



Developing Procurement Capability

A Proposal for the
Coordinated Development
of a National University
Procurement Training and
Development Program



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- The rationale: -
- The AUPC Executive Committee has identified variable levels of knowledge and expertise amongst those who practice procurement or purchasing as a barrier to achieving consistent professional practice in the sector.



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- The plan: -



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- Identify, from a range of sources, a list of procurement competencies or capabilities
 - That cover all procurement activities from the most basic to the most sophisticated
 - That cover people whose full-time role is procurement and those for whom procurement is only a small part of their role



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- Potential sources of procurement competency descriptors:
 - Commonwealth and state governments (e.G. QLD purchasing)
 - Private sector
 - Professional associations (e.G. CIPSA)
 - Sample [national procurement competencies.Doc](#)



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- Consult with interested stakeholders
 - On the list of competencies and check their applicability to the university sector
 - On the levels of competency that apply to different role types



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- Publish an agreed schedule of higher education procurement competencies
- Engage an appropriate provider to develop an on-line training program
- Offer the program to universities



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- Funding:
 - Apply for WPP funding
- Timeframes:
 - To be determined