

Nordic seminar on environmentally sustainable public procurement of pharmaceuticals



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10:00-14:30 (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 of 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 \(https://forms.gle/MxBncDGNbJS5bK56\)](https://forms.gle/MxBncDGNbJS5bK56)

Program

10:00-10:10 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

10:10-10:30 Environmental criteria in public procurement in Finland – from the perspective of pharma industry

Laura Labart, Pharma Industry Finland, Finland

10:30-10:50 Sustainable public procurement (SPP) of pharmaceuticals

Margareta Bergh, The National Agency for Public Procurement, Sweden

10:50-11:10 Experiences of using environmental criteria in public procurement (of pharmaceuticals) in Norway

Laila Pagh-Skov, Norwegian Hospital Procurement Trust, Norway

11:10-11:25 Questions to all the speakers and free discussion

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, Region Västra Götaland, 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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