

APPN Knowledge Creation and Sharing Program 2024
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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:

English - Eastern and Southern Africa Subregional Networks

East Africa Sub-Regional Public Procurement Network: Egypt, Libya, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Liberia, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, Somalia, 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

French - West, North and Central African Subregional Networks

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

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.

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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 the concerned linguistic group.
-) Q&A

Procurement Webinars (English, French and Portuguese)

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

Focus Groups on e-GP, Professionalization of Public Procurement, Sustainable Procurement and MAPs

-) Each Group meets three times a year.
-) Facilitator: Group Leader
-) Participants: All Group members

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

Description of Session	Language	Date Planned	Length	Keynote Speaker	Sharing Countries	Facilitator
Oversight of Public procurement. Principles and country experiences	English	01/11/2024	3 hours	Edwin Muhumuza, OCP	Kenya Togo South Africa	Subregional Coordinator
	French	02/15/2024	3 hours	Bernard Abeille Consultant	Senegal Ethiopia Mauritius	Subregional Coordinator
	Portuguese	05/09/2024	3 hours	Joao de Alameida Consultant	Angola Tanzania Tunisia	Subregional Coordinator
Sustainable Procurement Practices - Exploring strategies for integrating sustainability into procurement processes, focusing on environmental and social impacts.	French	06/06/2024	3 hours	Ms. Rana Rizkallah Lebanon	Côte d'Ivoire Mali Tunisia	Subregional Coordinator
	Portuguese	06/27/2024	3 hours	Mr. Amilcar Bilale Regional Procurement Coordinator African Development Bank	Mozambique Angola Cabo Verde	Subregional Coordinator
	English	07/18/2024	3 hours	Alastair Merrill of Merrill Scotland	Mauritius Nigeria Uganda	Subregional Coordinator
Fraud Detection and Anti-corruption in Procurement” - Tools and practices for preventing fraud and enhancing transparency in procurement.	English	08/29/2022	3 hours	TBD	Ethiopia Botswana Ghana	Subregional Coordinator
	French	09/26/2022	3 hours	TBD	Senegal Mozambique Mauritius	Subregional Coordinator
	Portuguese	10/24/2024	3 hours	TBD	Angola Djibouti Tunisia	Subregional Coordinator

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Procurement Law and Ethics” - A review of the latest regulations and ethical standards affecting procurement in Africa.	English	08/29/2022	3 hours	TBD	Ethiopia Botswana Ghana	Subregional Coordinator
	French	09/26/2022	3 hours	TBD	Senegal Mozambique Mauritius	Subregional Coordinator
	Portuguese	10/24/2024	3 hours	TBD	Angola Djibouti Tunisia	Subregional Coordinator

Standard Knowledge Exchange Program

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

PROCUREMENT WEBINARS PROGRAM 2024

Description of Session	Target Audience	Language	Date of Session	Length	Trainer(s)	Facilitator
Use of new and Innovative Technologies for public procurement	All interested.	Eng/Fr/Por	08/07	3 hours	Knut Leipold Lead Procurement Specialist and Dr. Rajesh Shakya, Senior Procurement Specialist, the World Bank	EC Coordinator
Importance of supply side for public procurement – how to improve it?	All interested.	Eng/Fr/Por	TBD	3 hours	TBD	Subregional Coordinator
Harmonization of Public Procurement Laws and Regulations – EU Model	All interested.	Eng/Fr/Por	TBD	3 hours	TBD	Subregional Coordinator
Governance – Ethics, Integrity, and accountability.	All interested	Eng/Fr/Por	TBD	3 hours	TBD	Subregional Coordinator
Contractual dispute resolution mechanisms	All interested.	Eng/Fr/Por	TBD	3 hours	TBD	Subregional Coordinator

Standard Procurement Webinar Program

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

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2024 First Quarter
E-GP FOCUS GROUPS' MEETINGS

Description of Session	Date of Session	Language	Facilitator
		English	Focus Group Leader
		French	“
		Portuguese	‘

2024 Second Quarter
PROFESSIONALIZATION OF PUBLIC PROCUREMENT FOCUS GROUPS' MEETINGS

Description of Session	Date of Session	Language	Facilitator
		English	Focus Group Leader
		French	“
		Portuguese	‘

2024 TBD
SUSTAINABLE PROCUREMENT FOCUS GROUPS' MEETINGS

Description of Session	Date of Session	Language	Facilitator
		English	Focus Group Leader
		French	“
		Portuguese	‘

2024 TBD
MAPS FOCUS GROUPS' MEETINGS

Description of Session	Date of Session	Language	Facilitator
		English	Focus Group Leader
		French	“
		Portuguese	‘

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APPN PROCUREMENT E-SCHOOL
INTRODUCTORY PROCUREMENT TRAINING PROGRAM – Dates TBD)

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