Nordic seminar on environmentally sustainable public procurement of pharmaceuticals



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9:30-14:30 (Helsinki time) Virtual event

European union "Strategic approach to pharmaceuticals in the environment" (COM(2019) 128 final) noted public procurement policy as one measure to support the development of pharmaceuticals intrinsically less harmful for the environment and promote greener manufacturing.

SUDDEN-project, Finnish Environment Institute (SYKE), Competence Centre for Innovative and Sustainable Public Procurement (KEINO), and Swedish Knowledge Centre on Pharmaceuticals in the Environment arrange a Nordic seminar to share the best practices of the use environmental criteria for public procurement of pharmaceuticals, identify development needs in the use of the criteria, and discuss how Nordic co-operation could be strengthened to address these needs and to improve the effectiveness of the criteria.

In the seminar, you will hear proceedings from the practitioners and experts from Finland, Sweden, Denmark, and Norway. Seminar is free and open to all interested parties.

Registration is needed via the link below by 2.11.2020, after which contact atte.ojanen@demoshelsinki.fi.

Link to registration (https://forms.gle/MxkBncDGNbJS5bK56)

Program

9:30-9:40 Welcome! Introduction to the day

Reijo Kärkkäinen, visiting researcher, chair of SUDDEN's stakeholder board, University of Helsinki Mikael Sokero, Demos Helsinki

SESSION 1: Best practices and development needs in the use of environmental criteria for public procurement of pharmaceuticals

9:40-10:00 TITLE TBC

Laura Labart, Pharma Industry Finland, Finland

10:00-10:20 Sustainable public procurement (SPP) of pharmaceuticals

Margareta Bergh, The National Agency for Public Procurement, Sweden

10:20-10:30 Break

10:30-10:50 Experiences of using environmental criteria in public procurement (of pharmaceuticals) in Norway Laila Pagh-Skov, Norwegian Hospital Procurement Trust, Norway

10:50-11:10 Status on the Danish national work with environmentally sustainable public procurement (pharmaceuticals) Jon Bjergfelt, Head of sustainability at Amgros I/S, Denmark

11:10-11:25 Introduction to Nordic Forum for Medicines (NLF), their work and view on environmentally sustainable public procurement (pharmaceuticals)

Flemming Sonne, CEO at Amgros I/S and chairman of NLF, Denmark

11:25-12:30 Lunch break

SESSION 2: How to improve the effectiveness of the environmental criteria in the public procurement of pharmaceuticals across the **Nordic Countries?**

12:30-12:50 Region Västra Götaland's national coordination of environmental requirements, follow-ups and a brief insight into ongoing harmonization work

Lena Göransson Modigh and Anders Olsson, Västra Götalandsregionen, Sweden

12:50-13:10 Private and public sustainable procurement – possibilities for mutual learning Katerina Mitkidis, Aarhus university, Denmark

13:10-13:30 Carbon footprint of public procurement – role of pharmaceuticals Katriina Alhola, Finnish Environment Institute, Finland

13:30-13:40 Break

13:40-14:00 Model for environmental assessment of pharmaceuticals – a tool in sustainable procurement Ann-Christin Pålsson, IVL Swedish Environmental Research Institute

14:00-14:25 Reflections from the participants on future steps and needs. Free discussion.

14:25-14:30 Thank you and closing

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