUPS' MEETINGS

Reference	Description of Session	Date of Session	Target Group	Language	Facilitator
EGP/FG1		January 15	Group I	English	Focus Group Leader
EGP/FG2		June 15	Group II	French	“
EGP/FG3		October 15	Group III	Portuguese	‘

2024 Third Quarter
PROFESSIONALIZATION OF PUBLIC PROCUREMENT FOCUS GROUPS' MEETINGS

Reference	Description of Session	Date of Session	Target Group	Language	Facilitator
PG/FG1		February 15	Group I	English	Focus Group Leader
PG/FG2		August 15	Group II	French	“
PG/FG3		October 15	Group III	Portuguese	‘

**APPN PROCUREMENT E-SCHOOL
INTRODUCTORY PROCUREMENT TRAINING PROGRAM**

Modules	Session contents	Session 1 (English) Delivery Dates	Session 2 (French) Delivery Dates	Length	Trainers
1	Introduction to Procurement	February 6	May 7	3 hours	TBD
2	Procurement Cycle and Methods	February 6	May 7	3 hours	TBD
3	Procurement Planning	February 7	May 8	3 hours	TBD
4	Procurement	February 7	May 8	3 hours	
5	Bidding Documents, Bid Opening, Evaluation, Contract Award	February 8	May 9	3 hours	TBD
6	Contract Management	February 8	May 9	3 hours	TVD

**AFRICAN PUBLIC PROCUREMENT NETWORK (APPN)
PROCUREMENT E-SCHOOL**

INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTERESTS IN A SIX-MODULE THREE DAY ON-LINE GENERIC PROCUREMENT TRAINING COURSE IN FEBRUARY AND MAY 2025

The APPN will hold two six-module three-day on-line generic procurement training courses in February and May 2024. The courses are open to all interested participants from APPN Member Countries. The course will be free of charge.

The course will be held online in February (English) and May (French) 2024. Each session comprises six introductory modules and will be suitable for beginners. Only 50 candidates will be selected for each class on a first come first serve basis.

In your expression of interest, please provide your full name, designation, and name of the organization/firm you work for or if a student please indicate the discipline you are pursuing. Also, include your full address,

Email address: