



Press release

Launch of the Call for Tenders



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PCP WISE Launches Call for Tenders to Drive Innovation in Water Management

The PCP WISE [Public Buyers Group](#) announces the official launch of its [Call for Tenders](#) to co-develop **next-generation water intelligence products and services** using Earth Observation (EO). The tender procedure opened with the **publication of the [contract notice](#) and [tender documents](#)** on **5 September 2025**. Interested suppliers have until **7 January 2026, 17:00 CET** to submit proposals.

As a **three-phase Pre-Commercial Procurement (PCP)**, PCP WISE will fund **R&D services—from solution design, prototype development, to field validation—targeting TRL 8**. The goal: Innovative **EO-powered intelligence solutions** to monitor the Soil-Water-Vegetation system (SWV) and **predict, prevent, and manage related crises** such as floods, fires, and droughts. This initiative leverages **public procurement** to transform **cutting-edge research into scalable, real-world tools** for European cities, water boards, and agencies.

Why This Call for Tenders Matters

Climate change is increasing the occurrence and severity of **floods, droughts, fires, land and building subsidence**. PCP WISE fosters **cross-sector collaboration** between public authorities, end-users communities, and private innovators to ensure research and technology deliver real-world impact.

Key Benefits for Suppliers & Innovators

- **Funding & Market Validation** – R&D support and operational validation with end users.
- **Co-development process** – Collaboration with public buyers to develop solutions addressing operational needs.
- **Scalability & Commercialisation** – Potential for future procurement across Europe.

Zoom on the Five PCP WISE Use Cases

The PCP WISE Call for Tenders targets **five critical use cases** that reflect the PCP WISE's Public Buyers Group most pressing water-related challenges:

1. **Urban Drought (North-West Europe)** – Managing water shortages through groundwater monitoring, resilient infrastructure, and climate adaptation.
2. **Urban Water Excess (East-North Europe)** – Tackling floods and stormwater with real-time monitoring, risk assessment, and planning tools.
3. **Rural Drought (North-West and East Europe)** – Addressing agricultural drought with wildfire prediction, soil moisture tracking, and precision irrigation.
4. **Rural Drought/Flooding (South Europe)** – Managing seasonal droughts and heavy rainfall with improved allocation, flood prevention, and farm resilience.
5. **Rural Drought/Flooding (North Europe)** – Mitigating groundwater fluctuations, land subsidence, peat degradation, and underground fire risks.

Procurement Approach and Phases

Coordinated and led by **Het Waterschapshuis (hWh, NL)** - the central IT and innovation organisation for Dutch water authorities - with a consortium of **11 other European public buyers**, the PCP runs in three competitive phases:





PCP Phase	Contractors	Duration	Budget per contractor	Total Budget
Phase 1 : Solution Design	5	4 months	300.000,00 €	€1,500,000.00
Phase 2 : Prototype Development & Lab Testing	3	11 months	2.400.000,00 €	€7,200,000.00
Phase 3: Validation & Demonstration	2	6 months	1.532.669,40 €	€3,065,338.80
Total (excl. VAT)				€11,765,338.80

Key Dates at a Glance

- **5 September 2025** – Publication of contract notice in [TED](#) and tender documents available for download both on the [Lead Procurer's e-procurement platform](#) and on the [PCP WISE website](#)
- **15 September 2025 & 11 November 2025**– Info webinars (*Register [here](#) for the first webinar. Information about registration for the second webinar will be provided later.*)
- **24 October 2025** – Deadline for submitting questions about the Tender documents on the [e-procurement platform](#) (*only questions asked through the e-procurement platform will be answered*).
- **7 January 2026 (17:00)** – **Deadline for submission of Suppliers' bids**
- **9 January 2026** – Opening of tenders received
- **2 March 2026** – Signature of framework agreements and phase 1 specific contracts with selected suppliers. Publication of the contract award notice in TED.

Subsequent phases begin **20 July 2026 (Phase 2)** and **30 June 2027 (Phase 3)**.

Please refer to the [Request for Tenders \(TD1\) section 2.6](#) for the complete time schedule.

Who Can Apply & How to Submit

- **Language:** All tenders must be submitted **in English** and all amounts must be stated **in euros**.
- **Submission platform:** [TUTTOGARE PA e-Procurement platform](#) (see the [Quick User Guide](#)).
- **Forms:** Use the official tender forms [TD8](#), [TD9](#), [TD10](#), [TD11](#), [TD12](#).

Important: The dates and times indicated in the Request for Tenders are binding. Any updates will be communicated by the Lead Procurer via official notices published on the e-procurement platform and the PCP WISE website.

What Information & Documents to Expect

Beyond the [contract notice](#) and [tender documents](#) which provide comprehensive documentation to support potential bidders, all interested parties are also encouraged to watch the [recordings](#) and access the [presentations](#) of the [Webstival](#) webinars, [Info Day](#), and Open Market Consultation [online](#) and [hybrid](#) events.

A dedicated [Q&A section](#) on the PCP WISE website can also provide clarifications for bidders.

Interested stakeholders are also invited to register for matchmaking and updates via the [PCP WISE Community Platform](#).



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