



18th November 2024



Save the Date & Call for Expression of Interest

## European Commission training workshop on socially responsible public procurement (SRPP) for public authorities and social economy entities.

Join the WeBuySocialEU training workshop in Valletta, on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November

SRPP encourages public buyers to look beyond the price of products and services by also considering how they are produced, sourced, and delivered. **Taking part in this European Commission training destined to public authorities and social economy entities (SEE) will help you gain the expertise needed to be a key player in socially responsible public procurement within your organisation.**

- **For civil servants or public authority employees:** learn how to design tendering procedures that are accessible to the social economy and that include social aspects; Learn from best practice examples from other countries; learn how to include different types of social considerations across the procurement process, as well as how to monitor their execution; improve the knowledge of social economy entities in Malta, how and in which markets they operate.
- **For social economy entities (SEE):** learn how to compete for public tenders that include social considerations; learn how to form consortia among SEEs and or with conventional businesses, or to participate in tenders as subcontractors.

If you already know the training is for you and want to reserve a place in the programme, please [express your interest here](#).

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## Want to know more about the training and why you should attend?

To champion the integration of social considerations in public procurement, the European Commission (Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship, and SMEs (DG GROW), in collaboration with the Executive Agency for Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (EISMEA)) initiated in 2023 a knowledge-strengthening effort across 12 EU countries. The European Association for Innovation in Local Development (AEIDL) and its partners (Diesis Network, ICLEI Europe, and Reves Network) are overseeing the training part of this initiative under the service contract, 'Training and Awareness-raising Activities in Socially Responsible Public Procurement' (EISMEA/2022/OP/0014). ICLEI Europe is hosting this European Commission's training initiative in Malta which is coordinated locally by the Local Councils' Association.

You are being informed of this training because your profile matches the target audience for the workshop which aims to empower 60 individuals from contracting authorities, procurement experts, and social economy entities, thereby strengthening their capacity to seamlessly implement and access public procurement practices aligned with the principles of the European Directive.

## What to expect

- A full-day training programme tailored to your needs
- Proactive and interactive learning modules as well as networking sessions
- Expert-led sessions and peer-learning opportunities
- In-person training only, with lunch and refreshments provided
- Certificate of Participation upon completion of the full day training

## How to join

Respond to the [Call for Expression of Interest](#) by November 1st for a chance to participate (first comes, first served). You will then be informed via email of your selection to attend the training within 2 weeks of submission. ***Don't miss this chance to contribute to smart, sustainable, and inclusive growth in Malta and Europe!***

The WeBuySocial team,  
On behalf of the European Commission

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Should you have any questions about this initiative, please contact [srpp@aeidl.eu](mailto:srpp@aeidl.eu).

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