



Belém Declaration on Sustainable Public Procurement

The representatives of national institutions in charge of public procurement and subnational governments undersigned,

(Re)affirming United Nations General Assembly's resolution 70/1 of 25 September 2015, entitled "Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development", and our shared commitment to promote public procurement practices that are sustainable, in accordance with national policies and priorities (Sustainable Development Goal 12.7),

Recognizing that sustainable public procurement (SPP) has the power to contribute to the eradication of poverty, including extreme poverty, to shape markets and to advance solutions in alignment with the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the Paris Agreement adopted thereunder, as well as with Nationally Determined Contributions,

Acknowledging that government spending makes up 13–20% of GDP (World Bank 2020)¹ and generates roughly 15% of global greenhouse gas emissions (World Economic Forum 2022)², and that public procurement represents a key driver of economic activity, social inclusion and environmental impact,

Encouraging governments to embed sustainability into purchasing decisions, to accelerate the transition to sustainable economies, while promoting innovation, resilience, and equity, as well as delivering essential public services,

Commit to:

- **Integrate** sustainability criteria into public procurement policies and practices;
- **Scale** sustainable public procurement by increasingly including more categories of government spending and fostering local markets for emerging technologies with an emphasis on high-impact sectors;
- **Foster** inclusive engagement to ensure that diverse voices, perspectives, and communities are actively involved in shaping equitable and effective sustainability solutions;
- **Collaborate** across borders and jurisdictions to share knowledge, tools, and experiences in order to build institutional capacity to advance the SPP agenda and track its impact.

Put forward in Belém do Pará, Brazil, at the Thirtieth United Nations Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP30), and open for subsequent endorsement by national and subnational governments.

¹ <https://www.worldbank.org/en/news/feature/2020/03/23/global-public-procurement-database-share-compare-improve>

² <https://www.weforum.org/publications/green-public-procurement-catalysing-the-net-zero-economy/>