Ukraine Accession to the GPA

Based on accession commitment that Ukraine will start negotiating accession to GPA 3 years after it joins the WTO.

Formal process started 29 February 2009 to implement the commitment.

Public procurement Chapters were negotiated in parallel with EFTA and the EU on DCFTA.
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Ukrainian Government has clear objectives:

- new market access opportunities for businesses
- improved and strengthened legal framework for PP with increased transparency of the market
- simplification of procedures and aligning them with best international practices
- create predictable rules of competition in the country and ensure the same level playing field for national companies to be able to compete for contracts in other countries
- counteraction corruption in the area of PP
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What share of national budget we are talking?

In EU it averages from 16% to 25%

In Ukraine in 2013 it was ca 50%
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Major players:

Parliament (the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine)

Cabinet of Ministers

Business associations,

NGOs and support from TA (EU, WB)
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- GPA parties are obliged to notify the GPA Committee of the following information:
  - national implementing legislation on government procurement
  - procurement thresholds in national currencies
  - statistics on procurement activities
  - modifications to schedules of commitments
  - media for the publication of procurement-related information.
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- Decentralization is a major move forward and new level of responsibility for local authorities and municipalities in the area of PP
- Public control and accountability in the area of PP is a strong instrument in anti-corruption policy