

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):