

# Combat climate emergency through circular procurement

## Could you benefit from free support to help reduce your environmental impact?

#### **Circular Economy**

Switching to a circular economy from the traditional linear model is a key part of the solution to the climate emergency.

A circular economy is one where products, services, and systems are designed to maximise the lifespan of goods and materials to get the most value from out limited resources.

#### Climate Emergency and Consumption

Scotland's huge consumption habit is a major cause of carbon emissions driving the climate emergency.

As a public body or private firm responding to the climate emergency, one of the most effective things you can do is reduce your organisation's consumption of new resources.

### **Circular Procurement**

Circular procurement extends beyond 'traditional' sustainable procurement by helping to develop circular business models within the supply chain.

It uses purchasing power to achieve maximum positive ecological, social, and economic impact throughout the life span of products and services.



### Transnational Circular Procurement project: ProCirc

Zero Waste Scotland is one of 11 partners across Europe working together to scale up the development of circular business models, products and services to change the way procurement is done.

They are collaborating on a three-year project called ProCirc, which is part-funded by the European Union's Interreg programme. It provides mentoring support for specific products and services which have been found to be likely to bring the greatest environmental and social benefits from circular buying. These are furniture, textiles, construction, infrastructure, ICT, and some common single-use items.

ProCirc will work with public and private organisations on more than 30 pilot schemes to test different circular procurement options for these areas.

### **Get Involved**

Starting in January 2020, Zero Waste Scotland will be hosting industry-focused events for buyers and suppliers at locations across Scotland. We hope to see you there!

For details of these events or to find out more, please join our mailing list.

## Join mailing list

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