Accessible ICT Procurement Policy

The Project

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**Description:**
Developing Recommendations for a Canadian Approach to Standards and Regulations for Federal Public Procurement of Accessible Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs).

**Goals of Project**

Special attention will be paid to innovation-supportive regulatory design, and measures that result in systemic transformation with impact beyond the public sector, thereby showing leadership in inclusive practices.

**Action Items**

Key action items:

1. Expert interviews and analysis of accessible procurement policies, practices and implementations in other jurisdictions
2. Hold a conference that brings together relevant stakeholders and experts
3. Provide recommendations for a Canadian approach for procurement regulations for the public sector and the federally-regulated private sector.

**Working Documents**

Harnessing Sociotechnology to Benefit Accessible ICT
Canadian Accessible ICT Procurement Conference AGENDA
Email sent to participants week prior to workshop
Accessibility Procurement Workshop: Q&A Live Working Document
Functional Accessibility Requirements: an online toolkit approach to procurement
Bridging existing standards with FARs model

**Project Resources**

Contracts & language repository – GitHub
Open source contracting repository – GitHub
Purchasing for ethical business; bcorp contracting – GitHub

**Related Projects and Links**

**Communication**

Regular meeting times:
Meeting notes (link):
Communication channel or platform (link):