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## **Challenges:**

- VVSG, GSD-V and OVSG knew the 'lighting-as-a-service' concept but wanted a more global solution encompassing their entire office fitout (e.g. flooring, LED, furniture, workplace etc.)
- Find a partner with the right **financing expertise** to fund all office components and facilitate this **multi-stakeholder process**.
- **Encourage** their members and other local authorities to opt for such **innovating and sustainable models**.

### The solution:

 An as-a-service solution for a complete office fitout over 9 years including equipment, financing & circular services (warranty, maintenance, cleaning, swap, collection, recycling etc.) to extend the materials' lifecycle and facilitate resource reallocation.



Complete office fit out 300+ staff office

## **Reduction of energy costs**

from 90 € / m² to 50 € / m² with savings re-allocated to improve members' services

**Making the shift** from ownership to usage

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#### The Econocom Touch:

 With its ecosystem approach and expertise in a wide range of financing, Econocom successfully played an integrator role with all suppliers to facilitate a smooth project delivery (via a single invoicing system and simplified administration).

### **Benefits:**

- Increased savings reallocated to improve members' services –
  Win win!
- Shifting from **ownership to usage**: no more obsolescence risk or end-of-life responsibilities.
- Act as a pioneer and show the way via forward-looking circular models.

"When a public tender requests as-a-service, the following challenge arises: suppliers don't have the financial expertise or the financial capacity to finance all applications.

Econocom acts as a financing partner that helps you co-create a win-win rental solution: as a customer you spread payments over time and your suppliers are paid upfront."

Mieck Vos, General Director, VVSG.