TERM	EU EPROCUREMENT GLOSSARY	UNCITRAL GLOSSARY	OCDS GLOSSARY	E-PROCUREMENT TOOLKIT	DEFINITION	QUESTIONNAIRE ID
Advertisement	Contract Notice	Notice of procurement	Contract Notice	Advertisement	Notice by which a procuring agency announces the commencement of a public procurement competition.	C2.7oa C2.7ob C2.7oc C5.1
Bid (submission)	Tender submission	Initial bids / Submission	Bid	Submission of bids	Technical and financial offer of a private sector entity for a specific public procurement competition.	C2.7g C2.7h C5.2
Bid Validity Period	Tender Validity Deadline	Period of effectiveness of tenders		Bid Validity Period	The period during which the bids submitted for a public procurement competition remain valid.	C2.7la C2.7lb C2.7lc
Bidder	Bidder		Bidder	Economic Operators	A private sector entity interested in a public procurement competition, or submitter of bid for a public procurement competition.	C4.10a C4.10b C4.10c

Business model for		Business model for	C3.1j
eProcurement		eProcurement	
Government owned		Government owned	
and operated		and operated:	
Government-managed		eProcurement system	
service		owned and operated	
Public-private		by the government,	
partnership (PPP)		which is built by its	
Shared service		own ICT team.	
		Alternatively, external	
		partners may be	
		consulted during the	
		development or the	
		support phases of the	
		project, but these	
		partners have no rights	
		to any part of the	
		system.	
		Government-	
		managed service:	
		eProcurement system	
		owned, operated, and	
		supported by a third	
		party partner; the	
		government retains	
		ownership of all hosted	
		data and all supporting	
		services, such as a user	
		helpdesk and training.	
		Public-private	
		partnership	
		(PPP):eProcurement	
		system owned and	
		operated by a third-	

Central Purchasing Body	Central Purchasing		Central	party service provider. The intention of this model is that at some time in the future and specified in the public-private partnership agreement, the service will be transferred to the government. In the interim, the service provider is compensated either through a fixed monthly/annual fee or transactional revenues based on the usage of the system. Shared service: eProcurement system provided by a third-party service provider and is used by multiple public sector entities or other clients.	C2.5a
Central Purchasing Body	Body		Central Purchasing Body	that acquires goods or services (commonly through framework agreements) intended for several public sector entities.	C2.5a C2.5b C2.5d C2.5e

Commercial off-the-shelf					Non-developmental items (NDI) sold in the commercial marketplace; in the context of public procurement this term is usually relevant for COTS eProcurement systems (i.e. systems based on platforms developed by private sector entities).	C3.1i
Complaint		Appeal	Complaint	Complaint	Expression of objection against a decision, outcome or procedure of a public procurement competition.	C2.7j C4.11a C4.11b C4.11c C4.12
Contract Award	Awarded Contract	Award of a procurement contract or framework agreement	Contract Award	Contract Award	The result of a public procurement competition, in terms of winning bidder(s) and contract budget.	C2.7m C4.4a C4.4b C4.4c C4.4d C4.4e C4.4f C4.8a C4.8b C4.9a C4.9b C4.9c C4.9d C5.1

Direct Contract	Single-source	Direct C	Contract	Public procurement	C2.7pa
	procurement			method whose main	C2.7pb
				distinct feature is the	C2.7pc
				absence of	C4.6c
				competition, since the	C4.6d
				invitation to present a	
				bid is addressed only to	
				one bidder.	
Disclosure threshold				Disclosure of contract	C2.7m
				awards is subject to a	
				minimum budget	
				threshold below which	
				disclosure is not	
				required.	

eProcurement	- eProcurement Plan: C3.1d
functionalities supported	eProcurement system
eProcurement Plan	module to create and
ePublishing/Notification	publish annual
eTendering/eQuotation	procurement plans at
eEvaluation/Awarding	the beginning of each
eReverse Auctions	fiscal year. This module
eContract Management	commonly allows
eCatalogues	bidders to be aware of
ePurchasing/P2P	the nature, timing, and
Vendor Management	volume of the planned
eComplaints	public procurements.
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	Publishing/Notification:
	eProcurement system
	module to support the
	publication of public
	procurement
	advertisements so that
	these are available to
	any interested party.
	- eTendering /
	eQuotation:
	eProcurement system
	module to provide
	online support for the
	submission of bids .
	- eEvaluation/e-
	Awarding:
	eProcurement system
	module to support the
	electronic opening
	(decryption) of bids,
	their partial or

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		complete evaluation,
		and the notification of
		the outcome of the
		process.
		- eReverse Auction:
		eProcurement system
		module to provide an
		online real-time
		purchasing technique,
		enabling bidders to
		successively submit
		bids of lower value.
		This module features
		mechanisms for the
		automatic evaluation
		of bids.
		- eContract
		Management:
		eProcuremeent system
		module to support the
		management of
		contracts. This module
		commonly includes
		features to manage
		contract
		documentation,
		contract amendments,
		key performance
		indicators (KPIs), tasks,
		and deliverables.
		- eCatalogue:
		eProcurement system
		module to support the
		creation of catalogue
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		workspaces and the	
		ability to browse	
		electronic catalogues	
		and create/ manage	
		cart of items to	
		procure.	
		- ePurchasing:	
		eProcurement system	
		module to support the	
		preparation of	
		requisitions and the	
		management of	
		purchase orders.	
		Occasionally this module is also referred	
		to as Purchase-to-Pay (P2P)	
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		- Vendor Management: The management of	
		profiles, attestations	
		and/or performance of	
		suppliers, contractors,	
		constructors, bidders,	
		etc. conducting	
		business with public	
		sector entities.	
		- eComplaints:	
		eProcurement system	
		module to receive and	
		manage complaints.	
		manage complaints.	
eProcurement system		The electronic platform	C3.1a
		used to manage	C3.1b
		various aspects of the	C3.1c
		public procurement	

	process (e.g. advertisements)	
eSignature functionalities Advanced electronic certificate authentication Document electronic signing Action electronic signing	Funtionalities: -Advanced electronic certificate authentication: use of electronic certificates for supporting the user authentication process (i.e. login) - Document electronic signing: use of electronic certificates for supporting the electronic sign off of documents uploaded onto the eProcurement system (e.g. bids) - Action electronic signing: use of electronic certificates for supporting the electronic signing use of electronic sign off of crucial actions performed within the context of the eProcurement system (e.g. contract award)	

Framework Agreement	Framework	Framework		Framework	Contractual agreement	C4.8a
	Agreement	Agreement		Agreement	for a fixed period	C4.8b
					between procuring	
					entities and selected	
					supplier(s), concluded	
					following a public	
					procurement	
					competition, which	
					sets the conditions for	
					future, repetitive	
					purchases.	
Goods	Goods / Supplies	Goods	Goods	Goods	Objects of every kind	C2.7ka
					and description	C2.7la
					including raw	C2.7oa
					materials, products	C2.7pa
					and equipment and	C4.4a
					objects in solid, liquid	C4.4b
					or gaseous form, and	C4.10a
					electricity, as well as	
					services incidental to	
					the supply of the goods	
					if the value of those	
					incidental services	
					does not exceed that	
					of the goods	
					themselves.	
Gross Domestic Product					Gross Domestic	C1.3
(GDP)					Product (GDP) is a	
					broad measurement of	
					a nation's overall	
					economic activity. GDP	
					is the monetary value	
					of all the finished	
					goods and services	

				produced within a country's borders in a specific time period.	
Life Cycle Costing (LLC)				LLC is the sum of all recurring and one-time (non-recurring) costs over the full life span or a specified period of a good, service, structure, or system. In includes purchase price, installation cost, operating costs, maintenance and upgrade costs, and remaining (residual or salvage) value at the end of ownership or its useful life.	C2.7b
Lowest Price	Lowest Price	Tender/submission with the lowest price	Lowest Price	Bid evaluation process based on which the procuring entity determines the winning bid by eliminating ineligible bidders and technically inacceptable bids and then selecting the lowest priced bid for award.	C4.9c C4.9d

Most Economically Advantageous Tender (MEAT)		Most advantageous tender		MEAT	Bid evaluation process through which the successful bid is ascertained on the basis of combining	C2.7d C4.9a C4.9b
					technical and financial characteristcs of the bids.	
Non direct Contract			Open Contracting		Public procurement method involving competition and bidding process (i.e. opposite Direct contract).	C4.6a C4.6b
Procurement procedure	Procurement Procedure				The procedure by which a public sector entity can acquire goods, services and works. Occasionally referred to as Call for Tenders, Public Procurement Competition, or simply Tender.	C4.13
Public Procuremement Agency					The government agency that is responsible for establishing a national public procurement policy and overseeing its implementation among all public sector entities. It occasionally holds the power to	C2.1 C2.2

					approve contract awards of large value.	
Region covered by the CPB: - National* - Regional* - Local*					National: covers whole country Regional: covers large geographic region of the country Local: covers small geographical region of the country (i.e municipalities)	C2.5d
Services	Services	Services	Services	Services	Services of intellectual and consulting nature and any other services not covered by the terms "goods" and "works"	C2.7kc C2.7lc C2.7oc C2.7pc C4.4e C4.4f C4.10c
SMEs	SMEs & Micro, Small And Medium-Sized Enterprise (SME)			SMEs	An enterprise which employs a small number of employees and has a small annual turnover or balance sheet.	C2.7f C4.7a C4.7b
Spend Taxonomy					Classification used for systematically characterizing procurements to serve improved visibility of competitions and more	C4.1

		effective reporting mechanisms. Most usually are: UN/SPSC and CPV.
Standstill Period	Standstill period	Period starting from the moment bidders of a competition are informed of its results, during which they are allowed to express their objections on such results. Procuring entities cannot proceed in signing contracts with the winning bidder until this period elapses and all expressed complaints are resolved.
Sustainability		Sustainable procurement is the adoption and integration of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) principles into your procurement processes and decisions while also ensuring, they meet the requirements of your company and its stakeholders. The 6

				core subjects listed by ISO 26000 are: human rights, labor practices, the environment, fair operating practices, consumer issues, community involvement and development	
Tender	Tender		Competition	See "Procurement procedure"	C4.2a C4.2b C4.11a C4.11b C4.11c
Tender threshold				Disclosure of tenders is subject to a minimum threshold below which disclosure is not required.	C2.7n
Total Cost of Ownership (TCO)				TCO calculates the complete cost from purchase to disposal including expected costs to be incurred during the lifetime of the product, such as service, repair, and insurance.	C2.7a
Value for Money (VfM)				VfM should not be calculated solely on cost, but also on the efficiency and	C2.7c

					effectiveness of the	
					purchase.	
Works	Works	Construction	Works	Works	All works associated	C2.7kb
					with the construction,	C2.7lb
					reconstruction,	C2.7ob
					demolition, repair or	C2.7pb
					renovation of a	C4.4c
					building, structure or	C4.4d
					works, such as site	C4.10b
					preparation,	
					excavation, erection,	
					building, installation of	
					equipment or	
					materials, decoration	
					and finishing, as well as	
					services incidental to	
					construction such as	
					drilling, mapping,	
					satellite photography,	
					seismic investigations	
					and similar services	
					provided pursuant to	
					the procurement	
					contract, if the value of	
					those services does not	
					exceed that of the	
					construction itself	