

Sell products and services to the Government of Canada

The Office of Small and Medium Enterprises Serving Canadian Entrepreneurs





Opportunities for SMEs

- One of the largest buyers of goods and services in Canada
- Buys billions of dollars of a wide range of goods and services each year
- Opportunities for contracts exist ranging from hundreds to billions of dollars
- Small and Medium Enterprises receive approximately three-quarters of the contracts awarded annually to suppliers in Canada, by PSPC





Office of Small and Medium Enterprises

- Supports small and medium enterprises through the federal procurement process
- Works to reduce barriers to ensure fairness in the process
- Engages, assists and informs SMEs on how to sell goods and services to the Government of Canada





Helps identify business opportunities

Seminars offered by OSME

- Doing business with the Government of Canada
- Finding opportunities on buyandsell.gc.ca
- Bidding on opportunities
- Build in Canada Innovation Program (BCIP)
- Defence and Security Procurement
- Obtaining Security Clearance
- Supplying Professional Services to the Government of Canada

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Buyandsell.gc.ca

- Official and free source
- Easy to navigate
- New contract opportunities search tool
- Contract awards data base
- Email notifications and Sharing option for Social Media



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The Build in Canada Innovation Program (BCIP)

- Helps companies bridge the pre-commercialization gap by procuring and testing late stage innovative goods and services within the Government of Canada before taking them to market
- Suppliers get feedback on their innovations tested by the federal departments and organizations to further refine their innovations as they move toward full commercialization
- In order to get more information on this program: <u>BCIP Website</u>







Procurement Strategy for Aboriginal Business (PSAB)

- Four key approaches: mandatory set-asides; voluntary set-asides, joint venturing; and subcontracting criteria
- Eligibility criteria (related to ownership and control, and proportion of Aboriginal workforce)
- Annual targets for the federal departments and agencies that purchase more than \$1 million in goods, services and construction

Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) works closely with departments to **set reasonable and achievable objectives**, and advises on Aboriginal business capacity





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Procurement Strategy for Aboriginal Business (PSAB) - continued

- Aboriginal businesses can increase their visibility by registering in PSAB's <u>Aboriginal Business Directory</u> (ABD) for free
 - Database and search engine available to industry and the federal procurement community for identifying Aboriginal business suppliers
 - Also used by provincial and municipal governments AND the private sector to find qualified Aboriginal businesses in various sectors
- Information on PSAB
 - INAC Representatives can provide you with more information
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