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## 2019 Federal Budget will be election-focused

Working in partnership with governments of all levels allows ITAC to promote public policy solutions that contribute to innovation and Canada's economic prosperity. Bringing key issues and perspectives of the ICT sector to federal, provincial and municipal decision makers is key to change – and we're making significant headway.

Many of ITAC's recommendations were directly addressed by the federal government through Budget 2018 – but we still have work to do. ITAC submitted its [Pre-Budget Submission in August](#) with input from many of our members; there are several important areas we hope Budget 2019 will resolve.

The announcement of the accelerated capital cost allowance (ACCA), for example, was a win for ITAC in the [Federal Economic Update](#) (and also a key area of focus in our Submissions to the federal government). The Federal Budget 2019 will be election-focused, with what ITAC assumes will be a significant focus on Future skills and talent, diversity and potentially, support mechanisms to grow Canada's digital economy. It is expected that an announcement will be made in late February/ early March.

Like last year, following the announcement, ITAC will distribute its Budget Analysis to its members, and we will hold a Members' Briefing the following day. Details will follow as soon as we have a concrete date and time.