



## Procurement Graduate Programme in New Zealand



Public Procurement Principle: **Capacity**



Procurement Stage: **All stages**



Audience: **Policy maker, Procuring entity, Civil society**

### Description

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The Procurement Graduate Programme in New Zealand aims at developing future procurement leaders in the country. During the 2-year development programme, interns will be placed at 3-4 different government agencies in New Zealand, which allow them not only to work on interesting and high-values procurement across different sectors (ICT, infrastructure, health, etc) but also to gain a wide network of experienced procurement professionals.

The Programme assists interns in improving professional skills through mentoring, networking events and training. The Programme is open to a recent graduate or a student in the final year of study. Since its starting in 2014, 34 interns have completed the Programmes. The Programme contributes to narrowing down the shortage of procurement officials in the public sector, creating a structured pathway into the profession for graduates, and raising procurement's profile as a viable career option amongst university students

Source: OECD (2019), [Improving Lithuania's Public Procurement System: Component 1 – implementation of professionalisation and certification frameworks](#), OECD Publishing, Paris

