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**ROUNDTABLE:**

## **Which reform for an effective public procurement regulations?**

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Italy is well equipped with many “better regulation” tools: Regulatory Impact Assessment, *ex post* Assessment, Administrative Burden Reduction, SME Test, Consultation guidelines. However, poor regulation is still one of the main causes of low market efficiency, where legislation, administrative provisions and bureaucratic attitudes often still prevent, restrict and distort competition and may also hinder competitiveness. Moreover, legal uncertainty associated with lack of transparency and accessibility, instability and inconsistency of regulation, enlarge the scope for creative compliance, fostering a corruptible social environment and encouraging higher levels of corruption.

Public procurement regulation is an emblematic field to discuss the reasons for this paradox. The public consultation organised by the Ministry for infrastructure and transport on some paragraph of the Italian Public Procurement Code gives the opportunity to discuss how to improve the quality of public procurement regulation. Academics and professionals are asked to discuss why good quality regulation tools doesn't help in increasing the quality and effectiveness of Public Procurement Code, and whether it is preferable to support decision-makers in the current “chirurgical” reform efforts or whether it is preferable to suggest a comprehensive reform agenda.

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