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Federal TECHNATION Committees seeking member participation on key policy initiatives

Cloud Working Group

In 2019, the Cloud Working Group, comprised of TECHNATION staff and authorities from member companies, developed the policy paper entitled, '*Governments Embracing Cloud: An Opportunity for Modernization, Innovation, and Transformation*'. This policy document has been at the centre of TECHNATION's policy recommendations and is evidence of our industry's thought leadership.

This fall, the Cloud Working Group will be reconvening to discuss the updates in Cloud policy since the white paper and collaborative steps TECHNATION will take with government to advance cloud adoption.

If you would like to participate in this Working Group and/or for more information, please do not hesitate to reach out to Senior Policy Analyst, Andrew Walker.

Public Policy and Advocacy Committee

TECHNATION members are being reminded that they are also welcome to participate in the Public Policy and Advocacy Committee (PPAC). This Committee, comprised of TECHNATION staff and representatives of member companies, helps develop our association's position on matters which range from data strategies, to privacy, tax policies, and legal frameworks. This is an essential group of government relations executives that help drive our advocacy on your behalf.

To join this group and/or for more information, please contact Vice President, Policy, Nevin French.

Other Federal Committees to keep in mind:

Federal Public Sector Business Committees (PSBC)
Our Federal PSBC brings together senior corporate business leaders whose companies focus on sales to government. The committee meets monthly to monitor, assess and advise on procurement policies and practices. Government officials are regular participants of the meetings and on developments with ICT procurement initiatives. The committee has councils for large transformational projects, professional services, government relations, telecom, and terms and conditions. These councils consist of interested members and are responsible for reviewing issues and presenting recommendations to government.

Tax and Finance Leadership Council
This Council proposes tax changes which will benefit the tech sector. The suggestions from this forum form the basis of TECHNATION's annual Budget submission to the Federal Government. The Forum also provides an opportunity for members to flag issues and to offer their analysis of the current tax climate.

Artificial Intelligence Working Group
Informs public and private sectors about how adopting AI and related technologies can improve productivity and enable Canada to become more competitive in the global AI landscape. The group will develop a policy paper, events and advocacy engagements to promote AI adoption in Canada.

Training Working Group
Advocates for re- and up-skilling of the federal public service. In conjunction with the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada, develops advocacy materials to encourage the government to invest in training its workforce on the technologies available today and tomorrow.

For more information about any of these committees, contact Senior Policy Analyst, Andrew Walker.