

# Newsflash

## New thresholds for public procurement procedures 2016 - 2017



On 24 November 2015, the new European thresholds for public procurement procedures during the 2016 – 2017 period were announced<sup>1</sup>. These thresholds will be incorporated in Belgian procurement legislation by ministerial decree and are fully applicable on all procedures that will be started as of 1 January 2016.

The thresholds vary depending on the type of contract, as well as the awarding authority. They are schematically described in the following table<sup>2</sup>:

Public contract	Thresholds 2016 – 2017 (excl. vat)	Thresholds 2014 – 2015 (excl. vat)
Public works <i>Classic and utilities sectors</i>	5,225,000 EUR	5,186,000 EUR
Public supplies and services <i>Classic sectors - Decentralised authorities</i>	209,000 EUR	207,000 EUR
Public supplies and services <i>Classic sectors - Centralised authorities</i>	135,000 EUR	134,000 EUR
Public supplies and services <i>Utilities sectors</i>	418,000 EUR	414,000 EUR

<sup>1</sup> Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/2170 of 24 November 2015 amending Directive 2014/24/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council in respect of the application thresholds for the procedures for the award of contracts; Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/2171 of 24 November 2015 amending Directive 2014/25/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council in respect of the application thresholds for the procedures for the award of contracts.

<sup>2</sup> Only the most important categories are given; for exceptions, e.g. defence procurement, reference is made to the text of the regulation.

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