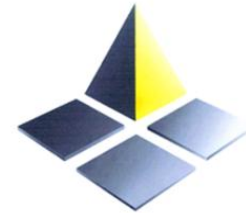


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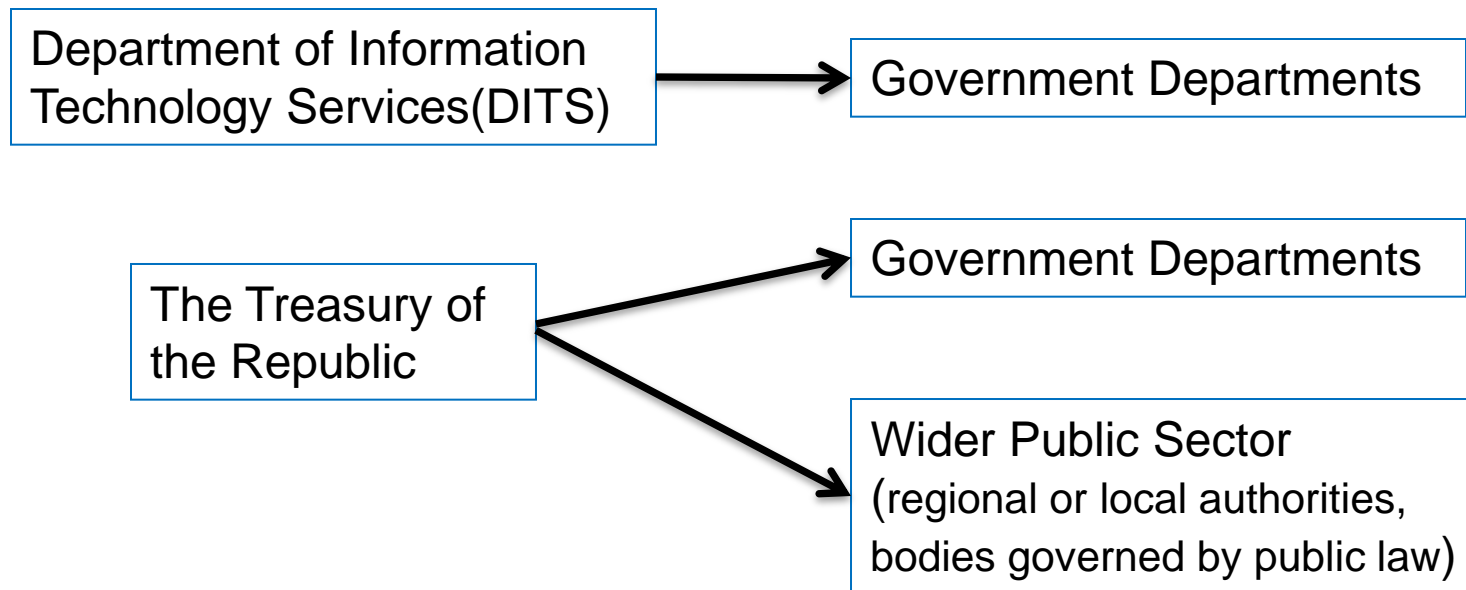


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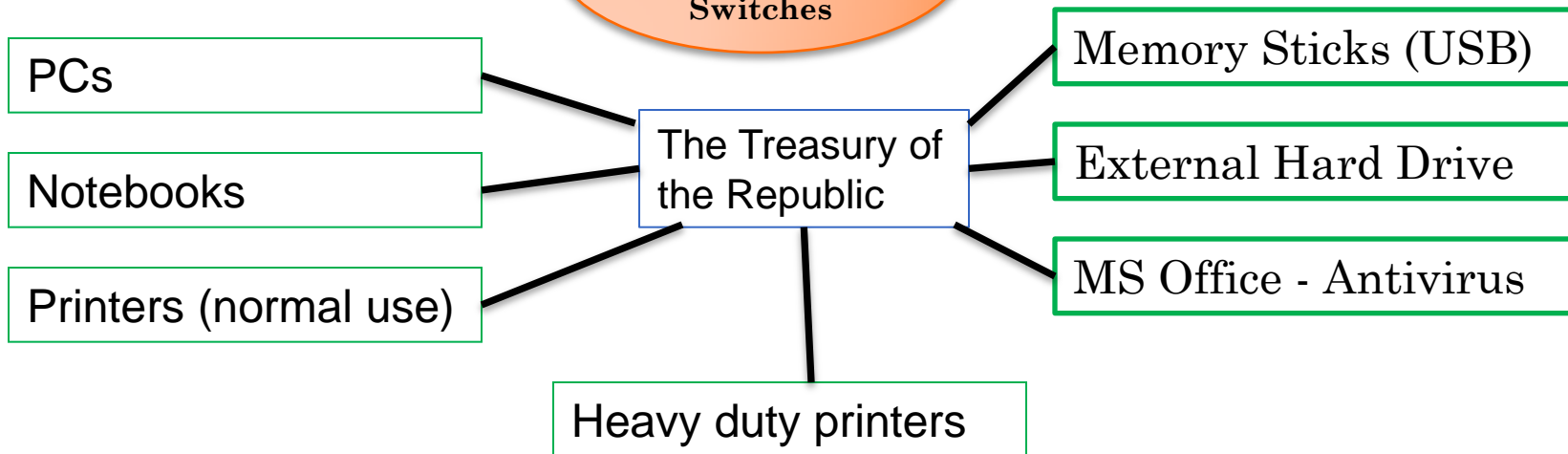
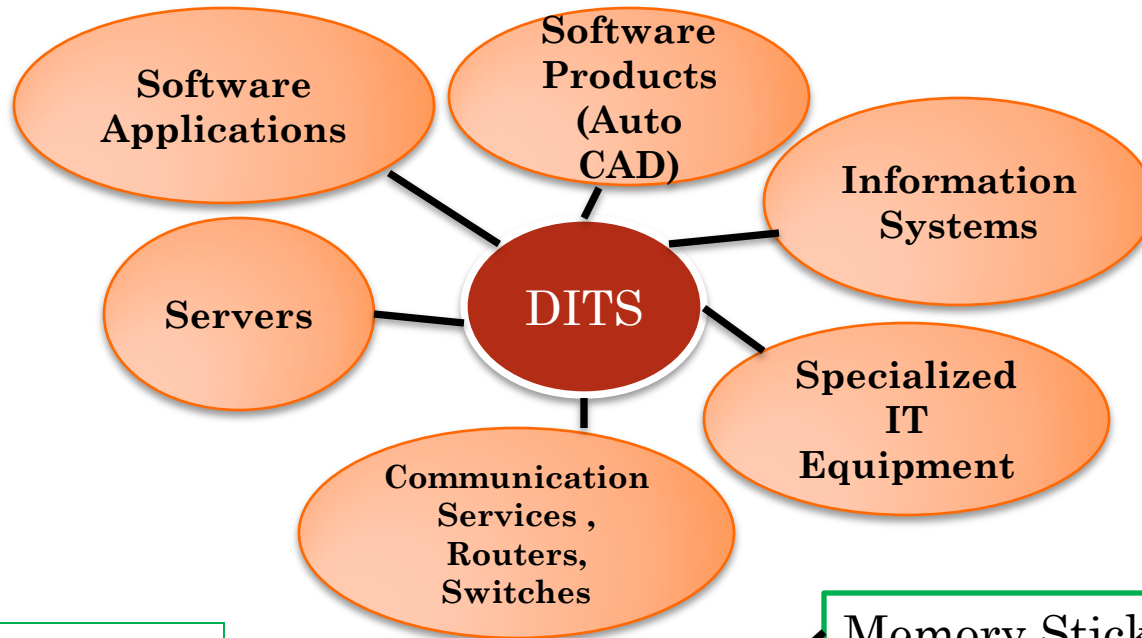
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PURCHASING OF ICT IN PUBLIC SECTOR IN CYPRUS

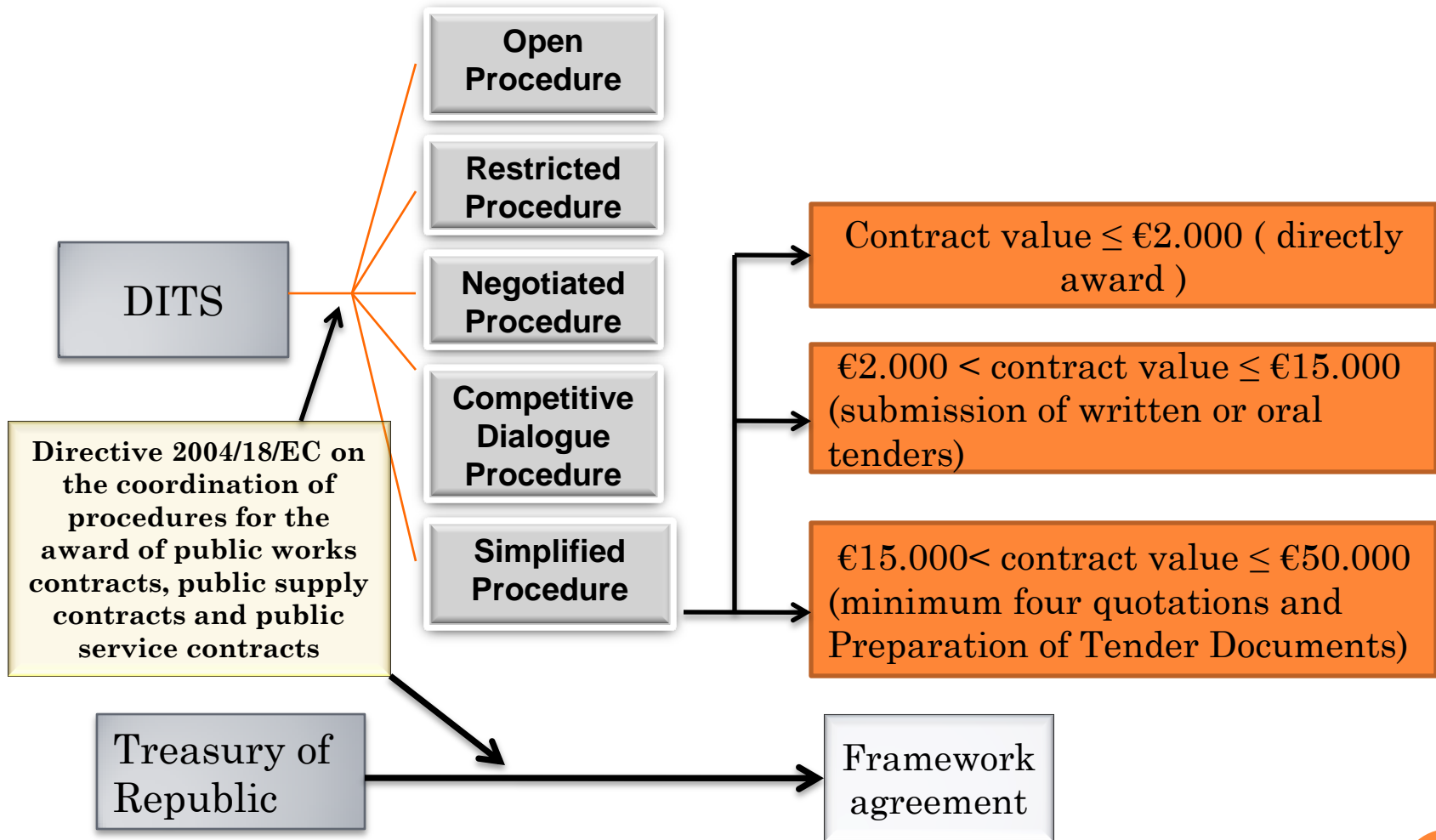
- Centralized management and purchasing of ICT equipment
- 2 Contracting Authorities



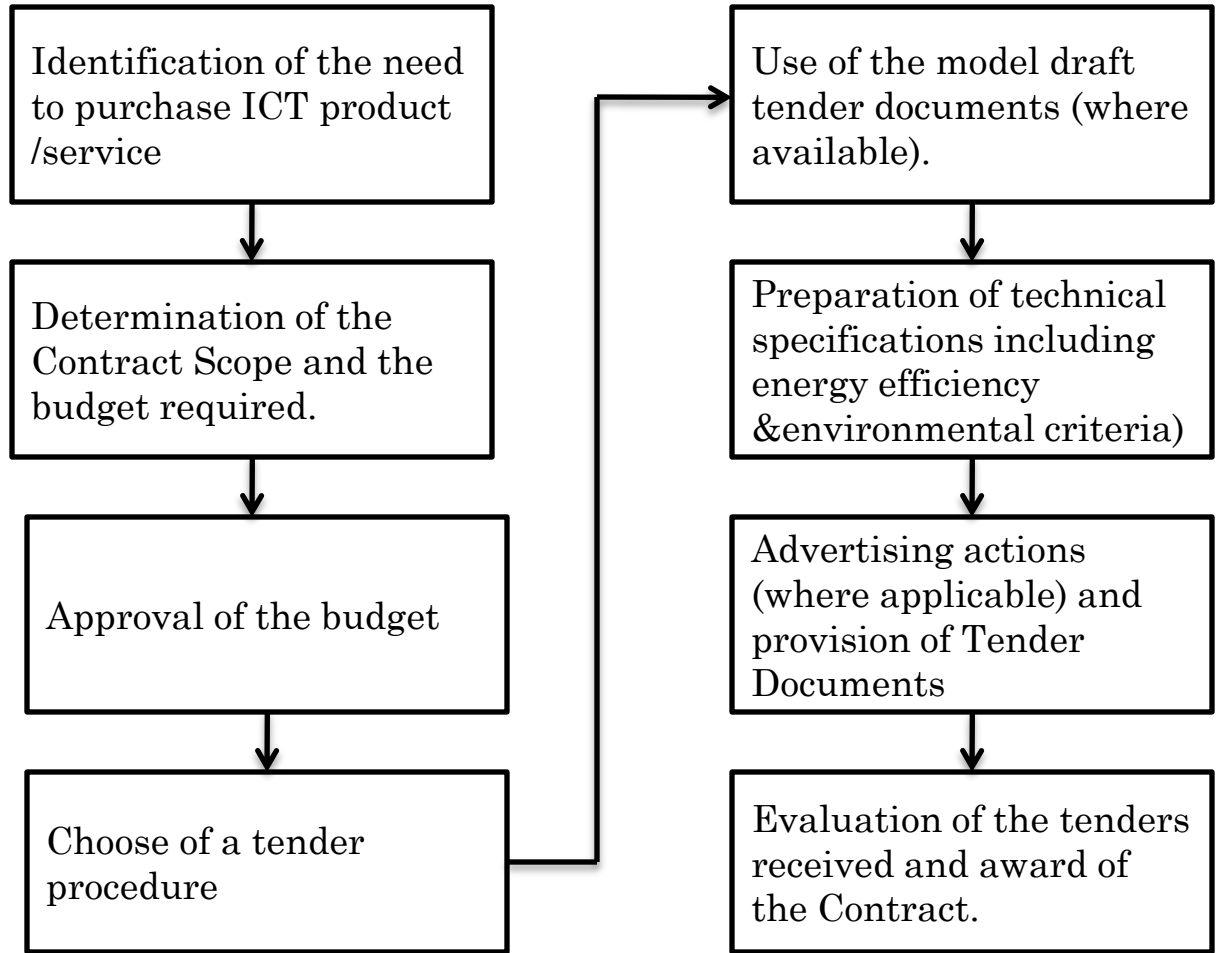
RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES/ TYPE OF PRODUCTS/SERVICES PURCHASED



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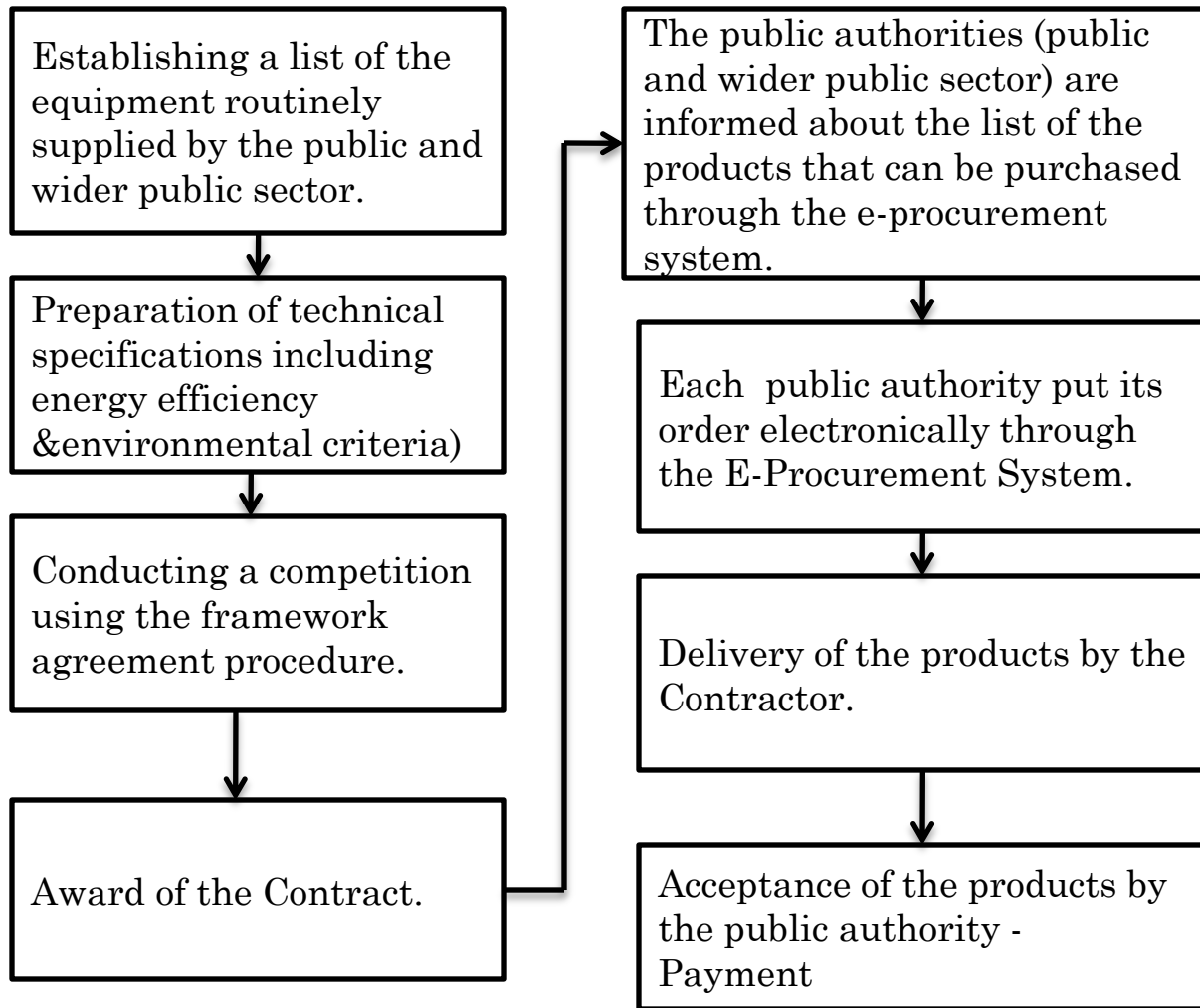


PROCEDURE OF PURCHASING ICT EQUIPMENT THROUGH DITS



In Cyprus from 2009 is available an e-procurement system that is a total solution for the implementation of electronic procedures in conducting public procurement competitions.

PROCEDURE OF PURCHASING ICT EQUIPMENT THROUGH THE TREASURY OF THE REPUBLIC



In the e-Procurement System of the Republic of Cyprus was awarded in 2009 and 2010 the Good Practice Label amongst the e-procurement systems of the Member States of the EU.

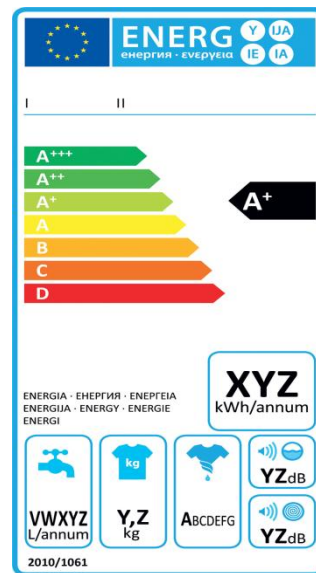


TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS / ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND ENVIRONMENTAL CRITERIA

- ❑ E.U. Legislation
- ❑ National Legislation

1st Action Plan for Green Public Procurement adopted in Cyprus in 2007. New version published in 2012.

- ❑ Green Public Procurement Criteria



BENEFITS OF USING ENERGY EFFICIENCY ICT PRODUCTS IN PUBLIC SECTOR

- Environmentally friendly systems.
- Energy & Cost saving systems.
- Technologically advanced Systems.
- Increase productivity.
- Improvement of working environment.
- Development of new technologies.
- Creation of new jobs.
- Modernization of the operations.

CHALLENGES OF USING ENERGY EFFICIENCY IN ICT IN PUBLIC SECTOR

- Coordination and cooperation between Public Authorities.
- Implementation of the policies regarding Energy efficiency and ICT equipment.
- Setting common GPP criteria.
- Provision of legal and operational guidance.
- Ensuring political support.
- Replacement of old energy inefficient equipment (due to lack of funds and human resources).
- Resistance for change within the public authorities.
- Expanding the legislation in wider public sector.

SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENTS

- More Green Public Procurement
- Development of a centralised purchasing process.
 - Uniformity and consistency in the specifications
 - Easier to apply EU and National Legislation
 - Easier to apply a Tender Procedure (only experts involved).
 - Saving human and money resources.
 - Easier for the private sector to participate in the process.
- Funding by E.U. for replacing old energy-inefficient equipment.
- Putting more pressure to politicians for supporting such policies and actions.
- Encouraging and supporting the manufacturers to develop more energy-efficient equipment

Thank you for your attention!

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The EU financial thresholds relating to Supplies, Services and Works that are valid until 31/12/2013

Table 1: EU Thresholds for Public Contracts

	Supplies (€)	Services (€)	Works (€)
Contracting Authorities of Central Government	130.000	130.000	5.000.000
Contracting Authorities of Wider Public Sector (regional or local authorities, bodies governed by public law)	200.000	200.000	5.000.000
Indicative Notices	750.000	750.000	5.000.000
Small Lots	80.000	80.000	1.000.000

Table 2: EU Thresholds for Utilities Contracts

	Supplies (€)	Services (€)	Works (€)
All Sectors	400.000	400.000	5.000.000
Indicative Notices	750.000	750.000	5.000.000
Small Lots	80.000	80.000	1.000.000

The following points should be noted in respect of the thresholds:

- the EU thresholds are mandatory;
- These thresholds are reviewed by the EU every two years
- all amounts are stated exclusive of VAT;
- Indicative notices relate to early warning notices of the procurement, i.e. a Prior Information Notice (PIN).
- Small lots refer to large contracts that are divided into smaller lots, usually to encourage SMEs/SEs to bid for them.