

## Country case: Consultation with suppliers by the Chilean central purchasing body ChileCompra

### Description

Prior to issuing a tender, ChileCompra carries out an open consultation process with suppliers, which it announces online at [www.mercadopublico.cl](http://www.mercadopublico.cl). The consultation aims to obtain information about prices, the characteristics of the required goods or services, the time that bidders need to prepare, and any other information that might contribute to a successful tendering process.

ChileCompra has, in addition, an online forum with questions and answers for each tender in advance of deadlines for submitting bids. The forum is particularly practical for providers who are geographically distant from the capital city, where ChileCompra's offices are located, and need remote access to questions and answers. The forum ensures transparency and supports equitable treatment and fair competition.

Source: OECD (2016), [Fighting Bid Rigging in Public Procurement: Report on Implementing the OECD Recommendation](#), OECD Publishing, Paris.

Public Procurement  
Principle: **Participation,  
E-procurement**

Procurement Stage:  
**Pre-tendering**

Audience: **Policy Maker,  
Procuring Entity, Private  
Sector**