



National Research Centres (NRC) are the main producers of public R&D results including patents.

Governments spent through public procurement around 15% GDP in most countries. Why not to use Public Procurement as an instrument to transfer science results to Society?

The creation of Living Labs on Public Procurement of Innovation aims to foster the use of innovation procurement as an instrument to transfer science results to private companies providing to public sector.

In the Innovation Procurement Living Lab (LLab) the participants will identify challenges of public procurers that can be achieved developing new products and solutions based on NRC's patents and other scientific results.

Private companies will be the responsible for developing those solutions and building the bridge between Science and markets.

# LIVING LAB ON PUBLIC PROCUREMENT OF INNOVATION (PPI)

## WHAT IS THE LIVING LAB ON PPI?

The platform for meeting and matching interests between Public procurers (buyers), Private companies (sellers) and NRC (patents owners) to generate concrete ideas that can be materialised in potential public procurement of innovation (PPI) projects.

- It is based on a recurrent and open model of exploration and co-generation of ideas and projects, where any entity with interest in PPI can participate.
- It is an instrument aimed at finding and exploring the best ideas to be transformed into specific PPI pilot proposals.
- It is mainly focused to use PPI as an instrument to transfer results from public R&D Centres.



Spain, Italy, Jordan, Tunisia and Egypt working together in the creation of five national Llabs and putting together a Mediterranean Living Lab with key actors from each Country.

## AN INSTRUMENT ALIGNED WITH THE EUROPEAN GREEN DEAL

The LLab work will be mainly focused in sectors and activities related with environment and digital transformation in areas such as waste treatment, water management, energy efficiency, clean energy, ICT environmental solutions and health.

## WHAT KIND OF ENTITIES CAN PARTICIPATE AMONG THE NRCS?

### PUBLIC PROCURERS:

Agents at all three levels of the public sector: national, regional and local:

- Ministerial departments, public business entities, public agencies, city councils, etc., with experience on PPI, open PPI processes or interest in improving public services through PPI in the strategic areas.
- Other public entities with no experience in PPI, but which depending on their competences and strategic areas are likely to become public procurers of innovation.

### SELLERS OF TECHNOLOGICAL SOLUTIONS:

private companies with the capacity to develop TRL4 to TRL9 products and solutions from patents:

- Large companies.
- SMEs.
- Start-ups and new technology-based companies.

### NATIONAL RESEARCH CENTRES:

The NRC will be represented by the Technology Transfer Offices (TTOs), that might mobilize diverse research groups and researchers according to the challenges identified by public procurers and private companies.

## HOW IT WORKS?

- A Launching of the living lab, webinar meeting.
- An annual roadmap with the identification of objectives for each year.
- Four quarterly virtual meetings per year and one meeting to present the results at the end of each year.
- Sectorial roundtables adapted to the challenges and needs identified by the participants.
- Technical assistance for the matching of patents, solutions, and public needs to identify concrete PPIs to implement in the next three years.
- A capacitation programme to those public procurers and private sellers involved in pilot PPIs.
- Technical assistance to those public procurers involved in pilot PPIs along all the tendering process.

## HOW TO PARTICIPATE?

The formalization to join the living lab on PPI shall be done through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). It is a document containing declarations of willingness to act with a common objective, without legally committing either party.

The PPI LLab is open to all interested entities and organization, with free entry and exit. The agreement does not have to commit or oblige any member to participate in future PPI pilots or other Lab activities.

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