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### Context

 Current government programs to support innovation focus on:

Early research and development

Loans / financing

 Budget 2010: The Canadian Innovation Commercialization Program (CICP) was created to help Canadian enterprises, particularly small and medium enterprises (SMEs), bridge the "Pre-commercialization Gap"

Enterprises often experience difficulties moving innovations from laboratories to the marketplace

These challenges are particularly critical to SMEs

Government recognizes SMEs are the engine of the Canadian economy



## Approach

Over a two-year period, the government will procure pre-commercial innovations to be tested by federal departments

These innovations will focus on four priority areas:





# Objectives

Assisting in bridging the "Pre-commercialization Gap"

Improving the efficiency and effectiveness of government operations

CICP Will Support Innovation in Canada By

Supporting Canadian Businesses

Providing real-world evaluations of precommercial goods and services



# Is CICP right for you?

#### Innovation

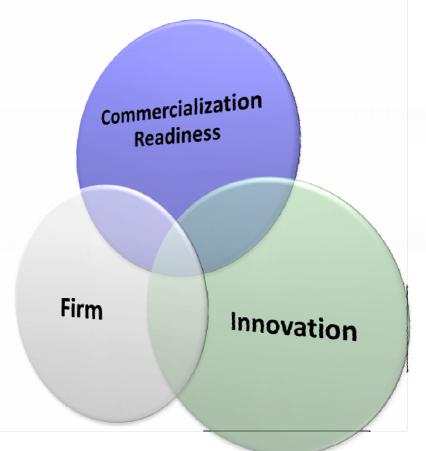
Must demonstrate that the innovation is an advance on the state of the art

#### Firm

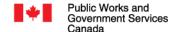
 Must demonstrate that they have the financial capacity, management team, and IP strategy to commercialize the innovation

#### Commercialization Readiness

 Must demonstrate that the innovation is at TRL 7-9 and that it has not been sold commercially









# Calls for Proposals

- Calls for Proposals (CFP) will be posted on MERX<sup>TM</sup>
  - —Additional information available on <u>buyandsell.gc.ca/innovation</u>
- CFP will include mandatory, screening and pointrated criteria
- Proposals must:

Be valued at \$500K or less (GST/HST and shipping extra)

Not have been sold commercially

Be provided by Canadian bidders

Include 80% Canadian content





### **Level of Readiness**

### **Description of Level**

Actual technology proven through successful operations

Actual application of the technology in its final form and under real-life conditions, such as those encountered in operational test and evaluation. Activities include using the innovation under operational conditions.

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Actual technology completed and qualified through test and demonstration

Technology has been proven to work in its final form and under expected conditions. Activities include developmental testing and evaluation of whether it will meet its operational requirements.

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Prototype ready for demonstration in an appropriate operational environment

Prototype at planned operational level. Requires demonstration of an actual prototype in an operational environment. Activities include prototype field testing.

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System/subsystem model or prototype demonstration in a simulated environment

A model or prototype that represents a near desired configuration. Activities include testing in a simulated operational environment or laboratory.

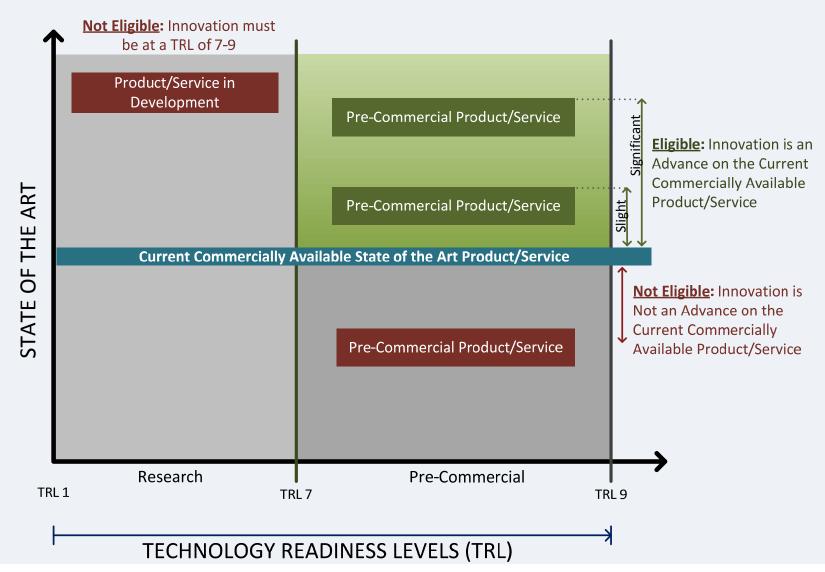
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Component and/or breadboard validation in a simulated environment

The basic technological components are integrated for testing in a simulated environment. Activities include laboratory integration of components.

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### **ADVANCE ON THE STATE OF THE ART**







## **CICP Process**

Start

**Call for Proposal** 

Proposals are submitted through the online submission service as outlined in the CFP

**NRC-IRAP Evaluates Proposals** 

is found Test Plan is carried out and feedback is provided

Once match department

Good/ **Service Testing** 

PWGSC will work with successful suppliers to identify test department

**Matching to** Government **Departments** 

PWGSC will send notification letters to suppliers outlining results **Final Ranking** of Proposals

**Innovation** Selection Committee (ISC)

Top scoring innovations are reviewed by the ISC



# Bidder Completeness Check

- ✓ Register on for MERX<sup>™</sup>, order and download the Call for Proposals;
- ✓ Read the Call for Proposals in its entirety;
- ✓ Check and update browser to ensure compatibility;
- ✓ Create an account on the Online Submission System;
- ✓ Determine time required to fill in all the answers;
  - Draft answers ahead of time (consider word limits)
  - Answer all the questions
  - Proofread final answers for clarity and grammar
- Responses must be provided by the bidder or bidder representative, not potential testing departments or other government representatives; and
- Do not wait for the last minute to submit. Late proposals will not be accepted.







## Outreach

The Office of Small and Medium Enterprises (OSME) will host and participate in events across the country

#### These events will:

Create opportunities for suppliers to connect with potential testing departments

Provide a better understanding of the CICP and federal procurement

Work
with private and
public sector
organizations
across the country
to maximize
outreach

Utilize electronic tools such as webtools and webinars



## **Benefits of CICP**

Federal government departments will have the opportunity to:

Find innovations not yet available in the marketplace to address specific departmental challenges and needs and increase efficiency.

Test, use and assess the latest Canadian innovations.

Meet face to face with innovative suppliers of goods and services.

Promote innovation and support the development of Canadian businesses.



## Benefits of CICP

### Businesses will have the opportunity to



Connect with potential clients in federal government departments and showcase innovations

Sell
pre-commercial
innovations to
the Government
of Canada
through a
competitive
procurement
process

Receive feedback on tested innovations in an operational setting Be better prepared to enter the marketplace with the knowledge obtained through participation in this program

Businesses will also gain valuable knowledge on how to sell their goods and services to the Government of Canada and learn about bidding opportunities.



## **CICP Contact Information**



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**Program Website** 

www.buyandsell.gc.ca/ innovation

**Subscribe** to the CICP update mailing list.

(on home page of program website)



