



## Art. 1 - Object

On the occasion of the Forum Compraverde Buygreen - which will be held **on May 14-15, 2025 at the WeGil in Rome - the Compraverde Buygreen Award, Vendor Rating and Sustainable Purchasing Section**, is being announced for companies that have distinguished themselves in increasing appropriate economic, social and environmental sustainability criteria in the process of qualification, research and selection suppliers and in the choice of goods and services to be purchased.

## Art. 2 - Purpose

The Compraverde Award for the Vendor Rating and Sustainable Purchasing Section aims to incentivize, disseminate and enhance the best experiences of green purchasing and sustainable supplier management in the national and international territory. The Award is intended to be a recognition given annually to companies that have distinguished themselves by systematically adopting sustainability criteria in their purchasing processes and in the qualification of their suppliers.

## Art. 3 - Target audience

The recipients of the notice of competition will be divided into two types:

- Small and medium-sized enterprises - up to 250 employees in the reporting year;
- Large enterprises-more than 250 employees in the reference year.

## Art. 4 - Categories and mentions

**4.1** The types of recipients indicated in Article 3 can apply for the Compraverde Award, Vendor Rating and Sustainable Purchasing Section. There are two categories:

- Small and Medium Enterprises;
- Large Enterprises.

**4.2** 4.2 The Technical Scientific Committee (TSC) reserves the right to award a "special mention," relation to specific environmental (energy, waste, pe- ricous substanc- es, climate,...) or social (organizational behavior, supplier training, ethical criteria,...) aspects, rewarding the adoption of particularly meritorious and effective practices.

## Art. 5 - Participation Requirements

The eligibility criteria for the call for applications are:

- having adopted concrete procedures and actions for choosing suppliers and goods and services based on environmental and ethical-social as well as economic aspects during the period from January 2023 to April 2025;
- adherence to the deadlines stipulated in the call applications and submission supporting documentation.

Winners of the Compraverde Award, Vendor Rating and Sustainable Procurement 2024 Section are not eligible for the 2025 Award. Having already participated in or won other similar competitions does not result exclusion from the competition.

## Art. 6 - Modalities of participation

In order to participate in the Compraverde Award, Vendor Rating and Sustainable Purchasing Section, it is necessary to submit, by **Thursday, April 24, 2025 at 6 p.m.**, documentation consisting in: the **online form** and a **descriptive report** illustrating the methods and practices adopted to introduce environmental and social criteria into purchasing and/or to qualify and evaluate suppliers taking into account sustainability criteria (max. 4 pages/10,000 characters including spaces) accompanied by all supporting documentation deemed useful to send for evaluation purposes (e.g. purchasing policies, purchasing specifications, supply contracts, communication materials for suppliers, etc.). All documentation must be attached to the online form, after connecting to a Gmail account.

The documentation can be written in the following languages: italian, english, french and spanish. If the documentation is not complete, before the fixed deadline, the Secretariat will contact the persons who sent the application to perfect the request to participate. For further information and technical support, it is possible to contact the award secretariat via email at **premi@forumcompraverde.it**

## Art. 7 - Evaluation criteria

The evaluation will take into account the size of the organisation, and therefore the specific competition section (see art. 4.1) for which the company is competing. Both the system for selecting and qualifying suppliers and goods and services, and all other activities related to the management of the environmental and social impacts of the supply chain may be evaluated. All actions that are relevant to the implementation and systematic introduction of sustainability criteria in the purchase, use and consumption of goods and services, in the evaluation of suppliers, as well as actions for the involvement of stakeholders (employees, suppliers, local community) will be taken into consideration.

In particular:

- Actions implementing sustainable procurement within the organization such as:
  - formal corporate commitments to implement sustainable procurement;
  - action plans for sustainable procurement;
  - monitoring of sustainable procurement;
  - training meetings for internal staff;

- forms of encouraging employees and purchasing managers to adopt sustainability criteria.
- Actions for qualification, selection and evaluation of suppliers:
  - introduction of sustainability criteria in qualification and selection processes;
  - adoption of sustainable vendor rating systems;
  - adoption of “green” catalogs and supplier register;
  - monitoring the sustainability performance of suppliers.
- Actions for involvement and awareness:
  - roundtable discussions with suppliers;
  - creation of sustainable supplier communities;
  - customer/user communication and awareness campaigns;
  - green purchasing incentives.

#### **Art. 8 - Prize**

Overall, the competition will have one or more winners per category and possible special mentions (see 4.2) designated by the TSC. The winners of the Compraverde Award, Vendor Rating and Sustainable Purchasing Section will receive the following prizes:

- award certificate that will contain a concise valuation of the TSC;
- use of the Award logo in all institutional communications, for two years from the date of the award.

The award ceremony will take place during a dedicated event within the Forum Compraverde Buygreen.

#### **Art. 9 - Method of communication to the winners**

Winners of the competition and those who were mentioned will be notified by telephone and telematics (email) **by May 9, 2025**.

#### **Art. 10 - Obligations of participation**

By sending the application form and the documentation necessary for admission to the competition, participants assume the obligation to:

- accept all the regulations in the announcement;
- do not request the return of submitted materials;
- grant the organizers the ability to use the contents of the submitted material, with citation of the source;
- in case of recognition, attend the award ceremony in person.

#### **Art. 11 - Tasks and composition of the Technical Scientific Committee**

The TSC will be composed of three representatives from the GPPnet National Green Purchasing Working Group, a representative from ReMade in Italy, and an expert on sustainability tools for businesses. The Technical Scientific Committee will evaluate the materials received and designate the winners. The decision of the TSC, as well as its working methods, is final and unchallengeable.

#### **Art. 12 - Functions and contacts of the Compraverde Prize Secretariat**

The Prize Secretariat assists the Technical Scientific Committee in the evaluation activities, provides clarifications with respect to the contents of these regulations, and takes care of communications with participants, winners and those mentioned.



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