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Aim of the Workshop:

The aim is to share experience about the impact of inter-governmental agreements on Public Procurement. It will focus on public procurement and obligations deriving from the EU acquis, especially in such areas as fiscal sustainability, fair business environment, competition, environment standards, transport and energy policies.

The second part of the workshop aims to discuss the financial, social and economic costs and benefits of investments coming from such agreements, and to exchange experience when dealing with institutional investors.

Participants / Speakers:

- **Ms Oana Cristea**
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- **Dr Hein Roelfsema**
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- **Dr Elisabetta Manunza**
Professor of International and European Public Procurement Law, Europa Institute, Utrecht University's School of Law. | Co-founder and co-director of the Utrecht University Centre for Public Procurement
- **Ms Valentina Schippers**
Coordinator Urban Agenda Partnership
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- **Mr Jan Saloni**
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Day 1: Tuesday, 23 November 2021	
Venue: Virtual	
9:15-9:45	<i>Online login of participants</i>
9:45-10:00	Welcome address: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Herve Joly, Director of the Joint Vienna Institute TBC - Mr Lawrence Meredith, Director for Neighbourhood East and Institution Building, Directorate-General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations (DG NEAR), European Commission TBC
10:00-10:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public procurement obligations in the alignment process with EU rules <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alignment of the national legal framework with the EU acquis, including legislation on concessions and international agreements. - Adequate administrative and institutional capacity Speaker: Mr Jan Saloni <p style="margin-top: 10px;"><i>Q&A (10 minutes)</i></p>
10:45-11:00	<i>Virtual coffee break</i>
11:00-12:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Procurement organised under Inter-governmental agreements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Legal framework for the EU and third countries - EU legislation on public procurement and implementation through the MS Speaker: Dr Elisabetta Manunza <p style="margin-top: 10px;"><i>Q&A (10 minutes)</i></p>
12:00-13:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calculation of financial, social and economic costs and benefits of inter-governmental agreements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Description of the context and definition of objectives - Technical feasibility & Environmental sustainability - Financial analysis - Economic analysis - Risk assessment, risk prevention and mitigation. Speaker: Ms Valentina Schippers <p style="margin-top: 10px;"><i>Q&A (10 minutes)</i></p>
13:00-13:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open discussion and debate All speakers and audience
13:15	<i>End of day 1</i>

Day 2 : Wednesday, 24 November 2021

Venue: Virtual

<i>8:50</i>	<i>Online registration</i>
09:00-10:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Economics of Public Procurement Partnerships and Concession Contracts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ex-ante socio-economic evaluation - Risk sharing schemes applied between partners - Evolution of long-term contracts over time and renegotiation clauses <p>Speaker: Dr Hein Roelfsema</p> <p><i>Q&A (10 minutes)</i></p>
10:00-11:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussions on dealing with institutional investors: experiences and cases from EU Member States <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Risk assessment (environmental standards, corruption, conflict of interest, economic debt, lack of transparency, discriminatory policies, lack of process integrity) <p>Speaker: Ms Oana Cristea</p> <p><i>Q&A (10 minutes)</i></p>
<i>11:00-11:15</i>	<i>Virtual coffee break</i>
11:15-12:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lessons learnt from EU Member States <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Examples of EU MS pre-accession challenges - Post-accession public procurement challenges from both beneficiaries and government perspectives - Challenging factors for a faster integration into the EU <p>Speaker: All experts in dialogue with participants</p>
12:15-12:45	Discussion and Conclusion
<i>12:45</i>	<i>End of Workshop</i>

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