

## EU recognition

**The Eco-Lighthouse Foundation is recognized by the European Commission as being of a standard and quality on a par with European and international eco-certification schemes (EMAS and ISO 14001) with regards to public procurement.**

The Eco-Lighthouse Foundation is deemed a recognized environmental management system in *Regulation (EC) no. 1221/2009 article 45*. This means that Norwegian enterprises can submit Eco-Lighthouse Foundation certification as documentation, when public contracting authorities in other European countries conduct tender competitions that set requirement for EMAS or other environmental management systems. Similarly, the contracting authority shall accept suppliers certified under the Eco-Lighthouse Foundation scheme as participants in the competition.

A copy of the certificate and the recognition document should be submitted with bids.

For more information about the recognition, visit: <http://www.eco-lighthouse.org/eu-recognition/>