

Demonstrate robust procurement

to meet funding criteria

Corporate Certification Primary Award

assesses an organisation's fundamental procurement processes against an internationally respected standard, demonstrating compliance to legislation, legal frameworks and ethical standards.

ABOUT CIPS

The Chartered Institute of Procurement and Supply (CIPS) is the global voice of the profession. Passionate about and 100% focused on procurement and supply, we exist to drive excellence in the profession in every way we can and provide a wide range of services for the benefit of our members and the wider business community.

PRIMARY AWARD HIGHLIGHTS

Provides a global, independent benchmark for assessing fundamental procurement processes

Supports the business case for an organisation to receive funding

Improves procurement capability for potential recipients of funding

Protects against fraud, corruption and bribery by confirming appropriate policies are in place

The independent benchmark of essential procurement processes

How does Primary Award work?

Designed by CIPS, the world's leading procurement specialists, Primary Award specifically supports international funding organisations and their clients.

By providing a benchmark against which to evaluate essential and fundamental procurement processes, organisations can provide reassurance to funders that they have robust systems in place that are compliant with legal, regulatory and ethical requirements. It also provides a framework for verifying and regularly auditing processes to protect against and prevent fraud, corruption and bribery in the supply chain.

Primary Award assesses an organisation's procurement function against five essential dimensions, which are common to every business, no matter what sector or market, whether public or private sector.

Assessment dimensions

1. LEADERSHIP AND ORGANISATION
2. STRATEGY
3. PEOPLE
4. PROCESSES AND SYSTEMS
5. PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT AND MANAGEMENT

Organisations are guided through the process of collating and submitting evidence against these dimensions online. The evidence is then verified by the independent CIPS Awarding Body to determine whether the level is met to achieve the Award. The Award is valid for 3 years, after which time the organisation must be reassessed. The organisation can also choose to work towards higher levels of award from CIPS.

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The benefits

For international funding institutions

Due Diligence: Supports your existing client organisation appraisal process for funding opportunities

Assurance: Provides independent evidence that client organisations have robust procurement systems in place that are compliant with legal, regulatory and ethical requirements

Risk Management: Verifies and assesses processes to ensure funding is protected against fraud, corruption and bribery in the supply chain

External Verification: Helps to build the business case for financing projects

Benchmarking: Becomes the standard against which potential clients can be measured

Improvement: Provides a framework for helping to develop client companies to improve their procurement and supply capabilities.

For organisations receiving funding

Proof: Demonstrates that your company meets the robust procurement criteria required by international funding organisations

Assurance: Provides independent evidence of robust procurement systems that are compliant with legal, regulatory and ethical requirements

Protection: Helps ensure funding is used as intended by providing a framework to prevent fraud, corruption and bribery in the supply chain

Recognition: Builds internal recognition and credibility for the procurement function to generate stronger buy-in and investment for systems and staff

External Verification: Demonstrates procurement and supply capability.