

ASSESSMENT OF THE PUBLIC PROCUREMENT SECTOR IN UKRAINE'S ECONOMIC SYSTEM

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Abstract. *The article examines the current state and dynamics of the public procurement system in Ukraine, focusing on its analytical support, efficiency, and transparency. Key aspects of the functioning of the electronic system Prozorro are analyzed, and statistical indicators for 2023 are evaluated, including the level of competition, the share of successful procedures, the participation of foreign companies, and the impact of current legislation. Special attention is given to the transformations in the procurement sector during martial law, including the simplification of procedures and the reduction of tender transparency. The challenges and prospects for improving public procurement in the context of ongoing changes and the need to ensure national security are highlighted.*

Keywords: *public procurement, electronic system Prozorro, procurement efficiency, analytical support for statistical conclusions, qualitative data analysis*

The article provides a comprehensive analysis of the current state and development prospects of the public procurement sector in Ukraine amid economic transformation and profound socio-political changes caused by the full-scale war. Particular attention is given to the impact of martial law on the procurement system, including the introduction of temporary procedures and the easing of transparency requirements. At the center of the study is the Prozorro electronic system, which, despite the challenges, continues to play a key role in ensuring openness, accessibility, and public oversight of procurement processes.

Based on statistical data for 2023, the authors examine competition levels, the dynamics of supplier participation, changes in the number of contracting authorities, procurement methods, the involvement of non-resident participants, and expenditure structures by categories of goods, works, and services. A comparative analysis of the effectiveness of various procurement procedures—competitive and non-competitive—is conducted using parameters such as expected value, performance outcomes, number of participants, and competition level.

Special emphasis is placed on integrating international practices into procurement assessment, particularly the World Bank's Benchmarking Public

Procurement methodology, which enables objective cross-country comparison of procurement system efficiency. The authors highlight the need to adapt such approaches to Ukraine's realities, considering national security risks, limited access to open information during wartime, and the strategic significance of public spending.

The study also substantiates the importance of enhancing the analytical support of procurement—ranging from the collection and processing of statistical data to the introduction of qualitative performance indicators that reflect not only economic outcomes but also social and institutional impacts. The authors conclude that the effective post-war reform of Ukraine's public procurement system must be grounded in the principles of transparency, economic efficiency, integrity, and resilience to external threats. Future development should focus on improving the regulatory framework, implementing a risk-based approach, and strengthening the institutional capacity of procurement stakeholders.

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