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Proposed EU Public Procurement Act: New Rules for Water-Sector Contracts

The European Commission has proposed a new Public Procurement Act that would consolidate the EU rules governing public contracts, utilities procurement and concessions into a single regulation. For the water sector, the proposal promises simpler procedures, more digitalised procurement and greater emphasis on quality, sustainability, innovation, resilience and security of supply. This article outlines the principal changes and their potential implications for water utilities, technology providers and service suppliers.

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