



# Sustainability Assessment for Procurement

**Sustainability and transparency support global sustainable development. AFRY's Sustainability Assessment for Procurement helps to make the most suitable decision.**

Have you ever thought how huge impact an organization or a company has on the world by its procurement measures? The impact may be harmful to the world's sustainable development, or support it, depending on one's supply chains. As sustainability is at the heart of AFRY's operations, we want to help our customers achieve their sustainability goals. With AFRY's Sustainability Assessment for Procurement (SUSAP), our experts can support the selection of suppliers and equipment more holistically and ensure that the procurement decision is in line with our customer's responsibility goals.

## Evaluating the sustainability performance of suppliers

Choosing suppliers and making investments are essential parts of a project. When selecting a potential supplier and the equipment, evaluation is often made based only on economic and technical factors. Assessing the sustainability of products can be challenging, as offerings may vary greatly between tenders. In order to choose the most sustainable options, it is important to evaluate the sustainability of the products from a life-cycle perspective.

AFRY's Sustainability Assessment for Procurement helps to make a decision based on sustainability criteria with a variety of different aspects. It also contributes to the implementation of the sustainability work in your organization's strategy. The assessment evaluates the performance of comparable suppliers from a sustainable perspective and contributes to the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

## AFRY's systematic evaluating procedure for procurement

AFRY has developed a systematic procedure for

evaluating the sustainability of different options when making procurement decisions. We provide professional help for organizations to make the best possible choices in the procurement. This can be a separate service or a part of an investment project in an agreed scale. AFRY's Sustainability Assessment for Procurement does not only evaluate the suppliers at the company level. It also assesses the options at the equipment level in accordance with the Ecodesign requirements and standard ISO 14040 "ISO 14040:2006 Environmental management — Life cycle assessment — Principles and framework".

AFRY's Sustainability Assessment for Procurement offers comprehensive evaluation of potential suppliers and equipment with selected sustainability criteria from economic, environmental and social aspects. It indicates, for example, if the manufacturing of the equipment does not use critical natural resources or that the device or its components can be used at the end of its service life. Criteria can be customized to highlight the values that have high importance to the client. Compared to a standard technical evaluation, the sustainability assessment gives broader perspective when making investments.

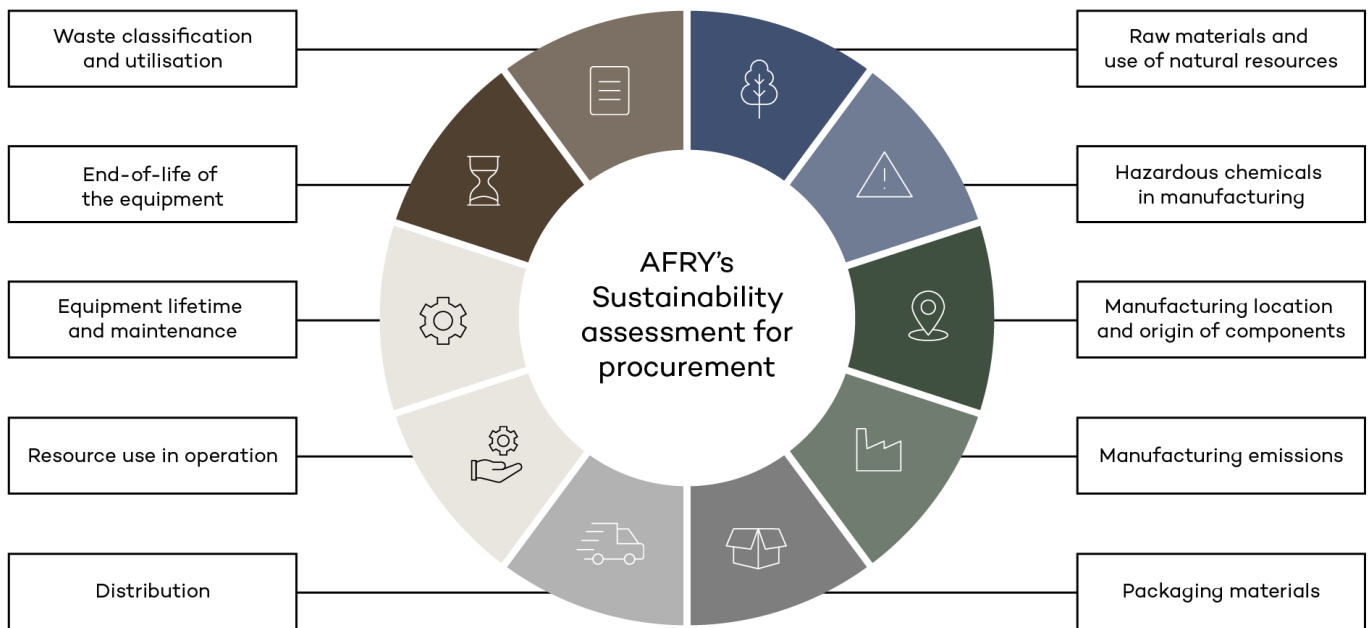
## The most comprehensive view with sustainability assessment

Once the required equipment has been defined, the client-specific approach is applied to the sustainability evaluation of parallel options. Starting from raw materials, finishing to the disposal of the product, including all the steps in between. Data is collected both from suppliers through a questionnaire and by obtaining available public information. After receiving data, the options are rated based on the answers on their current status and willingness to develop their sustainability performance. Together with technical comparison, the sustainability assessment gives a comprehensive view that helps to make the most suitable and sustainable decision for the project.



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As a result, the assessment highlights possible critical findings in a visual report and gives recommendations of the most suitable equipment and supplier.



## Helping our clients to achieve their sustainability goals

AFRY has a long history of designing sustainable solutions for future generations. We have offered technical consulting in projects for decades. Because responsibility is at the core of our operations, we want to help our customers achieve their sustainability goals.

When adding sustainability assessment to an investment project, our professionals can make sure the suppliers' sustainability performance is in line with the clients' sustainability goals.