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Work-Package 6: Public Sector Food Procurement and School Food (Primary)



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Our Research plans....

Each country will undertake two ‘paired’ case studies of school meal procurement, in which..

- ❖ **Case 1 = ‘low cost’ procurement model (i.e. where contract prioritises low price over other criteria)**
- ❖ **Case 2 = ‘alternative’ procurement model (i.e. where contract places importance on health/sustainability criteria, e.g. use of local/small suppliers, organic produce)**
- ❖ Undertake comparison of the outcomes of each case, to evaluate advantages/disadvantages of different procurement models with respect to a range of sustainability indicators (environmental, social, economic, nutritional)





What impacts we aim to assess...



	For example...
Health/Nutritional	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nutritional content of school meals• Pupil behaviour and absences
Environmental	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Levels of plate & packaging waste• Carbon emissions from supply chain (transport related)• Carbon emissions from supply chain (production related)
Economic	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Levels of cash flow in local economy (local multiplier LM3)• Revenues/margins of catering company• Revenues/margins of suppliers• Employment levels in supply chain• New business won from reputational enhancement
Social	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Skills, training & job satisfaction amongst catering staff• Skills, training & job satisfaction amongst supplier staff• Social connections of school, catering staff, supply chain and (wider) local community• Diversity of workforce



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Year 1 Pilot





WP9: Pilot Implementation and demonstration activities

To demonstrate and validate the potential of policies and schemes to stimulate development of new quality markets and local food chains to include improved nutritional benefits of PSFP and to evaluate their likely sustainability through pilot actions.





Task 9.1.2.- Public Sector Food Procurement Pilot school meals initiative in Croatia using schools with gardens

Aims to:

- ❖ encourage more nutritious **habits** in children
- ❖ increase **awareness** of regional, seasonal and organic fruit and vegetable
 - ❖ **improve** children's uptake and **long-term acceptance** of nutritious school meals
 - ❖ **measure impact of intervention** through workshops, games and IT resources on short term and longer term food habits

