

AGENDA



NETWORK OF PROCUREMENT
IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
SUMMIT 2025
SOFIA, BULGARIA, SEPTEMBER 11-12



WORLD BANK GROUP
Corporate Procurement

Wednesday
September 10
2025

6:00 – 8:00 PM
Welcome Reception

Sky Bonsai Bar
[Crowne Plaza Sofia Hotel](#)

Thursday
September 11
2025

8:15 – 9:00 AM
Registration and Coffee

World Bank Office Sofia
[Advance Business Center](#)
Sofia Foyer

9:00 – 9:10 AM
Welcome and Introductions
Kenny Cheung, Chief of Procurement and Director, BPS Corporate Procurement, World Bank Group

Sofia Room
Virtual: [Webex](#)

9:10 – 9:30 AM
Opening Remarks
Wencai Zhang, Managing Director and Chief Administrative Officer, World Bank Group

Sofia Room
Virtual: [Webex](#)

9:30 – 10:15 AM
NPPIO History, Evolution and Lessons Learned
Pierre-Philippe Gendraud, Adviser to Government, Government of Seychelles

Sofia Room
Virtual: [Webex](#)

10:15 – 10:45 AM
Networking Break

Sofia Foyer

10:45 – 12:15 PM
Procurement as a Strategic Asset in International Organizations
Co-moderator: **Magda Vigoureux**, Assistant Director, Procurement, Contracts, Travel, Missions & Events, Interpol
Co-moderator: **Radostina Nikolova**, Procurement Analyst, Corporate Procurement Sourcing and Supplier Management, World Bank Group

Sofia Room

12:15 – 12:30 PM
Group Picture

Sofia Foyer

12:30 – 1:45 PM
Lunch

Sofia Foyer

1:45 – 2:15 PM
Recap of 2024 NPPIO Summit and Agreed Actions
Muriel Tharreau, Head of the Laucher Accompaniment, Transition and Headquarters Contracts Service, Contracts Department, European Space Agency

Sofia Room
Virtual: [Webex](#)

2:15 – 3:15 PM
Making Collaboration Work in Procurement Working Groups
Co-moderator: **Laurent Devigne**, Head of Procurement MAF, Council of Europe
Co-moderator: **Adam Rubinfeld**, Head of Sustainable Procurement, Corporate Procurement, World Bank Group

Sofia Room

3:15 – 3:45 PM
Networking Break

Sofia Foyer

3:45 – 5:00 PM
Digital Transformation and Procurement 4.0: Navigating the Era of Agentic AI
Dr. Elouise Epstein, Partner and Futurist, Kearney

Sofia Room
Virtual: [Webex](#)

5:00 – 5:30 PM
Day wrap-up
Kenny Cheung, Chief of Procurement and Director, BPS Corporate Procurement, World Bank Group

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7:00 – 7:30 PM

Transfer from Hotel to Diplomat Art Club

**Pick-up at Crowne Plaza
Hotel Entrance**

7:30 – 9:30 PM

Dinner

[Art Club Diplomat](#)

9:30 – 10:00 PM

Transfer from Diplomat Art Club to Hotel

**Pick-up at Art Club
Diplomat Entrance**

Friday

September 12
2025

8:30 – 9:00 AM

Morning Coffee

Sofia Foyer

9:00 – 9:15 AM

Day 1 Recap

Kenny Cheung, Chief of Procurement and Director, BPS Corporate Procurement, World Bank Group

Sofia Room

9:15 – 10:45 AM

Maximizing Impact through Collaborative Sustainable Procurement

*Guest Speaker: **Jesús Caballero Pinto**, Chief Executive Officer, Sofia Airport*

*Moderator: **Adam Rubinfield**, Head of Sustainable Procurement, Corporate Procurement, World Bank Group*

Sofia Room
Virtual: [Webex](#)

10:45 – 11:15 AM

Networking Break

Sofia Foyer

11:15 – 12:45 PM

Future-Ready Category Management

*Co-moderator: **Mariya Abroskina**, Manager, Corporate Procurement Center of Excellence, World Bank Group*

*Co-moderator: **Kenny Cheung**, Chief of Procurement and Director, BPS Corporate Procurement, World Bank Group*

Sofia Room
Virtual: [Webex](#)

12:45 – 2:00 PM

Lunch

Sofia Foyer

2:00 – 3:30 PM

Building Resilience and Managing Risk in Procurement Processes

*Moderator: **Martin Tsachev**, Procurement Specialist, Corporate Procurement Sourcing and Supplier Management, World Bank Group*

Sofia Room

3:30 – 4:00 PM

Networking Break

Sofia Foyer

4:00 – 4:30 PM

Event Wrap-Up: Key Takeaways and Future Planning

***Kenny Cheung**, Chief of Procurement and Director, BPS Corporate Procurement, World Bank Group*

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4:30 – 5:00 PM

Closing Remarks

***Samuel Munzele Maimbo**, Vice President, Budget, Performance Review and Strategic Planning, World Bank*

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