TOP TEN PRIORITIES FOR STATE PROCUREMENT IN 2016

Based on a ranking from state procurement leaders nationally, the Top Ten Priorities For State Procurement sets the agenda for thought leadership and programming for the profession.

1 PROCESS REFORM AND REENGINEERING

Encouraging state procurement reform and reengineering of procurement processes (streamlined procurement processes, modernize procurement law, reduce laws and regulations complexity).



Using operational performance metrics and data analytics (clearly-defined goals and key performance measures; data-driven processes; use of data to drive policy and operational decisions; spend analytics solutions).

PROFESSIONALIZATION
Increasing professionalization of the state
procurement workforce
(formal training programs
to ensure consistent
standards and
practices are
followed; certification).

E-PROCUREMENT/ERP SOLUTIONS

Applying integrated eProcurement/ERP Solutions (greater use of online electronic systems with complete tracking and reporting functionality).



Enhancing the strategic role of state central procurement (centralized procurement authority; operationalizing statewide policies; elevated role in the hierarchy of the executive branch, integrated and centrally-led procurement team).

6 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Transforming IT procurement to address rapidly-changing market trends (changing role of central IT authority in statewide procurement; early involvement of state central procurement offices; planning and managing large IT procurements, terms and conditions, cyber security, Anything-as-a-Service (XaaS), cloud strategies and



Focusing on the importance of competition, transparency, ethical practices and principles (promote a system of integrity, fair and transparent processes and competition).



8 CONTRACT MANAGEMENT

Improving contract
management (contracting
process including planning,
risk assessment and
management, procurement, contract
formation and contract oversight).

9 STAFF RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

contracting models).

Creating solutions and planning for staffing and retention challenges (recruitment, retention, talent management strategies; classification/compensation).

SOURCING STRATEGIES

Leveraging sourcing strategies at the organization level to drive efficiencies and achieve savings (category management, strategic sourcing, market research, spend management, cost avoidance, cost savings).



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