



Controlling spend and looking towards a greener future

About Trinity College Dublin

Trinity College Dublin is home to over 20,000 undergraduate and postgraduate students across all the major disciplines in the arts and humanities, and in business, law, engineering, science, and health sciences.

In order to support the very large scope of activity across Trinity, the university sources an enormous range of Goods & Services from over 2000 suppliers per annum. As part of the introduction of a new finance system in 2012, the project team needed to ensure the proper management of high-volume, low-value purchases. This spend segment accounted for a high proportion of all transactions and was characterised by limited visibility and reporting on products, pricing, demand etc. In addition, this lack of automation and standardisation did nothing to improve administration costs.

Their OneAdvanced Experience

Before implementing Purchasing, previously known as Marketplace, the procurement team at TCD were having to undertake a significant amount of administrative work to manage the organisation's spend. As the university continued to scale in complexity, keeping on top of approved suppliers was causing a big headache.

"Previously we had to get quotes and supplier information manually, this is a lengthy process. With Purchasing, we had instant access to supplier catalogues which speeds up the ordering process – It's the speed of access and ease of processing that's greatly helped."

Neil Culligan, Oracle Business Analyst, Trinity College Dublin'

Implementation Process

"During the implementation phase we were supported every step of the way, and our specific needs were taken into account. This made the transition completely seamless."

"Looking to the future with OneAdvanced, we want the system to support our sustainability initiatives particularly around Green options and managing CO2 emissions. We've engaged with the team at OneAdvanced around their product roadmap plans, and we're looking forward to working collaboratively with them on this objective."

"Implementing Purchasing has meant a major reduction in admin work. We would definitely recommend OneAdvanced's spend management solutions to any business."

Ben Hartnett,
Procurement Management, Trinity College Dublin

Why did Trinity College Dublin choose Purchasing?

"The team engaged with OneAdvanced and instantly found the Purchasing solution to be a great fit for their needs."

"OneAdvanced's Purchasing solution allowed us to standardise our pricing and create a streamlined process for identifying and verifying suppliers. We could instantly see the time savings this was going to bring to the team."

"Having complete confidence in organisation spend and control over suppliers was a crucial motivation for TCD. Decision-making is so much easier for us now, as we have a complete handle on spend and supplier management."

Working with the OneAdvanced Team

"We've had a really positive experience working with OneAdvanced. Anytime there has been a log or a call, OneAdvanced have always been super-efficient with supporting us and getting any questions resolved."