

## january newsletter

### news headlines

› **Ethical Procurement for Health: Guidance & Toolkit**

The NHS purchasing and supply agency (PASA) has published the first ever national guidance on ethical procurement in healthcare for consultation on 8 December. 'Ethical Procurement for Health' aims to provide procurers with a flexible framework and toolkit to help them develop policies, good practice and performance monitoring, and to exert a positive influence on employment conditions and employee welfare within their supply chains.

› **Quintain starts recycling revolution at Wembley City**

Understand how the UK's first automated waste collection system could revolutionise waste management procurement through increasing efficiency and reducing carbon emissions.

› **British engineers invent carbon negative cement**

Cement production is currently responsible for more than 5% of global CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Find out how you could apply Novacem's invention in your supply chain to become a significant absorber of carbon dioxide.

› **Understand how your organisation could benefit from a range of sustainable procurement training courses provided by Action Sustainability**

In addition to our CPD sustainable procurement training course (accredited by IEMA), we deliver a wide range of bespoke sustainable procurement training courses tailored to achieve your specific objectives. Training modules include supplier engagement & measurement, action planning against the flexible framework, Forward Commitments plus many more.

### upcoming events

**CPD accredited sustainable procurement training courses**

Practical and hands on training that will enable you to discover the tools and techniques of sustainable procurement.

- > 20th January, London
- > 11th March, Derby
- > 17th March, London
- > 25th March, Manchester

**eWorld Purchasing and Supply, 24th - 25th February 2008, London**

eWorld Purchasing & Supply is the UK's leading event focusing on the use of leading-edge technologies and techniques within the procurement & supply chain functions.

**Ecobuild & Futurebuild 2009, 3rd - 5th March 2009, Earls Court, London**

The world's biggest event dedicated to sustainable design, construction and the built environment.

**Sourcing Sustainable Solutions, 18th March 2009, London**

Increase the sustainability of your supply chain and discover innovative suppliers who can lessen your environmental impact. Our Sourcing Sustainable Solutions event in London will help you do just that.

**EcoProcura 2009: Climate neutral through procurement, 25th-27th March 2009, Reykjavic, Iceland**

The aim of this conference is to exchange ideas, experiences, concepts and opinions on how sustainable procurement can contribute to reducing greenhouse gas emissions and adaptation to climate change.

### case studies

**Birse Civils**

Birse Civils was the first civil engineering company to sign up to Envirolink Northwest's Buy Recycled Code. Find out how their commitment to sustainable procurement is enabling them to reduce time and costs on their construction projects.

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