

ADHESION OF THE CATALONIA ENERGY RESEARCH INSTITUTE FOUNDATION TO THE ETHICAL CODE AND CODE OF CONDUCT IN PUBLIC PROCUREMENT APPROVED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE GENERALITAT DE CATALUNYA (GOV/226/2023 AGREEMENT OF 7 NOVEMBER)

BACKGROUND

The Catalonia Energy Research Institute Foundation is part of the public sector of the Generalitat de Catalunya.

The Generalitat de Catalunya, through the GOV/226/2023 AGREEMENT of 7 November, published in the Official Gazette of the Generalitat de Catalunya (DOGC) on 9 November 2023, has approved the Ethical Code and Code of Conduct in Public Procurement and has created the Ethics Committee in Public Procurement. This code incorporates ethical principles and values, as well as recommended good practice behaviours that should govern the actions of all individuals and entities participating in public procurement, with the aim of strengthening integrity, transparency, and efficiency in the management of public resources.

Clause 1.1 of the Code establishes that local entities and other public sector organisations in Catalonia may voluntarily adhere to the Code by approving an agreement through their governing body.

In the session of 24 January 2025, the Board of Trustees of the Catalonia Institute for Energy Research Foundation 2025 has made the following agreements:

AGREEMENTS

FIRST. Approve the adhesion of the Catalonia Institute for Energy Research Foundation to the Ethical Code and Code of Conduct in Public Procurement, approved by the Government of the Generalitat of Catalonia through ACORD GOV/226/2023, dated 7 November.

The text of this Code is the same as that published in the Official Journal of the Generalitat of Catalonia (DOGC) on 9 November 2023 and is attached to this agreement as **Annex 1**.

SECOND. Adopt the ethical principles and values, as well as the recommended behaviours outlined in this Code, as a guide for all public procurement actions of the Foundation, with the aim of ensuring an integral, transparent, and responsible management.

THIRD. The Director of the Foundation is responsible for the interpretation, monitoring, and control of the application of the Ethical Code and Code of Conduct in Public Procurement, as well as for making the necessary recommendations and proposals to keep it updated.

FOURTH Proceed with the communication of this adhesion in the manner provided in the text of the Code itself to the Ethics Commission in Public Procurement of the Generalitat of Catalonia and publish this agreement in the Contracting Authority Profile of the Foundation on the Public Procurement Services Platform.

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