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Policy Workshop: Cities as customers for Innovation: The Role of City Procurers and Innovation Agencies

Innovation agencies

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Innovation agencies can stimulate innovation procurement by setting up financial supporting instruments – both demand and supply side

- in Spain INNOCOMPRA (for procurers) & INNODEMANDA (for suppliers)

Innovation agencies key stakeholders for raising awareness of innovation procurement:

- **for procurers:** informing them about different instruments to support innovation procurement (both National & European level, H2020,...), disseminating information of innovation procurement tenders and innovation industries database, etc.
- **for suppliers:** informing them about the opportunities offered by the tenderers, the way they can obtain benefits from National & European level instruments



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Helpful if innovation agencies could provide hands on support when procurers wished to procure innovation

(EC already doing by contract awarded to Stella Consulting, EAFIP initiative)

Communication and work sharing between innovation agencies is crucial:

- good practice exchanges
- experts meetings (i.e. task-force ERAC)
- “NCP like” support (one of the conclusions of the PCP & PPI training for NCPs carried out in Vienna by the NCP Academy)