



Towards more sustainable food provision

Exploring Sustainable Solutions:

Public Food Procurement for Local and Organic Food Markets

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Webinar outline

10:30 – Welcome to VISIONARY webinar and an overview of research findings.

10:40 – Sarah Gowanlock: Soil Association’s “Food For life served here” standards and objective and how it may facilitate public procurement.

10:55 – Mark Hunter: East Ayrshire Council sustainable procurement model – Key enablers and challenges and how has it been successfully addressed.

11:10 – Bente Kramer Møller: Designing and implementing sustainable procurement strategy-Lessons from Aarhus municipality- Denmark.

11:25 – Daniel Keech: SME’s inclusion in Tenders & Dynamic purchasing system- lessons ROBUST experience in Gloucestershire – UK.

11:40 - Discussion and Questions from participants

12.00 End

Emerging findings related to Public procurement (cont'd)

- Issues linked to Sustainable procurement policy: Interventions

- Improve local councils staff knowledge of local production systems and organic farming.
- Promoting collaboration for tender's preparation (e.g. Between wholesaler companies and small producers on parameters other than price)
- Capacity building: Training for kitchen chefs to improve know-how skills (to promote the use of organic & seasonal products).
- Regulation: Creation of certificates for catering, schools, residential and urban spaces (Public/private).
- Education: Introduction of organic/seasonal in school menu and introduce sustainable food units in the school curriculum.

How to best to go about this? Let's hear some examples

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