



## Sustainable Procurement Policy

### 1. General Framework

Mohamed Khider University of Biskra, as a public institution, is committed to implementing the provisions of the Algerian Public Procurement Law, which aims to ensure transparency, competition, equal access to public procurement, and the protection of public funds, while integrating sustainable development considerations throughout all stages of public purchasing.

**This policy is based on a balance between:**

- Economic efficiency
- Environmental protection
- Social responsibility
- Good governance

### 2. Objectives

The Sustainable Procurement Policy aims to:

- Integrate environmental and social dimensions into public procurement.
- Rationalize public spending within the university.
- Reduce the environmental impact of procurement (energy, paper, equipment, etc.).
- Favor products and services with lower environmental impact.
- Enhance transparency and equal opportunities among economic operators.
- Promote innovation and sustainability in the local market.

### 3. Legal and Regulatory Framework

This policy is based on:

- Presidential Decree No. 15-247 regulating public procurement and public service delegations.
- The general principles of public procurement:  
(freedom of access, equality, transparency, and efficiency of public expenditure).
- National laws related to environmental protection and sustainable development.
- National strategies promoting the green economy and reducing carbon footprint.
- Studies indicate that Algeria's public procurement system has become an important tool for integrating sustainable development objectives into public spending policies.



#### 4. Principles of Sustainable Procurement at the University

##### 1- Environmental Principle

- Reducing energy and water consumption.
- Integrating environmental criteria into tender specifications.
- Prioritizing recyclable materials.
- Minimizing waste generated from procurement activities.

##### 2- Economic Principle

- Ensuring best value for money.
- Applying Life Cycle Costing (LCC) instead of focusing solely on price.
- Supporting qualified local suppliers.

##### 3- Social Principle

- Supporting local employment.
- Respecting decent work standards.
- Ensuring non-discrimination among economic operators.
- Encouraging small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs).

#### 5. Implementation Mechanisms

##### 1- Planning Phase

- Clearly defining needs to avoid overconsumption.
- Conducting economic and environmental feasibility studies.

##### 2- Tender Preparation

- Integrating sustainability criteria (energy, quality, materials).
- Adopting clear and measurable environmental specifications.

##### 3- Awarding Phase

- Ensuring compliance with open tender procedures as the general rule.
- Guaranteeing transparency and equal treatment of bidders.

##### 4- Evaluation Phase

- Including environmental and social impact criteria in bid evaluation.
- Considering quality and added value alongside price.

##### 5- Monitoring Phase

- Monitoring contract execution through sustainability performance indicators.
- Evaluating suppliers based on environmental and social compliance.



## 6. Areas of Application within the University

Sustainable procurement applies to:

Energy-efficient office equipment.

Use of recycled paper and reduction of printing.

Building maintenance based on energy efficiency standards.

Environmentally friendly cleaning services.

Low environmental impact construction projects.

## 7. Governance and Responsibilities

Responsibilities are distributed as follows:

University Director: Overall supervision of the policy.

Procurement Department: Integration of sustainability criteria into procedures.

Procurement Committee: Control and approval of procurement operations.

Technical Services: Definition of technical and environmental standards.

Quality Department: Monitoring performance indicators.

## 8. Evaluation and Improvement

Preparation of an annual report on sustainable procurement.

Periodic review of the policy in line with legal and technological developments.

Continuous improvement of public procurement practices.

## 9. Conclusion

The Sustainable Procurement Policy of Mohamed Khider University of Biskra represents a strategic framework for modernizing public procurement management by aligning the Algerian Public Procurement Law with sustainable development requirements, thereby enhancing efficiency, transparency, and environmental protection within the institution.

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