



Canada Open Government Working Group

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WORK PLAN: Canada Open Government Working Group

ACTIVITY 1

High Level Objective: Open Data User Stories

How will success be measured?

Inventories of stories are created

- Governments can showcase their efforts and impacts
- Canadians are inspired by these stories and use open data

Discuss Alignment to Priorities:

- Shares, enhances, and develops common tools, platforms, practices, and policies to help Canadian governments increase the availability of their data and information to Canadians;
- Identifies gaps and opportunities towards advancing open government across the different jurisdictions;
- Promotes information sharing across jurisdictions on citizen engagement to maximize investment in open government.

Priority: *High*

DESCRIPTION /
ACTION

LEADS

START
DATE

DUE
DATE

RESOURCES REQUIRED
(staff, funding, etc.)

DELIVERABLES

NOTES

Establish inventory	TBS lead, provincial support	Feb	Mar	n/a	Initial inventory of user stories established	
Release #1	TBS lead, provincial support	Apr	Jun	Open Government Portal staff for technical elements, and Outreach and Engagement for communications	Release of minimum 1 story on the Open Government Portal	
Release #2	TBS lead, provincial support	Jul	Sep	Open Government Portal staff for technical elements, and Outreach and Engagement for communications	Second round of releases based on lessons learned from 1 st release	
Systematic releases	TBS lead, provincial support	Oct	Dec	Open Government Portal staff for technical elements, and Outreach and Engagement for communications	Systematic ongoing collection of user stories for the inventory and for releases	

ACTIVITY 2

High Level Objective:

Support and enhancement of Digital common extensions (CKAN) for open governments portals

How will success be measured?

Ongoing collaborative support and enhancement of CKAN

- Common extensions used across jurisdictions
- Better awareness of new resources, faster development

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- Sustains these common tools and approaches, as they emerge, by establishing and maintaining governance processes that incorporate jurisdictional interests and promote common goals.

Priority: *Medium*

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DESCRIPTION / ACTION	LEADS	START DATE	DUE DATE	RESOURCES REQUIRED (staff, funding, etc.)	DELIVERABLES	NOTES
Establish working group	TBS lead and provincial support TBD	Feb	Mar	Open Government Portal developer staff	Working group established	
Engage with CKAN community	TBS lead and provincial support TBD	Apr	Jun	Open Government Portal developer staff	Engagement with CKAN community through the online forums	
Release technical resources	TBS lead and provincial support TBD	Jul	Sep	Open Government Portal developer staff	Existing resources are released and new resources are developed	
Engage continually to ensure momentum	TBS lead and provincial support TBD	Oct	Dec	Open Government Portal developer staff	Ongoing community engagement at developer level and beyond to ensure momentum and continued use of CKAN and its common extensions	
ACTIVITY 3						
Objective: Publish With a Purpose How will success be measured? Shift to a user-led approach to data releases - Open data released is of high value to users, maximizes usability					Priority: <i>High</i>	

- Process to release open data is consistent with established open government practices, including co-creation, participation and accountability

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- Identifies gaps and opportunities towards advancing open government across the different jurisdictions;
- Seeks out and considers the perspectives and needs of a diverse range of experts and stakeholders on open government.

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Conduct and release data catalogue	Ontario lead, Quebec support	Feb	Mar	n/a	Conduct and share user research on data catalogue usability and open data user personas	
Release user research results	Ontario lead, Quebec support	Apr	Jun	Open Government Portal team	Compile and publish open data user research results from Canadian jurisdictions	
Design approach	Ontario lead, Quebec support	Jul	Sep	n/a	Design approach to sharing data catalogue analytics	
Determine feedback opportunities	Ontario lead, Quebec support	Oct	Dec	n/a	Explore more opportunities for public feedback on data use and reuse –	

storytelling, case studies, etc.

ACTIVITY 4

Objective:

Open Government Literacy

How will success be measured?

Common resources are made available to develop the skills of public servants of all level

- Public servants are better equipped to explain open data, open information and open dialogue
- More Canadians understand what open government can do for them and get involved

Priority: *Medium*

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Establish working group	Ontario lead, B.C. support (TBD)	Feb	Mar	n/a	Multi-jurisdictional working group established.	
Establish Inventory	Ontario lead, B.C. support (TBD)	Apr	Jun	n/a	Inventory of existing resources across jurisdictions and determine which resources are missing	
Release resources	Ontario lead, B.C. support (TBD)	Jul	Sep	Open Government Portal team	Existing resources are released and new	

					resources are developed.	
Ongoing release of resources	Ontario lead, B.C. support (TBD)	Oct	Dec	n/a	Ongoing release of resources made available to public servants.	

ACTIVITY 5

<p>Objective: Inclusion, Public engagement and Dialogue</p> <p>How will success be measured? Coordinated collaborative mechanisms for public dialogue and engagement across jurisdictions are available.</p> <p>Discuss Alignment to Priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Promotes the implementation of open data, open information and public engagement principles in their jurisdictions and sets strategic direction in support of pan-Canadian open government; - Seeks out and considers the perspectives and needs of a diverse range of experts and stakeholders on open government; - Promotes information sharing across jurisdictions on citizen engagement to maximize investment in open government. 	<p>Priority: <i>Low</i></p>
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Identify key principles	Manitoba lead, NWT support	Feb	Mar	n/a	Identify the key principles and practices of focus from e-scan and mapping, and consult with COGWG.	
Release key principles	Manitoba lead, NWT support	Apr	Jun	n/a	Release the key principles and	

					practices for public servants to access.	
Develop learning plan	Manitoba lead, NWT support	Jul	Sep	n/a	Develop learning plan on key engagement principles and practices, including elements of FOGO and GBA+.	
Establish methods of engagement	Manitoba lead, NWT support	Sep	Oct	n/a	Establish a method to engage COGWG members on public consultations.	
Hold learning sessions	Manitoba lead, NWT support	Oct	Dec	n/a	Hold learning sessions open to public servants in each jurisdiction to present and discuss key engagement principles and practices.	

ACTIVITY 6

<p>Objective: Standardization of high value datasets</p> <p>How will success be measured? Important standardized datasets are released across jurisdictions and collaboratively reviewed and tested</p> <p>Discuss Alignment to Priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Promotes the implementation of open data, open information and public engagement principles in their jurisdictions and sets strategic direction in support of pan-Canadian open government; 	Priority: <i>High</i>
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Release of documentation	Quebec lead, Nova Scotia support (TBD)	Feb	Mar	n/a	Release of final documentation about standardization	
Finalization of remaining standardization	Quebec lead, Nova Scotia support (TBD)	Apr	Jun	n/a	Finalization of baby standard name	
Implementation of standards	Quebec lead, Nova Scotia support (TBD)	Jul	Sep	n/a	Implementation of standards	
Testing phase	Quebec lead, Nova Scotia support (TBD)	Oct	Dec	n/a	Testing of high value datasets	