

PRE-COMMERCIAL PROCUREMENT

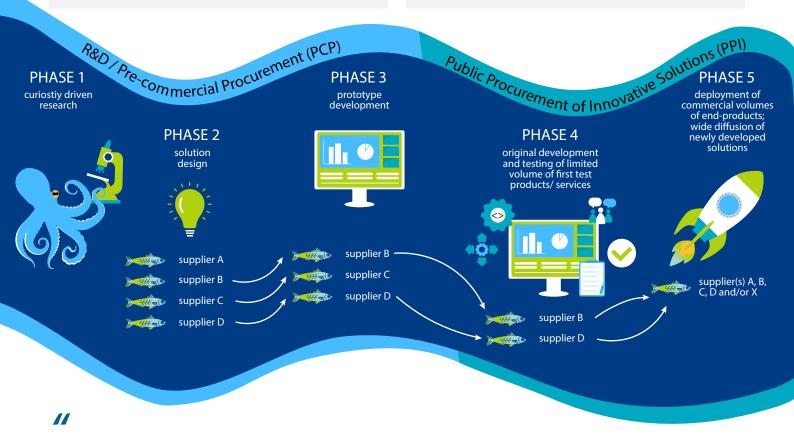
Pre-commercial procurement (PCP)

involves a series of competitive procurement phases from solution exploration and design to validation/testing of a limited set of first products. It is used by public authorities to address societal challenges and meet public needs through the acquisition of innovative solutions that are not yet commercially available.

PUBLIC PROCUREMENT OF INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS

Public procurement of innovative solutions (PPI) concerns the phase when a product, service or process has been developed, but is not yet available on a large-scale commercial basis. It is thus complementary as a possible next step to PCP. PPI therefore facilitates wide diffusion of innovative solutions on the market.

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EuropeWave is an R&D programme for wave energy technology, supported by nearly €20 million in national, regional, and EU funding. It uses a Pre-Commercial Procurement (PCP) model, originally developed by Wave Energy Scotland, to promote collaboration and risk-sharing between the public sector and technology developers. The focus is on designing and demonstrating cost-effective wave energy converter systems for reliable power generation in challenging ocean conditions.