



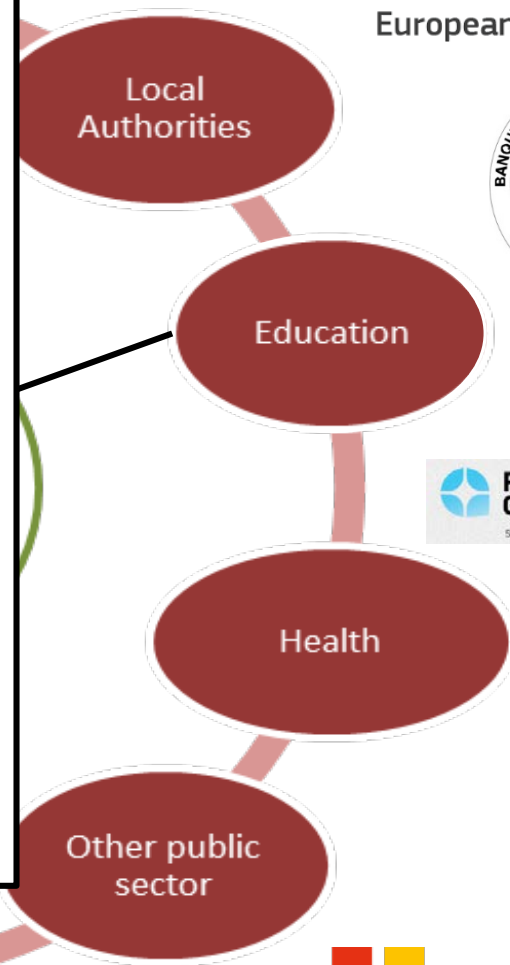
Embedding Sustainability within University Procurement

Pioneers, Pitfalls and Priorities

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- Abertay University
- Aberdeen Robert Gordon University
- University of Birmingham
- Bournemouth University
- Brunel University
- Canterbury Christchurch University
- University of Chichester
- University of Creative Arts
- University of Dundee
- University of East London
- University of Edinburgh
- University of Hertfordshire
- University of Manchester
- University of Portsmouth
- Royal Holloway, University of London
- University of Southampton
- Southampton Solent University
- University of Strathclyde
- UCL

- University of Stirling
- University of West London
- City of Glasgow College
- Edinburgh College
- Fife College
- Forth Valley College
- Glasgow College of Art
- Hadlow College
- Highbury College
- New College Lanarkshire
- Scotland's Rural College
- Environmental Association for Universities and Colleges (EAUC)
- Advanced Procurement for Universities and Colleges (APUC)
- Southern Universities Purchasing Consortium (SUPC)
- Sustainable Procurement Presentation at Conference on University Purchasing (COUP)



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Within Universities



Challenges

- * Procurement structure – devolved, centralised, hybrid
- * Non-specialist procurers
- * Understanding and resources
- * Frameworks
- * Legislation
- * HEFCE – Scope 3 Emissions
- * Risks and opps:
 - * Circular Economy
 - * Ethical trade
 - * Plastics
 - * Social Value
 - * Innovation
 - * UN SDGs
 - * Others.....



'Golden Thread'



Sustainable Outcomes



Devil in the detail!

Environmental

Climate Change

Materials

Waste

Hazardous materials

Biodiversity

Water

Socio-economic

Employment, skills and training

Health and wellbeing

Communities

Ethical and fair trade

Equality



Pioneers

- * University of Edinburgh
 - * Long established focus
 - * SP Champion
 - * Capability: Training plan
 - * Embraced Scottish Government commitments and tools
 - * ETI
 - * Workers Rights...
- * Universities of Gloucester, Oxford, Cambridge....



Avoiding Pitfalls

- * Uncertain and non-aligned intended procurement outcomes
- * Trying to do everything at once
- * Shopping list of requirements
- * Expecting non-specialists to get it right all the time
- * Not considering the market
- * Contract management

Focus on Priorities and Process



- * 'Categories' of procurement which have highest balance of spend, risk/opp, scope and market influence
- * Influences internal stakeholders who need to embrace SP and who need help
- * Influences extent and nature of relevant and proportionate contract requirements and practical contract management – guidance helps
- * Influences intended outcomes that need to be monitored and reported
- * Influences suppliers/market that need intensive engagement
- * Simple process to consider what is relevant for contracts

