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**THE APPLICATION OF GREEN PURCHASING TOOLS
IN THE CORPORATE SECTOR**

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Abstract

All types of organizations are under increasing pressure to integrate green considerations in their purchasing practices. A number of tools aimed for the practitioners have been developed in response to their new challenges. However, the application of such tools among private firms is not well known, and one important question is how well the tools correspond with practitioners' needs. This paper discusses the many dimensions of various purchasing activities and the range of environmental requirements that are possible for practitioners to apply in the purchasing process. The paper also provides an initial overview of the current application of available green purchasing tools. The findings point to a lack of a systematic application of different tools among firms.

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