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16 December 2021 • 9.00 – 11.00 CET

OECD Programme on Public Procurement and Responsible Business Conduct

### Responsible public procurement: Evidence for impact

*A virtual symposium on the impact of responsible public procurement*

**Capturing, demonstrating and increasing impact is strategic.** Over the course of the COVID-19 pandemic, spending needs have increased and have exacerbated budgetary pressures further. Governments are paying greater attention to the **impact** of their spending.

It is particularly challenging to find evidence of impact in strategic approaches such as incorporating responsible business conduct and risk-based due diligence into public procurement.

The OECD has developed two policy briefs on the question of impact and responsible public procurement, sharing early drafts for feedback:

- The first brief, on the **economic benefits of responsible public procurement**, conceptualises the measurable impact of RBC in public procurement.
- The second provides **good practice examples of how to promote RBC in public procurement** with more impact.

**The OECD invites interested parties to join this discussion on how to improve and track impact of responsible public procurement.**

#### Focus questions

- What are the **challenges in understanding the impact** of measures to incorporate RBC objectives in public procurement?
- What are the **ways to evidence the effects of responsible public procurement**?
- What are the **arguments to support further action** by policy makers on RBC in public procurement?

#### Objectives

- Contribute to the finalisation of policy briefs, soliciting feedback on the drafts
- Cap the two-year [OECD Programme on Public Procurement and Responsible Business Conduct](#), providing an opportunity to reflect on the overall learnings of the programme and ambitions for the future

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