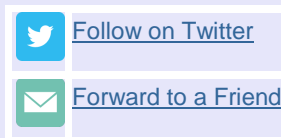


Our June 2013 Newsletter has the latest news from SPCE, what we're up to at the moment and guidance and information from the sector.

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SUSTAINABLE PROCUREMENT CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE



NSPPP 1 Day Module

SPCE is pleased to announce that we will be able to further fund the NSPPP training on sustainable procurement.

This will be offered as a 1-day training workshop or a 1.5 days workshop to cover the subject in more depth.

A half-day workshop will also be available for those institutions that only wish to receive the Module 1 Introduction to Sustainable Procurement.

Latest News From SPCE

Here at the SPCE we have been working on a number of projects to help promote sustainable procurement in the HE sector including:

- Facilitating the NSPPP training
- Training institutions on the flexible framework
- Working alongside regional purchasing consortia on a number of national frameworks
- Reviewing current good practice documents and tools

If you would like to know more about any of these, please visit our website www.spce.ac.uk or [contact us](#).

Flexible Framework Support

We are currently developing some options for supporting institutions with progress against the Flexible Framework and the principles thereof. These will include half day workshops and guidance as well as e-learning options/programmes. We have recently issued surveys via the English regional consortia. If you haven't responded and wish to provide us with your preferences, please contact Lisa Pickup: L.pickup@leeds.ac.uk in the SPCE team.

The workshops will be aimed at Flexible Framework Levels 1 and 2

These modules will be available free of charge to institutions for a limited period. For further information about what the Module covers please visit our website <http://spce.ac.uk/training-and-development/>

Those interested in booking a workshop should contact Lisa Pickup in the SPCE office - l.pickup@leeds.ac.uk, detailing which type of workshop you would require.

together, and Level 3. The e-learning modules will be up to Level 2. The workshops and e-learning will be available free of charge for a limited period, with an initial restriction on the free e-learning to one per institution. Further details will be available soon.

Wrap Sustainable Procurement: e-Learning

WRAP have developed a range of e-learning modules for sustainable procurement. There is a basic Introduction to Sustainable Procurement then five commodity specific modules: Construction and Major Refurbishment Projects, Furniture, Information, Communication and Technology (ICT), Re-use and Remanufacturing, Textiles.

These are simple to follow and free to use online modules which offer procurement practitioners the tools and knowledge to assess their own procurement processes,

Further details can be found via

<http://sd.defra.gov.uk/advice/public/nsppp/sustainable-procurement/>. You will need to register with the WRAP on-line portal to access the modules, details of which are also available from the above link.



Commodity Code Risk Assessment Tool

We have been working with the University of Edinburgh to further develop the old AUPO Commodity Code Risk



Case Studies

NWUPC have provided some case studies from Keele University, University of Manchester, Edge Hill University and University of Salford about ventilation and cooling, recycling, energy



CIPS Sustainability Index

CIPS have recently launched their Sustainability Index. This is an independent, cross-sector means of benchmarking suppliers'

Assessment Tool.

Information on the tool will be available soon on the SPCE website.

The tool now includes further risk criteria and scoring, as well as providing further rationale for the risk/impact scoring of individual commodities. This is still work-in-progress as we expect to embed further rationale before the end of September.

The tool can complement the DEFRA Prioritisation tool by providing the key impacts/risks to insert into the latter when making your decisions on which commodities to tackle from a sustainability perspective.

efficient lighting and CHP respectively. These are available on the SPCE website in <http://spce.ac.uk/good-practice/>

We are always on the lookout for sustainable procurement-related case studies. If you have any recent ones that would be beneficial to others and that you are willing to share, please contact Eve Ranby in the SPCE team- E.Ranby@leeds.ac.uk.

organisational sustainability. Developed by procurement experts and accredited by CIPS, it offers a comprehensive, simple, fast and cost-effective online assessment of environmental, economic and social sustainability. It is a supplier risk management tool currently aimed at the contract management aspect of the procurement cycle and not as a supplier selection tool.

Please note that it is a subscription-based model by which suppliers would pay an annual fee which varies according to the size of the supplier.

If you are interested in the potential use of this, further details can be found on the [CIPS website](#).



BS 8903

Many of you will be aware that there is a British Standard for sustainable procurement, BS 8903. This has been available since 2010 and is closely linked with the principles of the Flexible Framework.

There is a good summary article on the [CIPS website](#) for those interested.

Further details can be found on the [BSI website](#).

This page includes a case study for Loughborough University which makes interesting reading.



CSR PQQ/ITT Documents

We are also in the process of updating other AUPO-based CSR documents, in particular the PQQ and ITT questions.

The aim is to create a set of generic questions for PQQs and ITTs for goods and services, and works, if time permits.

The first draft of the goods PQQ is currently with lawyers for legal checking so will be made available shortly. Look out for further details soon.

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