



**Green Procurement  
Training Course - 2007**



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**What is Green Procurement?**

Internationally green procurement is recognised as the tool to allow organisations to procure products in a manner that makes a contribution to getting the Earth back into balance again. A properly structured green procurement program allows you to buy goods and services that have a substantially lower impact on the environment while maintaining quality, functionality and cost competitiveness.

This Green Procurement training course will explain to you the full concept behind defined words such as Sustainability; Product Certification; Verification; Life-cycle-analysis; and Ecolabelling. Take the time to learn about green procurement and you won't ever be de-railed again by suppliers with greenwash slogans. Don't let confusion ruin your genuine efforts to maintain sustainable purchasing in your organisation.

**The Challenge of Green Procurement**

Modern procurement officers need to keep up with corporate and government policy shifts on green purchasing in order to deliver the best outcome for their organisation. The aim of procurement is to deliver value for money. Green procurement is coming to the fore as an excellent way to get value for money as environmental requirements become stricter.

The principle is being mandated by corporations at all levels and at each tier of government, as part of standard operating procedures. Green is the new benchmark for purchasing goods and services in a sustainable world. So how do you come to grips with complex technical detail - like product life cycle analysis - so you can make decisions? This course teaches you how to recognize the set of criteria and specifications that is right for your procurement procedures and align environmental purchasing priorities into existing activities.

**Who Should Attend**

Green Procurement training is intended for people who make the decisions about which goods and services their organisation buys. They are mostly procurement / purchasing officers and managers and also their environmental advisors. The course is suitable for Local Government, public service agencies, non government organisations, corporations, small businesses and start-up/innovative companies.

The training is a 2-day course and is comprehensive enough to enable you to write a green procurement specification for your organisation soon after completing the course. If you cannot spare 2 days away from work to go to a course, then you and perhaps other people who are a bit new to the idea that buying can be done in a more sustainable manner, can select the 1-day option.

Either way you will return from the course with an understanding of why & how you can change from being a mere consumer to become a customer of the highest environmental commitment recognised by your suppliers, your executive and your customers in turn

**Headlines**

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