



DELIVERABLE E1: Green procurement

The project partnership, with the aim of promoting environmental protection activities, has implemented the **Green Procurement Directive**, a fundamental philosophy of the participating companies about the procurement and evaluation of suppliers of equipment and services. In particular, a set of discriminating criteria were defined during the selection of suppliers, regardless of the economic value of the price quotations received.

Therefore, criteria have been defined to select the possible suppliers of equipment and services for the project, with particular attention to elements such as:

- **Logistics**: In selecting the appropriate supplier, logistics plays a very important role. In particular, in relation to the global need to reduce CO2 emissions, various solutions will be evaluated, preferring supplies that are as “zero kilometer” as possible or that provide for “green” transport and energy systems. As regards logistics, three aspects will be evaluated:
 - Distance from supplier to customer;
 - Emission class of means of transport used for the supply;
 - Use of hybrid and electric vehicles.
- **Energy saving**: the operating and standby consumption levels of the products supplied to the partnership must be as low as possible. As regards energy saving, three aspects will be evaluated:
 - Presence of the energy-saving function;
 - Compliance with the law on the rational use of energy;
 - Compliance with TCO certification.
- **Attention to water resources**: the conservation of water resources is necessary for commercial activities and consequently we will try to opt for suppliers who make efforts to conserve water resources, within the limits of their possibilities. At the same time, therefore, the same partners will adopt solutions in line with this intent. For the conservation of water resources will be considered:
 - The reduction of the quantity of water used by the products sold by the supplier;
 - Prevention of water pollution by the supplier.
- **Recycling of the devices**: as far as possible, the products supplied must be remarkably easy to recycle and consequently must meet the following requirements:
 - Unification of the materials used;
 - Use of materials that can be easily recycled;
 - Document materials attached to the final products (non-paper electronic formats should be preferred).

A questionnaire has been carried out for suppliers to fill in, in which the score obtained will be taken into consideration in the overall assessment of the supplier and will influence the choice.