Portugal's Tribunal de Contas — a Machine-Learning Risk Model to Target Public-Procurement Audits

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Quality score: 53/100

Evidence strength: Descriptive / self-reported

Summary

Portugal's supreme audit institution built a 37-indicator ML risk model to target procurement audits, developed with NOVA IMS, EU funding and OECD support, launched in 2025; the OECD itself flags that impact metrics are not yet published.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured public value	1/3
Transparency, fairness & accountability	2/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	1/3
Scalability beyond pilot	2/3
Governance, capability & sustainability	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

C-NAPSE web research — accessed 2026-08-12

Tribunal de Contas (Portuguese Court of Auditors), with NOVA Information Management School (NOVA IMS) — accessed 2026-08-12

Tribunal de Contas press release — accessed 2026-08-12

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