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1. Introduction

Brief introduction and description of Circular Economy and Green Public Procurement in the European Union and introduction to CE-PRINCE project framework

2. Context, research data and analysis

2.1. Existing European thematic policies, national and regional

Overview of European policies supporting GPP (EU Green Deal, European Strategy of Circular Economy and the new circular economy action plan,other wider regulatory frameworks) and introduction to voluntary GPP criteria in the European legislation.

Then, description of national strategies (also local where applicable) on green public procurement as they are analysed in the initial assessment of the project (project countries only).

Summary of the challenges set by the Central Europe Interreg Programme that the CE-PRINCE project wants to address.

2.2. Findings of the Initial Assessments on the GPP implementation at public and private levels

Recap of main barriers, drivers and opportunities emerged from the Initial Assessments on both private and public side.

2.3. Focus on the 4 key sectors: agri-food, constructions, manufacturing, and tourism-related services and goods

Starting from the economic data, this section summarises the main feature of each sector (e.g. their impact on the EU economy as % on EU GDP), motivating their importance within the project in terms of value, potential, and importance, specifically in terms of circular economy, bioeconomy, GPP. green transition, local production context and criteria of approval/editing etc

- Agrifood
- Construction/building
- Manufacturing
- Tourism—related services and goods.

3. Strategic objectives

General objectives for Central Europe Area inspired by European law on Circular Economy / GPP, taking into account the challenges set for Central Europe and building on the specific results of the initial assessment.

Examples:

- Facilitate the growth in the adoption of C/GPP practices among partner countries, leading to a positive impact on environmental sustainability
- Contribute to the development of C/GPP criteria that can be uniformly applied across project regions
- Promote the enhancement of skills and competencies of officials and stakeholders in sustainability and circular procurement.
- Promote and foster collaboration among business (within private sector)
- Enhance dialogue / foster collaboration between public bodies and private sectors

4. Specific objectives

A list of specific objectives that translate into actionable steps the general objectives by overcoming barriers, and leveraging on drivers and opportunities outlined in the initial assessment.

Specific Objectives will be tailored separately for the public and the private sectors.

es. improve PA understanding of the technical aspects of products/services and market trends

5. Means of implementation and realization

Brief introduction to the contents that will be included in the two actions plans for the public sector and private sector (including list of actions, timeline etc.)

Finally, synergies with other project, initiatives, and networks will be described distinguishing three different phase of the project: 1) setting up of Circular Criteria in public tenders, 2) development of capacity building activities with Public Administrations and Private companies, and 3) Advocacy strategies.