Green Public Procurement in EU Funds and the Commission's own procurement

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Why talk about GPP today?

Strong political mandate from the **Circular Economy Package** *(2015):*

"The Commission will take action on Green Public Procurement (GPP), by emphasising circular economy aspects in new or revised criteria, supporting higher uptake of GPP, and **leading by example in its own procurement and in EU funding***."*

Approx. 14% of EU GDP is spent via PP

And of course because...
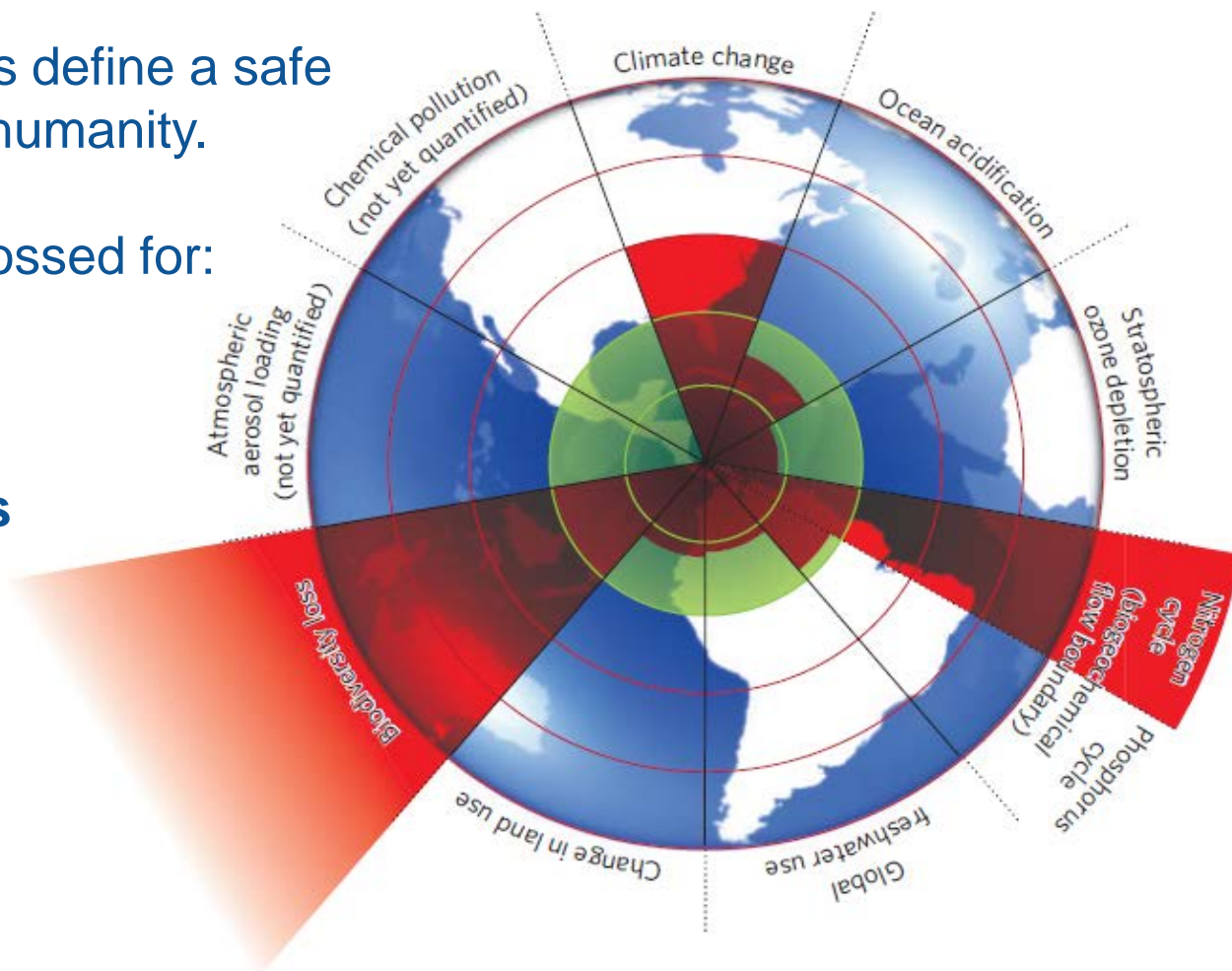
Planetary boundaries define a safe operating space for humanity.

These have been crossed for:

- **Climate change**

- **Biodiversity loss**

- **Nitrogen cycle**

Communication (2008)
Public Procurement for a Better Environment

- Political **target**: **50%** of tendering procedures to be green (by 2010)

- Common **EU GPP criteria** for priority products and services

- Legal/operational **Guidance**

- GPP National Action Plans

20+ EU GPP Criteria

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Cleaning products and services*

Computer and Monitors* NEW

Office Buildings NEW

Transport
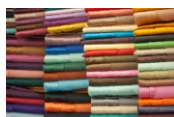
Furniture*

Electricity

Food & Catering services

Textiles*

Gardening products and services

*= also EU Ecolabel criteria available

20+ EU GPP Criteria

Wall panels

Water based heaters*

Waste water infrastructures

Flushing Toilets&Urinals*

Imaging Equipment*

Roads NEW

Combined Heat & Power

Street lighting and traffic signals

Indoor lighting

Sanitary tapware*

EEE Health care sector

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EU GPP Criteria

- Criteria sets developed for 21 priority product groups since 2008

- 7 currently under revision/development

- Two levels of ambition: "core" and "comprehensive" = light/dark green

- Vast majority of product groups of relevance for the Commission's own procurement/some for EU Funds

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GPP **information** sources

GPP Newsletter

Buying Green Handbook NEW April 2016!

DG ENV GPP website

- Full sets of EU GPP criteria and background reports in 20+ languages
- More than 100 GPP Examples
- News and upcoming events

HELP DESK:

In EN, FR, DE ***gpp-helpdesk@iclei.org***

Buying **green!**
A handbook on green public procurement
3rd Edition

EU Green Public Procurement Policy

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