## LIFE FUTURE

Sustainable Urban FUrniTURE: Tool design to perform environmental assessments in the green procurement framework



## LIFE FUTURE PROJECT IN A NUTSHELL

LIFE FUTURE is a 39 month long European project that started in 2015. It aims to promote green public procurement, focusing on urban furniture. The objective is to overcome the difficulties encountered by procurers when including environmental clauses in calls for tenders and assessing the offers received.

To reach this objective, an online tool will be developed and validated during the project: the Green Urban Furniture Tool (GUF Tool). It will be used to perform real public procurements of at least 200 urban furniture products during the project.

The main expected results of the project are the following:

- GUF Tool accessible both to public bodies and urban furniture suppliers through the project website
- Validation and demonstration of the environmental, economic and social benefits of the GUF Tool
- Reduction of the environmental impacts of the urban furniture purchased by public bodies: 26.5% for global warming, 15.5% for energy consumption and 10.8% for waste generation

## **PROJECT'S PROGRESS**

Identification and environmental characterization of the different elements of urban furniture

Design and development of the GUF Tool

Development of guidelines and support materials to be used by public bodies for the inclusion of environmental clauses in their purchasing procedures

Pilot implementation and practical demonstration through real public procurements of urban furniture using the GUF Tool

Dissemination of the results, including training seminars aimed at public bodies

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100 %

LAS NAVES

## **PROJECT DELIVERABLES**



Discover the <u>GUF Tool online</u>! and learn how to use it by watching the video tutorial.



Both the City Council of Valencia and the City of Koprivnica acquired benches using the GUF Tool to set the requirements, to compare the bidding, and go through the buying process.



Report on the selected products and their specifications (technical description)



Report on the current situation of the urban furniture sector related to GPP



Browse the <u>list of 37 organisations</u> who supported the LIFE FUTURE project by becoming a stakeholder.





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