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#TechHillDay2020 brings awareness about need for public-private sector collaboration on digital economy



On Tuesday, February 25, members of TECHNATION's National Board of Directors, along with other senior leaders and TECHNATION staff Angela Mondou, President and CEO, Andre Leduc, Senior Vice President, Government Relations and Policy, and Nevin French, Vice President, Policy, meet with senior Canadian Federal Government Officials and staff. The purpose? To provide clear recommendations on how Government can work with industry to accelerate the implementation of digital government reforms, including procurement.

Hill Day participants were divided into three teams that represented three key priorities: Digital Economy, Digital Government and Responsible Technology.

TECHNATION collaborated with members to develop positions in each of these areas that encourage the development of programs, policies and investments that need to be made.

The day culminated with the *Hill Day Reception*, which all TECHNATION members were welcome to attend. There, representatives from all official parties in the House of Commons brought greetings. This year, Minister of Digital Government, Joyce Murray provided an overview on the Government's plans regarding the digital transformation of the public sector. Also presenting at the Reception was Conservative Shadow Minister for Digital Government, Ziad Alboutaif; NDP Critic for Digital Government and Industry, Brian Masse; and Bloc Quebecois Critic for Regional Economic Development, Sebastien Lemire.

Our sincere thanks to all those who participated in this year's Hill Day Event: Claudia Thompson, Accenture; Curtis Page, Alphinat; Dana Kuehl, MNP; Dave Buchanan, SAS; Faeron Trehearne,

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Minister of Digital Government, Joyce Murray at the Canadian Reception

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If you would like more information about the role the tech industry plays in the Canadian economy, including competitiveness, employment and innovation, contact Andre Leduc at aleduc@technationcanada.ca