

# A SOURCE OF COMPETITIVENESS FOR OUR BUSINESSES AND A PARTNER WORKING ALONGSIDE OUR SUPPLIERS

Entirely focused on Bouygues Construction's businesses, the Purchasing division offers them solutions that increase their competitiveness and help them achieve better social and environmental performance.

Permanently seeking to improve its service, it creates sustainable partnerships with its suppliers and subcontractors based on its demand for the highest levels of quality and safety. It is fully committed to a process of continuous progress with them, with the focus on innovation and sustainable construction.

# A major division



#### €3 BN

of purchases managed by the division in 2013



350 employees of 23 nationalities

in 35 countries



Breakdown of volume of expenditure:

65% France and 35% International



Approximately **2,400 suppliers** subject to CSR evaluation



30 purchasing categories covering all the Group's activities



More than

500 framework agreements

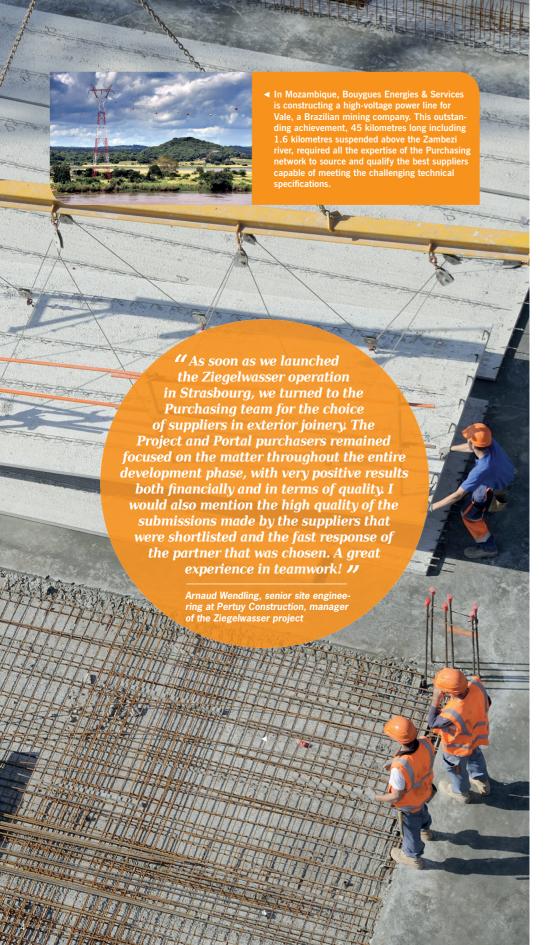


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# Editorial

A global player in construction and services, Bouygues Construction has grown very fast over the past ten years, and its business has doubled in size. This performance has to a large extent been achieved by optimising the management of our expenditure, which accounts for 70% of our sales. With some 350 closely coordinated employees operating directly on the sites of our projects, the Purchasing division is a Group-wide function serving all the Group's businesses. With specialist skill sets in a range of diverse yet complementary areas, our professionals create value at each step of the purchasing process. With such know-how and expertise at our disposal, we are able to devise innovative solutions what help to make the Group more competitive and give our entities a competitive edge. On our construction sites, ensuring the

full commitment of our suppliers and subcontractors is essential if we are to respect our obligations to our customers and meet their expectations. Both in France and in our operations all around the world, our suppliers and subcontractors partner us with common objectives of optimising quality and safety, technical solutions and economic performance. The high standards we expect from our partners is the first step in a relationship of trust that we seek to establish with them over the long term so that we can advance together and focus on meeting the challenges of sustainable construction in all our businesses. Because maintaining our position of leadership on our markets depends on our capacity to innovate, we are always receptive to the innovative ideas of out suppliers, and we offer them support in rolling them out throughout the entire value chain of construction.



# PROFESSIONAL EXPERTISE SUPPORTING THE PERFORMANCE OF OPERATIONAL TEAMS

# The force of a worldwide network of experts built on three complementary profiles

At the service of all the Group's businesses, there are more than 350 people around the world employed in the Purchasing division, whether as part of Bouygues Construction Purchasing or integrated into the entities. In direct contact with the Group's projects and markets, they work in close cooperation with each other as members of a worldwide network.



#### Project Purchaser: head of the team

#### Organisation and monitoring of site procurement

- > In close proximity to operational teams
- > Anticipation et adaptation to the changing needs of construction sites
- > Reports directly to a Group entity

#### Market Purchaser: the specialist

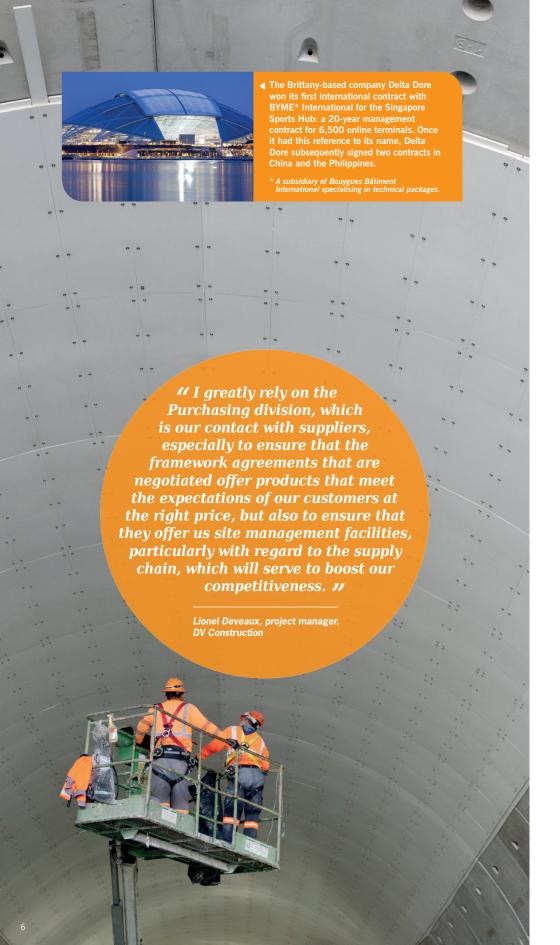
#### Expertise in one of the Group's purchasing categories

- > Detailed knowledge of markets and market trends
- > Responsible for the economic and logistical performance of his products
- > Creates global synergies and undertakes Group-wide commercial negotiations
- > Member of one of the Market Purchasing Departments

#### Portal Purchaser: the "sourcer"

#### Expertise in international sourcing in a geographical area

- > A comprehensive service: sourcing (CSR, technical and financial auditing) and qualification of suppliers, regional purchasing on the basis of detailed requests formulated by Project or Market Purchasers, support through to delivery on-site
- > Management of a panel of suppliers on every continent



### A high added value service

The internationalisation of purchasing, the development of framework agreements and the creation of standardised product ranges all contribute to the performance of Group businesses and to that of its suppliers. The strategy relies on the network's negotiating strength, its detailed knowledge of markets and its proximity to suppliers throughout the world.

#### Internationalisation

# €180 million of international sales with French partners who support the Group in its major projects

- > Obtain the most skilful local suppliers for all Group businesses in all parts of the world, at the best price and with the best guarantee of quality
- > Encourage and support the Group's suppliers on its markets, outside their domestic regions

#### Framework agreements

#### More than 500 framework agreements, worth approximately €600 million

- > Allow the Group's businesses to benefit from effective contracts
- > Give suppliers long-term visibility, securing their order books through mutual commitment
- > Optimise the management of contracts through detailed monitoring of suppliers, a product catalogue for each supplier, a website dedicated to framework agreements

#### Standardisation

#### 2 catalogues of standardised products: housing, energies and services

- > Offer a range of standardised products, through collaborative work with the Technical Departments, in order to optimise costs
- > Enable suppliers to benefit from high-volume orders

The Group supports the development of its partners ► and enables them to benefit from its network and its international opportunities. This has happened to Unitech\*, a business based in the south of France specialising in industrial kitchens and market leader in France. Following an initial shared experience in Morocco in 2006, the company has been involved in other Group projects in Africa and Asia.



Subsidiary BOS Equipement



### **BRINGING INNOVATION FASTER**

# Purchasers involved further and further upstream of projects

Suppliers are breeding-grounds of expertise. As the interface between the Group and its suppliers, the Purchasing division is a driving force in discovering and spreading innovations, some of them the work of in-house teams and others proposed by suppliers.

Serving all the Group's businesses, the Purchasing division is increasingly involved in project development and Bouygues Construction's innovation strategy, seeking to strengthen its competitive edge and back up its support for expansion in new markets.

A source of added value for the Group and its suppliers, this dynamic covers the entire value chain, from operational businesses and processes through to end-products and services. To support such development, the Purchasing division establishes partnerships based on collaborative work, a joint quest for competitiveness and the sharing of risks.

# A pivotal role in innovation from which Group businesses benefit

- > Identify the needs of operational teams with regard to innovation
- > Coordinate internal teams, technical departments and R&D to encourage innovation
- > Provide operational teams with innovations available on the market
- > Anticipate market trends

#### A proactive approach to suppliers

- > Encourage suppliers to develop innovations required by operational teams
- > Discover innovative businesses and start-ups
- > Support them by providing technical validation for their products and helping them bring their products to market more quickly and expand internationally
- > Organise collaborations (partnerships, framework agreements, etc.) with suppliers

The Purchasing division is playing its part in modernising Group businesses, particularly in the far-reaching changes brought about by BIM\* for designing, constructing and managing buildings and structures. The standard products favoured by purchasers are progressively being incorporated into digital modelling, which makes it easier to employ them and to take decisions on construction sites.



\* Building Information Modeling



# SUSTAINABLE PARTNERSHIPS WITH SUPPLIERS

From design through to operation, Bouygues Construction factors sustainability into all its projects. By choosing high-performance solutions and materials which are eco-responsible and produced under good social conditions, the CSR Purchasing strategy contributes to the Group's sustainable development policy. The Purchasing division believes that performance is established by a relationship of trust, and works with its suppliers in complete transparency, respecting local legislation and the fundamental conventions of the International Labour Organization.

Through partnerships and joint developments, the Group works alongside them to face the challenges of sustainable construction and imagine the solutions, technologies, materials and equipment of tomorrow. This is an opportunity for the Group's partners to develop in the context of a process of continuous improvement.

## 3 operational applications



**SUSTAINABLE** 

CONSTRUCTION





> Offer products and services to respond to the various sustainable construction challenges that face our operations in the commercial and construction phases

#### LIFE CYCLE COST

> Depending on purchasing families and operations, taking account of total costs of acquisition or ownership thoughout the life cycle of the structure (construction. operation and maintenance)

#### SOCIAL AND SOCIETAL **CRITERIA**

> Take all stakeholders into consideration (local purchasing, disabilityfriendly companies, sheltered companies, etc.)

70% of sales are generated by operating units that have incorporated into their contracts the CSR Charter for suppliers and subcontractors covering ethics, compliance with labour standards, health and safety and environmental protection

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**Bouygues Construction promotes purchasing** from companies operating in the sheltered sector. In support of this policy, purchasers compile directories for internal teams, giving references to the organisations that should be approached. In particular, the sheltered workshop Handiprint printed this brochure.



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