

FEDERAL/PROVINCIAL/TERRITORIAL INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY (ICT) POLICY COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE

February 2022 Update to PSCIOC

Background

The FPT ICT Policy Community of Practice was established at the direction of the Public Sector Chief Information Officer's Council (PSCIOC) representing all federal, provincial, and territorial governments. This forum enables participating governments to exchange information, policies, and best practices related to ICT Policy. In February the PSCIOC approved transiting the Policy group to a Community of Practice from its initial Working Group status (2014)

The ICT policy community of practice operates on the belief that active collaboration among all members will enable the development of policy instruments that will be informed by, and when possible, aligned to the work of our colleagues across the country. In turn, this should result in more opportunities to share approaches or even federate services to promote a more Pan-Canadian approach to policy development and delivery.

In addition, through active collaboration, members also enjoy having an extended network of policy contacts across the country with whom they can informally connect to discuss challenges and approaches.

Membership

Through a gradual recruitment process from 2014 onward, our membership had grown to include representatives from eight provinces, two territories, and the federal government.

The current ICT policy community of practice membership includes representation from the following jurisdictions:

1. Canada (Federal government / Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat)
2. British Columbia (Chairperson)
3. Saskatchewan
4. Manitoba
5. Ontario
6. New Brunswick
7. Prince Edward Island (Vice-chairperson)
8. Nova Scotia
9. Newfoundland & Labrador
10. Northwest Territories

11. Nunavut
12. City of Edmonton

ICT Policy Community of Practice Objectives

- To share information, best practices, research, and to discuss national, provincial, and territorial goals, positions, and priorities for ICT policy in each jurisdiction, and to test their interoperability;
- To maintain the highest standards of policy analysis;
- To provide a forum for discussion to improve ICT policy and management by fostering innovation in research, analysis, and education;
- To create an approach to ICT policy that builds on the existing strengths of member governments - to increase their capacity to take advantage of opportunities and respond effectively to the challenges of new technologies; and
- To assist the PSCIOC membership with addressing any common policy issues.

Meeting Frequency

The ICT policy working group meets quarterly or ad hoc, as needed. The group aims to hold meetings March, June, September, and December.

Highlights

- September and December quarterly meetings were combined into a call in November 2021 due to scheduling challenges and competing priorities
- There have been four jurisdictional scan questions set to the ICT CoP members during this period
- Burt Cr  peault gave notice that he was leaving the group as a QC member

Community Policy Interaction Highlights

- Updates shared from PSCIOC joint council meetings
- Discussion on the use of MS Teams site for ICT CoP
- Jurisdictional scan questions sent to group members on:
 - Website management policy (NWT)
 - Managing equipment and technology out of province or country (PEI)
 - IMT Policy Best Practice Inquiry (NWT)
 - CIO Authority and Chief Security Office (NWT)

Appendix A

Federal Provincial Territorial Information Communication Technology (FPT ICT) Policy Community of Practice

Membership List – as of January 2022

Jurisdiction	Member(s)
Alberta	Kellie Majoros Scott Ironmonger
British Columbia	Dean Sutton (Chairperson) Jenny Romero Michael Nielsen Kathleen Assaf
City of Edmonton	Jared Bielby
Manitoba	Patrick Hoger
New Brunswick	Keith Douglass Ron Allison
Newfoundland & Labrador	Susan Wilkins
Northwest Territories	Susan Martin
Nova Scotia	Krista Spurr Leanne Cahill
Nunavut	Roy Egbuna
Ontario	David Langille Tim Dafoe
Prince Edward Island	Betty Maclean (Vice-chairperson) Melissa MacDonald Tracy Wood Meghan van Gaal
Quebec	Étienne Deschênes
Saskatchewan	Vacant
Yukon	Vacant
Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat	Lindsay Rivard