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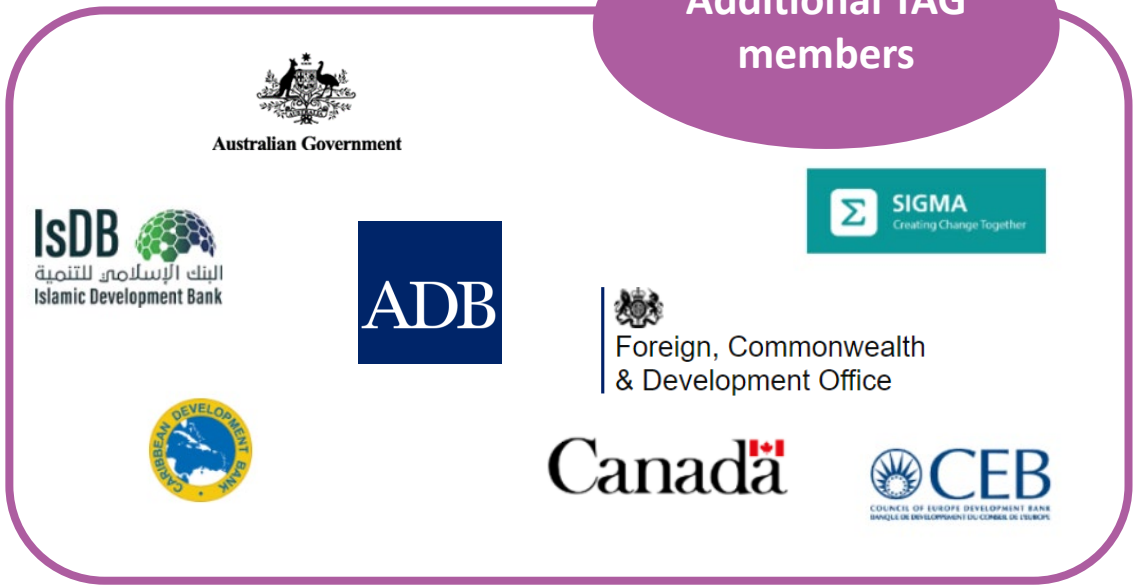
Multistakeholder initiative









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The MAPS framework

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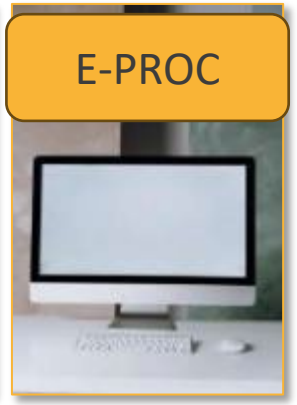



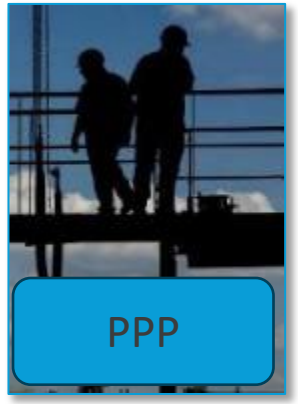

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Elements of the methodology



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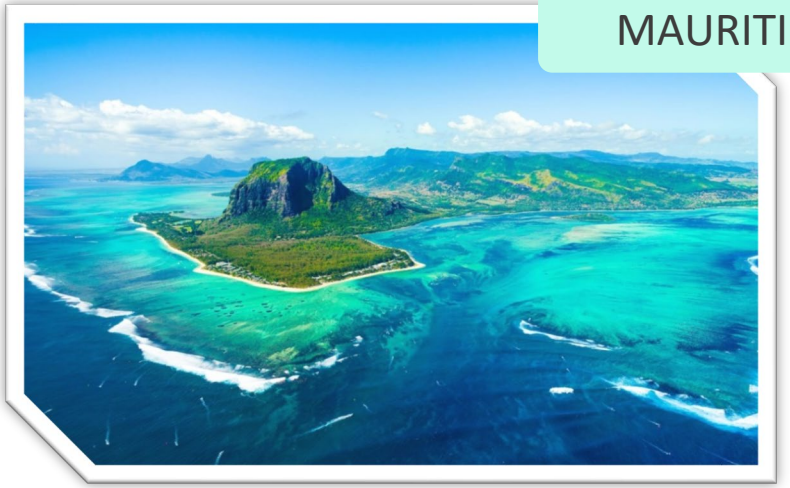

TÜRKIYE



(assessment started before publication of MAPS E-PROC)

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And ongoing assessments in Balochistan (Pakistan), Paraguay, North Macedonia

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From assessment to action: Montenegro



Since the assessment, Montenegro has:

- **Improved interoperability** between its e-procurement platform and other government systems.
- Added new **integrity tools**, including electronic reporting of conflicts of interest and collusion, with an **automated red-flag mechanism being developed with EU support**.
- Integrated **environmental and gender-responsive procurement markers** into the electronic system.
- **Enhanced functionality** for monitoring procurement implementation and handling appeals.

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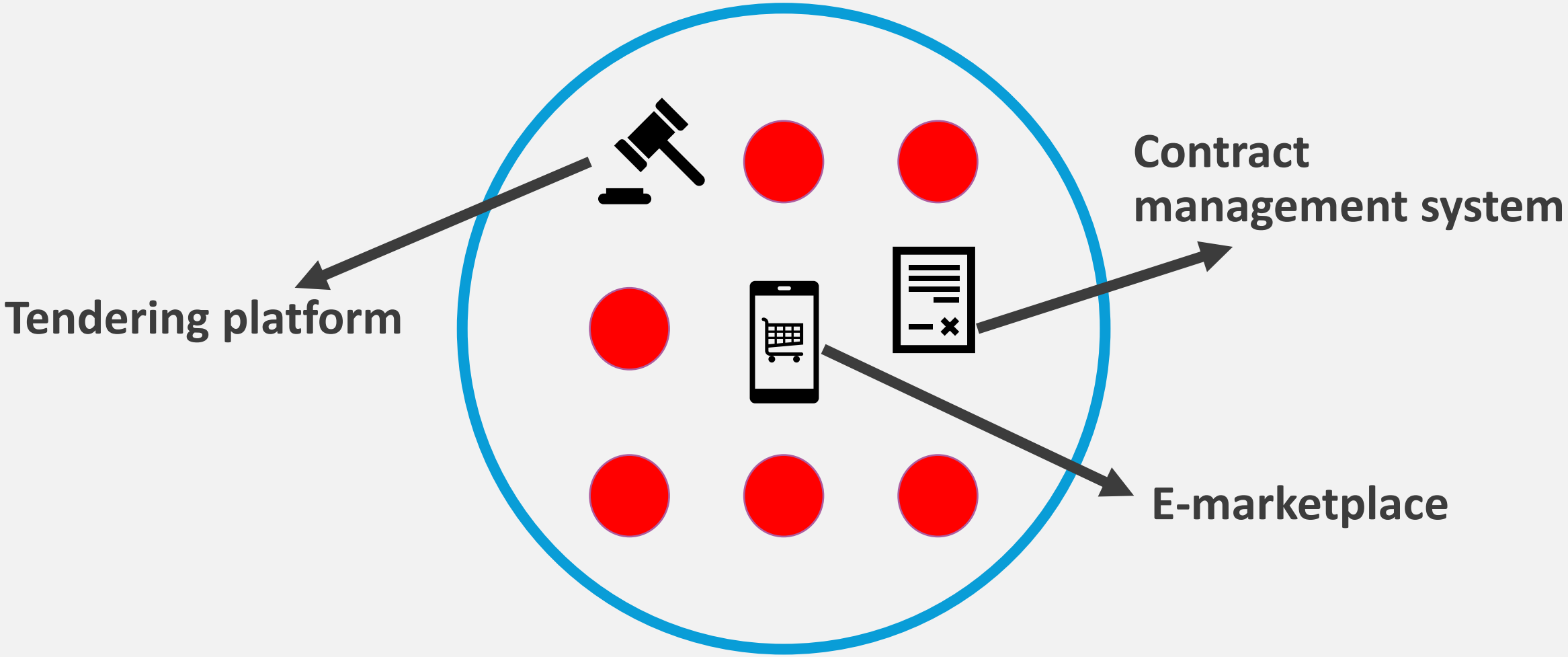
E-procurement ecosystem



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Scope of MAPS E-PROC

E-procurement ecosystem

IT solutions and platforms for different:

- Stages of the procurement cycle
- Procurement methods
- Entities and levels of government
- Other characteristics

Not a technical assessment of platforms but examples drawn from them!

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Topics assessed by MAPS E-PROC

I. Enabling legislation for e-Procurement, digital transactions, authentication, personal data protection, and alignment with government strategy.

II. Governance arrangements, business model, financial sustainability, resources, capacity building, and user support.

III. Platform functionality, security, technical performance, support for procurement methods, and use of procurement data for decision-making.

IV. Civil society participation, risk management, controls and audits, and e-complaints.

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Example: Pillar I, E-Proc-Sub-indicator 1(b) – Elements necessary for e-Procurement

E-Proc-Sub-indicator 1(b): Assessment criteria

The legal and regulatory framework complies with the following conditions:

a) **It clearly regulates the following elements in a way that enables their use in the e-Procurement ecosystem:**

- **electronic means of communication;**
- **electronic documents; and**
- **electronic means of authentication.**

b) **It establishes that enrolment/registration and authentication on the digital platforms is open and accessible to all interested parties, including foreign bidders.**

c) **It establishes requirements on the collection, storage and processing of personal data.**

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When would it be useful to apply MAPS E-PROC?

Is at least one e-Procurement platform in place?

Are at least some entities are already using the available platform(s)?

Does the legal framework already include provisions for e-Procurement?

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MDB e-gp assessment tool



GUIDE FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF ELECTRONIC GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT SYSTEMS INTENDED FOR USE UNDER MDB FINANCED OPERATIONS

December 2023

While this tool is fully aligned with MAPS E-PROC in terms of principles and standards, its main differences are:

	MAPS	MDB tool
Purpose	To diagnose the e-procurement ecosystem with the goal of improving it	To assess if an e-gp platform may be approved to be used under MDB-financed operations
Scope	Entire e-procurement ecosystem of a jurisdiction	A single e-gp platform

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MEXICO, NUEVO LEON



SENEGAL



And an ongoing assessment in Paraguay

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From assessment to action: Costa Rica



Since the assessment, Costa Rica has:

- Put a national **professionalisation strategy** in place, with defined training levels, specialisations, certification and monitoring arrangements.
- Developed a **competency-based approach**, with progressive competencies and specialisation by procurement role, supported by further competency-model development with the IDB.
- Created an **inter-institutional technical commission** bringing key actors together to support implementation.
- Scaled up **access to learning**, with around 100 webinars reaching approximately 90,000 participants, alongside greater engagement with the academic sector.

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What are we referring to?

For the purposes of this module, the term professionalisation of public procurement has a double meaning:

(i) the process by which the occupation of public procurement practitioners becomes a real profession of highest integrity and competence, distinct from other existing professions (professionalisation sensu stricto)

(ii) the process by which the overall competencies and skills of procurement officials are improved and recognised in order to deliver overall better outcomes (professionalism)

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Topics assessed in MAPS PROF

I. Professionalisation as a strategic objective, career structures, participation of training providers, and support for specialised procurement functions.

II. Integration into capacity-building strategies, needs assessment, competency development, and monitoring and evaluation of professionalisation efforts.

III. Competency frameworks, career path, access to degrees, certifications and accreditations, and availability of professionalisation services.

IV. Integrity and accountability measures, incentives and sanctions, oversight mechanisms, and integrity training for public officials and stakeholders.

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When would it be useful to apply MAPS PROF?

Professionalisation is a priority for the country

Understanding of obstacles for achieving professionalisation is needed

The country wants to take stock of professionalisation initiatives so far

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Key takeaways about MAPS

System-level assessment to drive targeted procurement reform at any level of government.

Flexible application: MAPS MAIN and modules can be used separately or together.

Independent quality assurance by the MAPS Secretariat and Technical Advisory Group (which includes ADB), ensuring consistency and methodological rigour.

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