



Global
Procurement
Conference

FIRST GLOBAL PROCUREMENT CONFERENCE 4 - 5 July 2016

UNIVERSITY OF ROME TOR VERGATA: Villa Mondragone: via Frascati 51 - Monte Porzio Catone

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Conference Coordinator: Professor Gustavo Piga

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Overview

The University of Rome Tor Vergata, with the School of Economics, is organizing the First Global Procurement Conference for July 4th and 5th 2016, to take place within the beautiful setting of the University's XV century Villa Mondragone in Monte Porzio Catone (Rome). The goal of the Global Procurement Conference is to raise awareness for the planetary implications of joint decisions regarding what is purchased, how and for whom in the public domain. Thanks to a partnership with the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the University of Rome Tor Vergata has the pleasure of presenting the conference speakers, experts from International Financial Institutions and regulatory bodies, policy-makers, economists, lawyers, public procurers that will engage in a much-needed debate concerning issues related to innovation, competitiveness, sustainability and regulation in procurement worldwide.

A History of Professional Upgrading in Procurement at Tor Vergata

The University of Rome Tor Vergata is a leading centre of excellence of procurement training, consulting and research. The Master in Procurement Management broke new grounds twelve years ago by setting new interdisciplinary standards for procurement knowledge and by uniting the fields of law, economics, and engineering to the curriculum of a knowledgeable procurer. In addition, by creating a unique programme for private, public civilian and military personnel, we introduced a revolutionary concept that would foster greater innovation, responsibility, and sustainability across the Italian economy.

Following that successful initiative, a new Master in Public Procurement Management was created in 2012 with the decisive and generous support of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development along with the Italian government. More than 100 public procurers from all over the world have come to Rome for 4 months to follow the interdisciplinary courses taught by some of the most important experts in procurement, including IFI specialists, lawyers, economists, and technical experts. The University of Rome Tor Vergata also hosts the Proxenter, a research institution that uses consulting services and research to support the advancement of scientific understanding of the motives and improvements linked to procurement practices worldwide.

Location, Logistics and Conference Sponsors

The Global Procurement Conference will take place in the stunning setting of Villa Mondragone, historic villa located in the hills above Rome. The sessions are scheduled to take place in the Sala degli Svizzeri. Participants are kindly requested to confirm their attendance by writing to the following email address: public.procurement@uniroma2.it. Thanks to the generous support of the European Space Agency, the First Global Procurement Conference will be open to the public.



Closing Ceremony IMPPM IV Edition on July 4th

In this occasion, the class of the fourth edition of the "EBRD-Tor Vergata" International Master in Public Procurement Management will conclude their training and lecture period in Rome and will be awarded a certificate of attendance.

The class of the 2015-2016 academic year is composed of qualified professionals all have at least 5 years of experience in field of public procurement, and come from a variety of countries from Central and Eastern Europe, the Middle East and Africa. These students will continue the remaining part of the Master programme from their home countries as they participate in an E-Learning module, perform a professional traineeship in procurement, and research and write their final thesis to conclude the obligations of the IMPPM programme.

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July 4

Conference room at Villa Mondragone: Sala degli Svizzeri

Conference Structure

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8:30-8.45am // Transfer for conference speakers by bus from Hotel Villa Tuscolana to Villa Mondragone

8:30am-9:00am

Conference Registration

9:00am-9:30am

Opening Remarks

Giuseppe Novelli, President of the University of Rome Tor Vergata

Gustavo Piga, Director IMPPM, University of Rome Tor Vergata

9:30am-11:00

Session 1: Cross-border and Collaborative Public Procurement

Albert Sanchez Graells, Senior Lecturer, University of Bristol Law School

Grith Skovgaard Olykke, Associate Professor, Copenhagen Business School

11:00am-11:30am // Coffee Break

11:30am-1:00pm

Session 2: Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises

Hee-seok Byeon, Director General of New Technologies and Services, Public Procurement Service

Jens Kauffmann, Head of the SME Office, ESA Headquarters

1:00pm-2:00pm // Lunch Break, Portico del Vasanzio

2:00pm-3:30pm

Session 3: Social Clauses- Global and Local Impact

Aristeidis Georgopoulos, Assistant Professor, University of Nottingham School of Law

Catherine Barnard, Professor European Law and Dean of Trinity College

3:30pm-5:00pm

Closing Ceremony for IV Edition IMPPM Students

5:15pm-5:30pm // Transfer for conference speakers by bus from Villa Mondragone to Hotel Villa Tuscolana

8:00pm-11:00pm

Conference Dinner for Global Procurement Conference Speakers and IV Edition IMPPM Students

Hotel Villa Tuscolana, via del Tuscolo, Frascati

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Session 1: The GPA and the Economic Reality

Robert Anderson, Councillor in the Intellectual Property Division of the Secretariat of the World Trade Organization
Zornitsa Kutlina-Dimitrova, Senior Economist, European Commission Directorate-General for TRADE

11:00am-11:30am // Coffee Break

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Session 2: Sustainable Global Procurement

Farid Yaker, Head of Sustainable Public Procurement, United Nations Environment Programme
Helen Walker, Professor of Operations and Supply Management and Director of the PhD Programme, Cardiff Business School

1:00pm-2:00pm // Lunch Break, Portico del Vasanzio

2:00pm-3:30pm

Session 3: Defence Procurement, Global Issues

Steven Schooner, Director of the Government Procurement Law Program, George Washington University
Martin Trybus, Professor of European Law and Policy, Birmingham Law School

3:30pm-5:00pm

Session 4: MDB Procurement

Jan Jackholt, Director of Procurement, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
Snezana Mitrovic, Adviser and Global Lead Building Procurement Systems, World Bank

5:00pm // General Discussion: Towards the Second Global Procurement Conference

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