

Action plan for public authorities to stimulate demand for circular construction skills

Public authorities have an important role to play in the transition towards a more circular built environment. They have a range of policy levers at their disposal to stimulate demand for relevant skills. The various competencies that local authorities can use directly (e.g., training for their own employees) and indirectly (e.g., embedding mandatory circular criteria in urban planning documents) to influence construction skills are outlined below:



AS A MASTER PLANNER

Embed in roadmaps, plans or strategies objectives and measures to encourage the upskilling and reskilling of the construction workers

AS BUILDING OWNERS AND PUBLIC PROCURER

Use public procurement to stimulate demand for circular construction skills at each step of a building's life



AS AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPER

Support training organisations and companies which are adopting more circular business models to develop their activities, influence market trends and promote job creation

AS A FINANCIAL PARTNER AND REGULATOR

Use financial grants, subsidies, and tax incentives as leverage to develop a new economic sector and to encourage workers to upskill



AS A NETWORK FACILITATOR

Encourage local stakeholders to change their practices by developing tools, such as digital platforms, training sessions, and storage platforms

AS AN URBAN PLANNER

Embed circularity requirements in urban planning regulations to have an impact in the long-term



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