

National Action Plan for Green Public Procurement (GPP)

Minimum environmental criteria for public tenders

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ITALY, some data

- ❑ N. of contracting authorities: around 30,000.
- ❑ n. of central purchasing bodies: 34, the biggest one being Consip.
- ❑ Public expenditure above 40.000 Euros: € 110 bn. in 2016 and almost € 36 bn. during first quarter of 2017*.
- ❑ public procurement spent / GDP ratio: around 10%




Steps from a voluntary to a mandatory GPP framework

2003- mandatory procurement of products and materials with a **minimum recycled content for at least 30% of the total need** (exhaust oils, plastic, glass, wood, tissue products, compost, bitumen)



2003 - Life project “GPP infoNET”, **Province of Cremona**: network of contracting authorities and economic operators, a GPP forum and a GPP helpdesk, guidelines to put in place GPP politics and practices



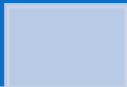
2003 **Province of Turin** – APE project: definition of GPP environmental criteria for several PGs, a network of contracting authorities that apply those criteria, and monitoring system

Steps from a voluntary to a mandatory GPP framework

2003 cooperation CONSIP- MATTM, Italian national purchasing body starts putting GPP criteria in its public tenders.



2004 - GPP background document- three key issues: dangerous substances; waste, energy



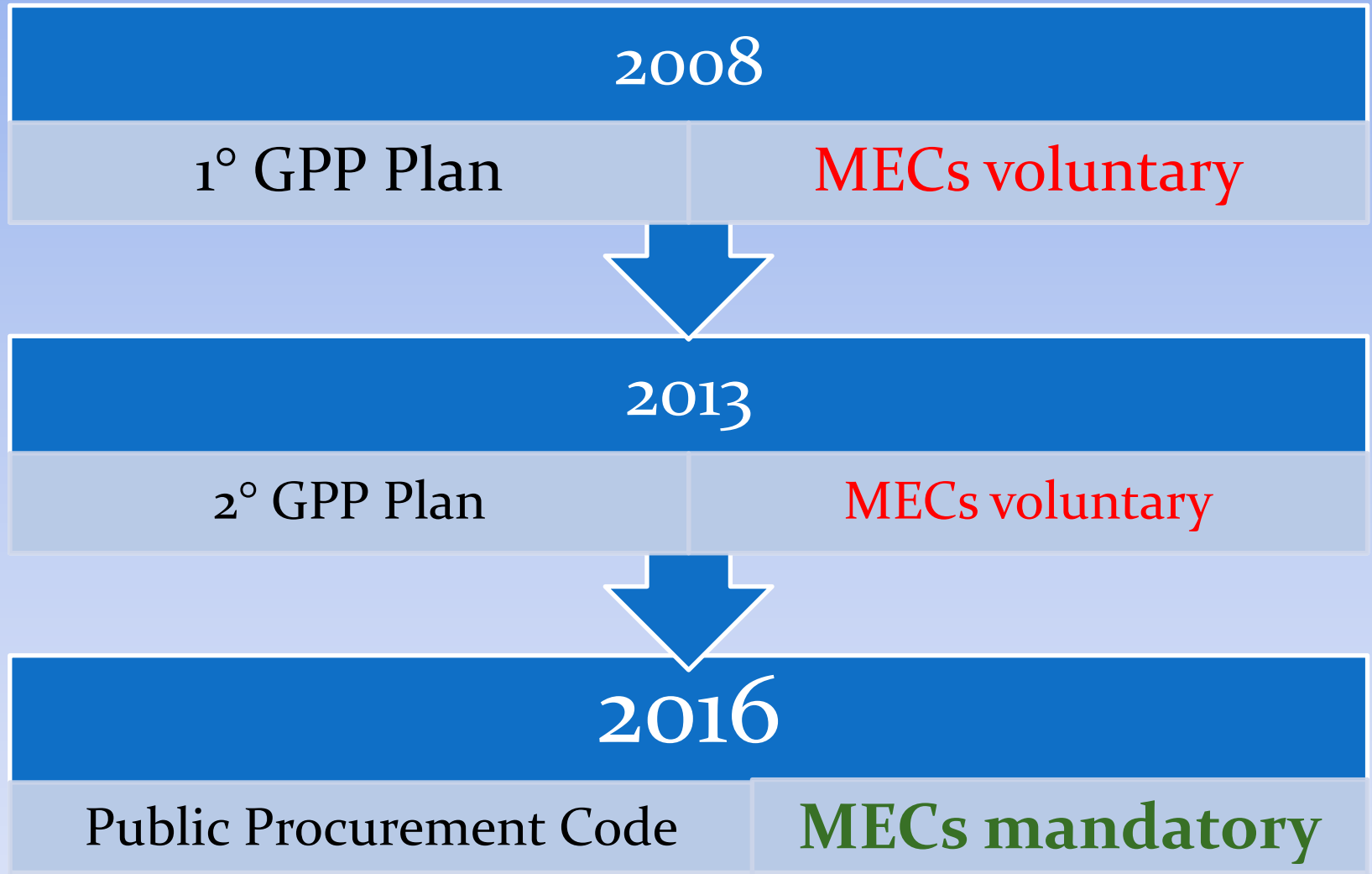
2008 adoption of the GPP National Action Plan and starting the definition of Minimum Environmental Criteria

Legal sources

Legislative Decree 18 April 2016, no. 50 Public Contracts Code

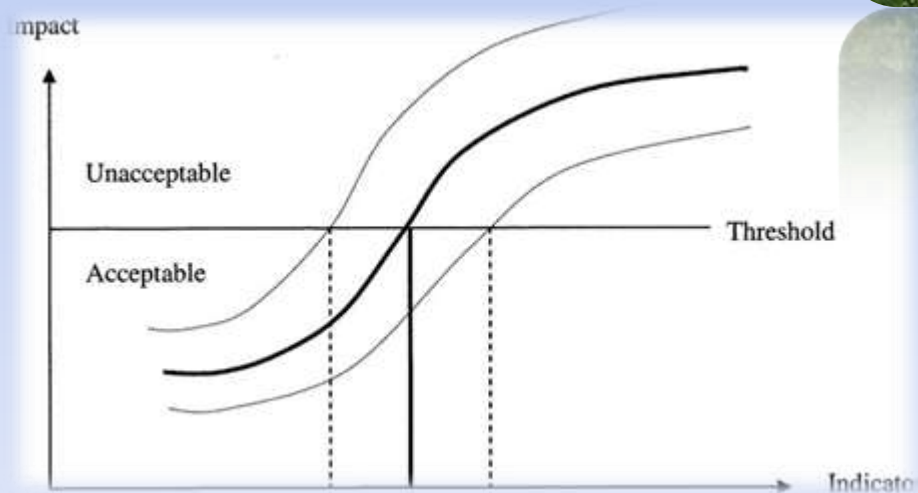
Art. 34 (Energy and Environmental Sustainability Criteria): technical specifications and contract clauses are mandatory; award criteria must be taken into account.

GPP policy in Italy



Minimum environmental criteria

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QUESTION IS:**



Content and structure of CAMs

General data

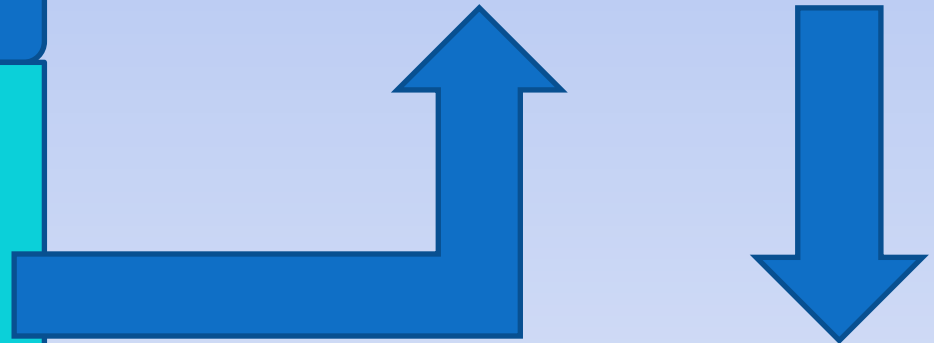
- Relevant legislation
- Analysis and reduction of needs

Environmental criteria

- a. Object of the contract
- b. Candidate selection
- c. Technical specifications
- d. Award criteria
- e. Contractual clauses

❖ Only 1 level of criteria – they are in some cases ambitious as the comprehensive criteria of GPP toolkit in some cases as core criteria

Verification: Test Methods and Documentation



| ANNO | CAM VIGENTI |
|-------------|--|
| 2011 | Catering |
| 2012 | Energy services for buildings; Transport and cars; Cleaning services and products |
| 2013 | Copy paper (review); Management of public green areas; office electronic equipment (review); Public lighting |
| 2014 | Municipal waste management service; printer cartridge and toner |
| 2015 | Urban furniture |
| 2016 | incontinence products; sanitation for healthcare facilities and supply of detergent products |
| 2017 | Buildings (review); indoor furniture (review), Textiles products (review) |

Links between EU environmental strategies and MECs

| Strategies | MECs |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Energy efficiency and climate | IT (computers, printers, e.g.); Public lighting; energy services for buildings; public transport; Buildings |
| Circular economy; closing the loop | Indoor and urban furniture; toners and cartridges; paper; waste management; catering; Management of public green areas; buildings; Roads |
| Dangerous substances | Almost all MECs, in particular, textiles, paper, cleaning products. |

Links between Circularity and MECs

| Circular economy principles | Criteria |
|---|--|
| <p>Preserve and enhance natural capital;</p> <p>Optimise resource yields;</p> <p>Closing the loop;</p> <p>Foster system effectiveness</p> | <p>Ecodesign for buildings; modularity; Recyclability; Reusability; Min % Content of recycled materials variable for each material; Reduced dangerous substances; Energy efficiency Water saving Enhancing building sustainability of the project and the whole building performance through building environmental schemes. Pushing on product labels</p> |

problems and solutions

Information

- Newsletter
- GPP web site
- Meetings with stakeholders

problems and solutions

Training needed

- National Operational Programme on Governance and Institutional Capacity 2014-2020.
- Agreement with Regions dedicated to share best practices in training and supporting activities with economic operators
- NSPA: training for senior officials to become experts on public procurement: a module is dedicated on GPP.

problems and solutions

Technical assistance requests

- technical assistance one to one for CA, economic operators, conformity assessment bodies
- The GPP help desk managed an increased number of questions answered about MECs (mail, phone calls or formal letter); FAQ published on website

problems and solutions

Monitoring
necessary

- The National Anticorruption Authority have to monitor MEC application: : Meeting and a coordination among regions is scheduled.

opportunities

Business for Environment

- Many market actors are having benefits from MECs implementation
- Environmentally friendly business
- Innovation
- Spreading Information among public authorities by the participants in the tenders

Today's activity on the Minimum Environmental Criteria and on the GPP/SCP NAP

2017

- A revision of some Minimum Environmental Criteria (MECs) has been carried out.
- definition of new MECs for other Product Groups
- Shoes MECs, Services for public lighting.
- Revised GPP NAP

2018

- Roads MECs
- Building MECs review and Service for building maintenance
- SCP NAP with focus on Circularity and supply chain

Thank you for your attention

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