





PSC Mission

The Professional Services Council (PSC) is the voice of the government technology and professional services industry, representing the full range and diversity of the sector. PSC is the most respected industry leader on legislative and regulatory issues related to government acquisition, business and technology. PSC helps shape public policy, leads strategic coalitions, and works to build consensus between government and industry. PSC's more than 375 member companies represent small, medium, and large businesses that provide federal agencies with services of all kinds, including information technology, engineering, logistics, facilities management, operations and maintenance, consulting, international development, scientific, social, environmental services, and more. Together, the trade association's members employ hundreds of thousands of Americans in all 50 states.



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Dear Readers,

2014 might have looked a bit placid compared to the chaos of 2013.

But don't let that fool you. Unless Congress acts, sequestration relief expires on October 1, 2015, and we face the prospect of continued budget uncertainty. The White House has flooded the regulatory system with contractor-specific executive orders creating contractor-unique pay scales, employee management requirements, and new punishments for labor law violations. Then there is the market itself, which is shifting and advancing in ways that require significant adjustments by both industry and government.

Recognizing the near and longer term challenges and changes facing our market, in 2014 PSC began a wholesale reorganization to strengthen our advocacy, improve our ability to proactively drive smart contracting policies, and to articulate the value our industry provides to the government and the taxpayer. Most of all, these changes are designed to improve the PSC membership experience and membership value.

In June, PSC's Board of Directors approved a plan to reorganize around five internal councils, profiled in the pages that follow, which together significantly expand our technology portfolio, hone our focus on the government customer base, significantly build our core staff capacity and capabilities, enhance member engagement, and cement our role as the industry's leader and voice.

As a corollary to the reorganization, and in response to many and diverse acquisition policy initiatives across the government, PSC also convened the Acquisition Policy Review Committee to make recommendations on the future of government acquisition and technology policy. The result was a 30-page report issued in July offering 42 actionable recommendations for the government to improve how it does business. A summary of the report's findings and recommendations follow. Most importantly, the report resonated widely and key recommendations are already being implemented by the government. All of this is in addition to our leading role on numerous policy initiatives and challenges, from labor policy to IT acquisition, from international development strategy to smart contracting across the board.

Your involvement and engagement in PSC and active participation in our efforts to serve the common good of the industry, government and the American people, are essential to our continued success. In this report, you will not just find summaries of the year that was, but also roadmaps for your engagement that will ensure that you both optimize the value of your membership and play a meaningful role in PSC's efforts to meet, and indeed exceed, our goal of being the leading advocate and resource for this extraordinary industry.

Thank you, as always, for your support of PSC.

Sincerely,

Stan SolowayPresident & CEO
December 2014

2014 Year in Review

January



1. 1 PSC's first female chair, Ellen Glover of ICF, takes the helm of the PSC Board.



1.10
PSC partners with NVTC to present Sen. Warner and Rep. Wolf in a discussion of the debt ceiling debate and budget issues.

February



SIGAR John Sopko talks lessons learned from the Afghan reconstruction at a PSC Dialogue Series Lunch.



2.25
PSC sends letter of support to Hill on Federal IT Acquisition Reform Act, which became law in the National Defense Authorization Act.

April



PSC PAC hosts Rep. Mac Thornberry for a discussion on acquisition and other House Armed Services Committee activities.



4.15

OMB Deputy Director for

Management Beth Cobert keynotes
a Dialogue Series Luncheon on
the administration's management
agenda.



5.19
Congressional candidate
Ambassador Don Beyer talks with
PSC's leaders about his priorities
for the region as he prepares for
his campaign.



5.20 PSC publishes white paper on whistleblower protection program.



1.27

The 2014 Leadership Summit convened to discuss current market drivers and set the course for PSC's policy agenda.



1.28

PSC begins engagement on contractorspecific labor executive orders as the first one, on minimum wages, is released.

March



3.11
The PSC Technology Council is launched.



3.16 – 18

Marketview 2014: The Spring Conference convenes to examine specific drivers of key markets.

May



5.5
DCAA Director Pat Fitzgerald joins a packed house to discuss DCAA's priorities at a Dialogue Series Luncheon.



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5.13
PSC announces the Technology
Council Executive Advisory
Board, chaired by IBM's Anne
Altman.



5.28

TMA Redux: GSA's Acting Director of Acquisition Operations Jim Ghiloni and OPM's Deputy Assistant Director for Human Resources Solutions George Price address the industry on the future of the GSA-OPM partnership.

June



6.2

How is technology forging the future at DHS? PSC members heard from former Secretary of Homeland Security Michael Chertoff, followed by a panel of industry, government and Hill experts on the role of technology in our nation's security missions.



6.5

Congressional candidate Micah Edmond discusses national security issues with PSC CEOs.



6.20

The PSC Technology Council Executive Advisory Board meets to chart the course for our first new council.



6.26

PSC PAC hosts Rep. Rob Wittman to talk about HASC and the Smart Contracting Caucus.

August





PSC's Acquisition & Business Policy Council announces its Executive Advisory Board, chaired by ASI's Kymm McCabe.

September



9.10

Tim Helm of the Labor Department Wage and Hour Division outlines new labor requirements for contractors and details the impacts of the new labor executive orders at an important PSC roundtable.



9.24

Five member companies join with PSC to discuss Employee Stock Ownership Plans and the unique options available to contractors.





PSC's Civilian Agencies Council announces its Executive Advisory Board, chaired by Abt Associates' Kathleen Flanagan.



6.]]
Dave Wennergren joins PSC's staff as senior vice president of technology and staff lead for the PSC Technology Council.



6.18
PSC launches a new operating model to address the changing nature of our industry.

July



7.28

PSC releases its Acquisition and Technology Policy Agenda to the House and Senate Armed Services Committees.



7.28

PSC submits comments to Department of Labor on minimum wage proposal.



9.15
The PSC Technology Council kicks off with OMB's Beth Cobert as keynote speaker.





9.18
The PSC Defense & Intelligence Council
Executive Advisory Board announced, chaired by MCR's Neil Albert.

October



10.6-8

The PSC Annual Conference gathered over 500 government and industry executives for the year's most important event.



10.14

PSC releases major survey on market convergence with member company Market Connections.





PSC partners with the Equal Employment Advisory Council (EEAC) for a special event on pre-employment screening, security clearances and continuous monitoring of employee social media.



10.29

Protecting Employees Abroad: The Ebola Outbreak took a deep look at how international development firms and other contractors can ensure that their employees follow proper protocols and protections when working in dangerous environments.

November



11.17

Former Rep. Tom Davis and a panel of industry experts detail the impacts of the 2014 mid-term elections.



11.18

The PSC Council of International Development Companies holds its 2nd annual conference with Deputy USAID Administrator Alfonso Lenhardt and Sen. Tim Kaine as keynotes.

December



12.1

PSC welcomes aboard former NAVSEA Director of Contracts Jerry Punderson as new senior vice president of defense & intelligence and staff lead of the Defense and Intelligence Council.



12.3

The PSC Acquisition & Business Policy Council kicks off with a dialogue with Anne Rung, administrator of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy.

12.12



PSC releases comprehensive, members-only NDAA summary and analysis.



2.18

DHS Secretary Jeh Johnson addresses the PSC Board of Directors/Annual Membership meeting.



PSC by the Numbers

The PSC Membership by Company Size Reflecting the Make-up of the Industry

21% Large Businesses

31% Mid-tier Businesses

48% Small Businesses

375 + Member companies represented

2000+

Social media followers

750 C-Suites & Sr. Executives participating

630 media citations

60 Council, Committee & Task Force meetings

22 Columns

 $18^{
m Regulatory\ comments}$ & Agency letters

- Acquisition Policy Review Committee meetings
- Policy programs
 - 9 Hill letters
 - 7 PAC/Member of Congress events
 - 5 New Councils
 - 4 Conferences
 - 4 Major publications
 - 3 Dialogue Series events
 - 2 Board meetings
 - Member engagement sessions

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2014 Executive Committee

Composed of the PSC Board of Director's chair, vice chair, secretary, treasurer, and at least eight other Board members from each of PSC's four membership size categories, the Executive Committee is PSC's governing body, steering PSC's policy priorities, advocacy efforts and other activities. In 2014 the Executive Committee had 17 members, including the PSC president and CEO and executive vice president and counsel, who serve ex officio.



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2014 Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is responsible for the policy oversight and direction of PSC. The 80-person Board is elected by and from the regular membership and represents a cross section of the membership, evenly divided among PSC's four size categories. The full board meets twice a year in June and December, electing new members every December. Board members are called on to lead PSC councils and committees and to take part in various advocacy initiatives and events throughout the year.

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Acquisition & Business Policy Council

The Acquisition and Business Policy Council is the principal body for developing PSC's positions and taking action on cross-cutting, major acquisition policy issues. Its focus encompasses wide-ranging issues such as multiple award and schedules contracts, the role of contractors, federal acquisition workforce development, commerciality, contract type and competitiveness, requirements development and evaluation strategies, alternative acquisition models, internal and external communication, and industrial base health and competition. The Acquisition and Business Policy Council fosters formal and informal partnerships with policymakers and allied stakeholders, and works toward an outcome-oriented federal services acquisition process through regular meetings, timely programs, and various other avenues.

Members can participate in the council, and its standing committees and topical working groups, by logging in to their pscouncil.org profile. Then select "committees and preferences" and choose the appropriate options from the councils, committees, and networks and working aroups sections. Make sure to hit "save" at the bottom of the page to record your preferences.

Message from Council Chair Kymm McCabe, President & CEO. ASI Government

To advance federal acquisition, we must view market challenges through a new lens and bring new thinking, innovative technologies, emerging models and the energy of a new generation. The Acquisition and Business Policy Council will engage member companies and our government customers in an exhilarating process of envisioning the future of acquisition and providing insights, shaping policies, and forging recommendations on the strategic choices required to achieve them. This is the primary goal I want to achieve as chair of the Acquisition and Business Policy Council, along with an outstanding executive advisory board.

To reimagine acquisition, we need to muster new possibilities. We and government need to deploy digital era expertise, approaches and solutions. Contracting professionals must be developed, encouraged and allowed to be creative, agile thinkers and market makers. Together, we can build a shared vision and measure our progress toward an even better, citizen-centric, cooperative, valuefocused future.

Committees

Acquisition Policy Committee

Contract Finance and Cash Flow Committee

General Counsels Committee

Human Resources and Labor Policy Committee

Services Industry Competitiveness Committee

Working Groups

Acquisition Workforce

Audits & Compliance

Commerciality

Educating Leadership

Industrial Base Health

Improving Pre-Award Acquisition Planning

Innovation

Labor Policy

Outcomes Orientation &

Accountability

Procurement Avoidance

Smart Contracting Policies

Acquisition and Business Policy Council Conference

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<u>COUNCILS</u> Technology Council

The Technology Council delivers approaches that drive innovation, improves the application of technology in federal programs, fosters the dialogue between industry and government, encourages competition, and ensures effective agency results. The Tech Council's work focuses on three key efforts: 1) to **educate** the government and industry on significant federal market changes, 2) to **advocate** for effective legislative, regulatory and administrative policies to significantly reform and improve agencies' acquisition and delivery of technology, and 3) to **facilitate** the sharing of commercial innovation for implementation within the federal government.

Members can participate in the council and its committees and working groups by logging in to their pscouncil.org profile and selecting "committees and preferences." Then choose the appropriate options from the councils, committees, and networks and working groups sections. Make sure to hit "save" at the bottom of the page to record your preferences.

Message from Council Chair Anne Altman, General Manager, U.S. Federal Government & Industries, IBM

The pace of information technology continues down its transformational path, driving powerful change within organizations of all stripes—from government agencies to small businesses and Fortune 500 companies. Knowing this, companies must respond. We have to understand that the new demands of our federal customers must drive and inspire our service offerings and our organizations. In addition, we must become more active and engaged participants on this issue, using our experience in private industry as a working case study, to show federal agencies how convergence can be done—and done right.

That is why the Professional Services Council created the Technology Council. The goal is to inform and lead the current conversation around key technology issues and opportunities and help federal agencies and stakeholders understand how the government can leverage new approaches to improve citizen services while managing costs. I hope that the work of council will also serve as a catalyst for our industry to take stock of the current environment, and as necessary, rethink our approach. Our federal customers have spoken and, as PSC members, our companies must recognize the signs and reflect this new demand through the products and services we offer to our customers.



Committees & Working Groups

Tech Best Practices Committee

Cloud Computing Case Study Working Group

Tech Innovation Committee

Tech 45 Working Group Cybersecurity Committee PSC Tech 2015 Conference

Planning Committee

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COUNCILS Defense & Intelligence Council

The Defense and Intelligence Council coordinates PSC's activities relating to the intelligence community, Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and all other Defense Department components where PSC member companies are active. It is the principal venue for PSC members to come together to provide thought leadership on defense and intelligence acquisition issues and interface with key officials through periodic meetings, timely programs, and various other forums. The Defense and Intelligence Council's major areas of focus include defense audits and oversight, security clearances, DoD's Better Buying Power initiatives, contingency contracting, and legislation affecting DoD and intelligence community contractors.

Members can participate in the council, and its committees and task forces by logging in to their pscouncil.org profiles. Then select "committees and preferences" and click the appropriate options from the councils, committees, and networks and working groups sections. Hit "save" to complete.

Message from Council Chair Neil Albert, Vice Chairman, MCR, LLC

Defense and intelligence business practices and acquisition procedures are in a period of transformation. Serious acquisition reform efforts are under way in both the executive branch and Congress. Budget constraints require more be done with less. And technological evolution and the changing R&D environment require the defense and intelligence community to reassess how it engages with industry, traditional government contractors and those providing cutting edge capabilities in the commercial market alike. Yet, of course, the threats at home and abroad do not wait for us to get our house in order.

I am pleased to be driving PSC's continuing work to improve how the Department of Defense and the Intelligence Community acquire the professional services and technological capabilities that are so necessary to maintaining a competitive edge and to successfully complete their missions.

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Committees

Intelligence Community Task Force

Defense Audit and Oversight Committee (proposed)

Defense Legislative Committee (proposed)

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Civilian Agencies Council

The Civilian Agencies Council focuses on the acquisition policies and strategies of the civilian agencies, including the departments of Homeland Security, Veterans Affairs, Health and Human Services, Energy and others. The Civilian Agencies Council conducts programs to inform member companies about civilian agencies' policies and initiatives, and serves as a forum for greater dialogue between PSC and the civilian agencies through regular meetings, timely programs, and various other forums.

Members can participate in the council by logging in to their pscouncil.org profile. Then select "committees and preferences" and click the appropriate options from the councils, committees, and networks and working groups sections. Hit "save" to complete.



Strengthening the acquisition workforce, appropriately selecting and administering contract types, and implementing new conflict of interest policies are just a sample of the topics that the Civilian Agencies Council will tackle as it works with PSC members and our agencies to establish an environment where contractors can continue to be successful while enhancing outcomes for civilian agencies. This is a far-reaching effort that will require engagement throughout PSC's membership, and I encourage all interested PSC members to become involved with the Civilian Agencies Council. Only through a robust, collaborative effort drawing upon the energy and expertise of PSC's dedicated members will we be able to bring our vision for successful civilian agency acquisition and missions to fruition.





Committees

Health and Human Services Task Force Homeland Security Task Force Veterans Affairs Task Force

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Council of International Development Companies

The PSC Council of International Development Companies (CIDC) brings together nearly 120 firms to create a dynamic, sustainable advocacy platform for U.S. development firms. The PSC CIDC engages in thought leadership and highlevel dialogue with USAID, and informs and advocates on contracting, regulatory, legislative, business process, and business development issues on the Hill and in the executive branch. The CIDC meets monthly.

Members can participate in the council by logging in to their pscouncil.org profile. Then select "committees and preferences" and click the box for the Council of International Development Companies from your options in the councils section. Hit "save" to complete.



The CIDC has grown and evolved since its inception three years ago and our 2014 Chair Jim Boomgard has been instrumental in that process. As an organization we have been able to come together with a common purpose of tackling development challenges and improving lives around the world. I am excited and honored to help lead our efforts this year and look forward to working closely with each member of the CIDC to ensure our voices are heard, and that we continue to elevate the role of international development companies not just as great implementing partners, but as thought leaders, innovators, and sources of best practices. We will continue our focus on working with USAID and the industry to address procurement reform, including ensuring that appropriate contract mechanisms are selected.





Executive Advisory Board

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PSC Networks

Communications Network

Specifically for those who are responsible for company communications, media relations, public relations, and marketing, this group shares information and best practices and discusses the trends and challenges facing our industry. PSC provides the Communications Network with a forum for sharing talking points on major issues as they emerge, as well as fact sheets dispelling the common myths surrounding our industry.

Conference Planning Committees

Responsible for planning conferences that focus on current business trends, the economics and federal business outlook for services, and other membership concerns, these committees create dynamic and timely programming, select speakers/presenters, and guide the PSC staff on conference logistics.

Government Affairs Committee

The Government Affairs Committee (GAC) meets the first Friday of every month and is often referred to as "the best information exchange in town." Each meeting features a special government guest discussing, on a non-attribution basis, one or more critical legislative, regulatory, or other policy issues. The second half of each meeting is the information exchange, where up-to-date information and materials on relevant issues and recent policy developments are disseminated and discussed.

Legislative Action Network

The Legislative Action Network (LAN) is the hub of PSC's congressional advocacy efforts. The LAN is a forum for PSC members and staff to share emerging information about key legislative initiatives and to develop strategies for communicating our message on Capitol Hill, and serves as the focal point for PSC's grassroots activity. More than just a discussion forum, the LAN convenes monthly or as necessary, both physically and virtually, to coordinate and amplify advocacy efforts on behalf of our industry.

Membership Development Committee

The PSC Membership Development Committee is made up of executives from PSC member companies and helps our efforts in recruiting and retaining members in the association.

To participate in any of the above committees and networks:

Log onto your pscouncil.org profile. Select "committees and preferences." Choose the appropriate options from the councils, committees, and networks and working groups sections. Hit "save" at the bottom of the page to record your preferences.







PSC's Acquisition Agenda: 2014 and Beyond

In 2014, acquisition reform was once again in the air. The House Armed Services Committee began an extensive, multivear review of DoD acquisition. Both the Department of Defense and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) embarked on separate reform initiatives, seeking to reduce nonvalue added regulatory and oversight burdens. And a Department of Homeland Security acquisition reform bill passed the House of Representatives.

In response to these acquisition reform efforts and more, and to guide the conversation going forward, in 2014 PSC established its Acquisition Policy Review Committee, chaired by John Goodman of Accenture Federal Services, with the aim of coalescing the deep knowledge and experience of our members into a unified policy agenda. The committee was comprised of three working groups-Defense and Acquisition, chaired by Neil Albert of MCR; Technology and IT, chaired by Anne Altman of IBM; and Protest Reform, chaired by Brad King of Robbins Gioia—and included representatives from more than 50 PSC member companies. While the agenda emerging from the committee covered a wide range of acquisition issues, from acquisition workforce training to contract types to definitions

of commercial items, its goal was simple: to facilitate an acquisition system that has the speed, agility, competition, innovation and acceptance for managed levels of risk needed to enable the government to successfully execute its missions. A summary of the committee's recommendations, released in July, follows.

Of course, setting the agenda was just the first step, and Washington is full of unread whitepapers gathering dust in forgotten closets. PSC has been relentlessly promoting and explaining its agenda to decision makers in Congress, DoD, OMB, and elsewhere, ensuring that those who matter understand what our priorities are, and why our priorities are important to them. PSC has established itself as a trusted partner, striving to ensure that the acquisition system works for industry, government, and the taxpayer alike.

But active member engagement remains essential as we continue to refine our agenda and confront the many challenges and obstacles coming our way. PSC's acquisition agenda cannot remain static, and your continued input is vital to ensuring that we are advocating on the issues that matter to you most.

Recommendations Included in PSC's 2014 Acquisition and Technology Policy Agenda

WORKFORCE: A well-trained, experienced, skilled and supported acquisition workforce is necessary to achieve successful outcomes. But the new generation of workers are still being trained and oriented to traditional and outdated practices and rules. The government should embark on a clear, steady and significant workforce transformation initiative grounded in cross-functional development, business acumen, technical skill and new and creative training and educations tools.

Amend the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act to give OFPP statutory authority over the entire acquisition workforce, including clear authority and responsibility over program managers.

Create a clearly defined career path for program management in the civilian agencies.

Institute new acquisition workforce requirements to include mandatory cross-functional rotations and training.

Create a new cross-functional career path for "technology management."

Create an Acquisition Excellence Council (AEC) with responsibilities including redesigning and restructuring the federal acquisition training system and developing a common evaluation and assessment process.

Launch a pilot program to identify and test alternative acquisition workforce training and development tools.

Align acquisition workforce requirements and certifications to the type of acquisition the employee will be conducting.

PRE-SOLICITATION: A good start doesn't guarantee success—but a bad start often guarantees failure. Decisions made in the pre-solicitation phase form the foundation upon which an acquisition is built, and missteps at this stage can "snowball" throughout the acquisition lifecycle. The government should establish processes that enable cost assessments and require cross-functional communication and collaboration before and during requirements generation to ensure accountability and transparency.

Provide agencies with an improved and more accurate tool for estimating the relative costs of contractor vs. government performance.

Require all significant programs be led and managed by an "Integrated Accountability Chain," that includes lead participants with functional decision making authority from all key internal stakeholder components (customer/operator, contracting, engineering, legal, budget, etc.).

Require, incentivize, and evaluate internal and cross-functional communication.

Conduct a study evaluating the utility and impacts of government certifications, such as FedRAMP.

SOLICITATION/EVALUATION: Mission outcomes must be the central focus driving all acquisition decisions. Solicitation and evaluation techniques, contract type and other elements must be specifically calibrated to the level of risk and complexity of work to be performed. This calibration can only be successful with ample communication among all stakeholders. Overly prescriptive and non-value added requirements hamper industry's ability to compete for work and deliver innovative solutions.

All acquisition strategies should be developed to fit the nature of the work to be performed, based on an objective taxonomy focusing on risk and complexity. Best value/cost-technical tradeoff (CTTO) should be the default evaluation technique used for services acquisitions except for the most basic, "commoditized" requirements.

Statements of Objectives (SOOs) should be the default solicitation technique for all but the most basic, "commoditized" IT or services acquisitions, and especially for major IT and complex services acquisitions.

When SOOs are not used, requests for proposals (RFPs) should explicitly allow contractors to offer an alternative solution or strategy that differs from the specific prescriptions included in the RFP as long as the proposed solution or strategy still meets the desired outcome.

When innovation is a goal for an acquisition, an "innovation template" should be added as an addendum to the RFP. This template can be populated by bidders to call-out specific innovations included in their proposal, their individual and collective costs, and expected returns on investment.

Explicitly authorize and require continuous communications—within the precepts of procurement integrity—within the government (between the program and contracting offices) and between the government and contractors.

Avoid the use of inappropriate procurement methods (e.g. reverse auctions) for other than purely commodity-based requirements.

Prime contractor past performance should be a key metric on all solicitations.

Require the disclosure of absolute weights of all evaluation factors (cost, technical performance, risk, etc.) in solicitations and task order requests that include evaluation factors.

Create incentives or remove disincentives for prime contractors to engage with and include emerging contractors/capabilities.

Remove and simplify regulatory and compliance burdens which prevent prime contractors from partnering with subcontractors.

Pre- or post-award cost audits on firm fixed price (FFP) contracts should be prohibited except in cases where deleterious evidence exists that would require an audit.

Eliminate the contractor compensation allowable cost caps for all but the very few top executives of a company; instead rely on competitive market forces within the relevant human capital market(s) to ensure fair and reasonable compensation.

If the allowable cost compensation caps remain, exemptions to the compensation caps should broadly include all high-demand career fields appropriate to the needs of the agency.

POST-AWARD/PERFORMANCE: An acquisition is not automatically a success the moment a contract is signed. Actions taken after award are vital to achieving mission outcomes as well as to improving future acquisitions. Steps must be taken to ensure that winning bidders and their government customers share information and maintain common expectations. Doing so helps enable technology refresh over the course of the contract lifecycle, mitigate protests and enhance past performance information.

Insert an "emerging technology provision" into technology solicitations and resulting contracts that allows contractors to integrate new or evolving technology into their solution during performance.

Require post-award "kick-off meetings" between all key government stakeholders and the contractor as a means of ensuring a common understanding of requirements and expectations of both transition and contract execution.

Require that post-award debriefings to contractors contain all information that would otherwise be releasable in the course of a legal discovery process, including a detailed description of how the contractor was rated in each of the evaluation criteria.

Develop accurate procurement administrative lead time (PALT) data metrics (to be made available to the public) to help inform ongoing process improvement and efficiencies.

Revitalize the past performance reporting system by requiring the thorough and timely completion of past performance evaluations by government offices coupled with timely notice to affected contractor(s).

Mandate the collection of protest data regarding all protests filed and resolved by agencies, including data on evaluation technique and contract type.

Every agency or component should form a protest review committee, comprised exclusively of government legal and contracting experts, which can be called upon immediately after a protest is filed for a large procurement to perform an independent review of the record and oversee any corrective action.

Institute "360 degree" assessments of the acquisition process.

ENSURING A COMPETITIVE INDUSTRIAL BASE: Socioeconomic considerations within federal acquisition, while laudable, must be carefully applied lest they come at the expense of mission outcomes. Minor adjustments to the requirements for small business set-asides, prime and subcontracting requirements, and commercial items definitions could improve both the viability of the federal marketplace and the offerings available to the government.

Establish separate small business prime contracting goals for specific categories of acquisitions.

All federal agencies should count subcontractor participation by small businesses on major systems towards its small business prime contracting goal achievements.

If the percentage of work set aside for small business in any given NAICS Code/Product Service Code is less than 50 percent or more than 200 percent of the government-wide small business goal, agencies must submit a report justifying why their small business utilization was so high or low in that sector.

Broaden the definition of a "commercial item" or "commercial service" to permit the entity producing the item or delivering the service to qualify so that each item does not have to individually meet the definition.

GENERAL/CROSS-CUTTING: Reducing and streamlining government-unique regulatory and legislative requirements would improve the flexibility for federal agencies to invest in technology, harness innovation, and access approaches offered by new market entrants. This can be achieved, in part, by reviewing, revising and clarifying existing requirements relating to commercial items, Cost Accounting Standards, intellectual property and data rights, and other areas as appropriate.

Agency Performance Improvement Officers should be empowered and required to create and report on metrics that indicate progress toward meeting agency strategic objectives.

Create an Information Technology Appropriation to alleviate the challenge of having to move money between different appropriation accounts.

Create a separate funding mechanism specifically to facilitate rapid (or "sprint") technology acquisitions.

Reduce non-value added regulatory and oversight burdens, such as those highlighted in the Council of Defense and Space Industry Association's (CODSIA) submission to DoD.

Raise the Cost Accounting Standards (CAS) threshold, explicitly prohibit CAS from being required for any small business setasides, and conduct an independent study on the utility and impact of CAS.

Revise and clarify the intellectual property and rights in data regulations.

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- Service Contractor Magazine
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- Schedule a PSC Market and Policy Briefing: To get a deeper understanding of drivers of the federal market, bring your senior executive leaders together for a market briefing.

Still need a hand? Contact the membership team!



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POLICY PARTNERS

Policy Partners

PSC participates in and partners with a number of industry policy groups, including:

- Northern Virginia Technology Council (NVTC)
- Acquisition Reform Working Group (ARWG)
- Council of Defense and Space Industry Associations (CODSIA)
- Human Resources Association of the National Capital Area (HRA-NCA)
- Specialty Metals Availability Reform Team (SMART Coalition)
- Congressional Smart Contracting Caucus





Human Resource Association of the National Capital Area

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Community Involvement

Each year, PSC works with a number of charity, industry, and community organizations.

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- A Billion + Change Pro Bono Initiative
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- Access Youth D.C.
- Special Operations Warrior Foundation
- 2014 STEM Symposium
-and of course, our ALS Ice Bucket Challenge Donation and video!













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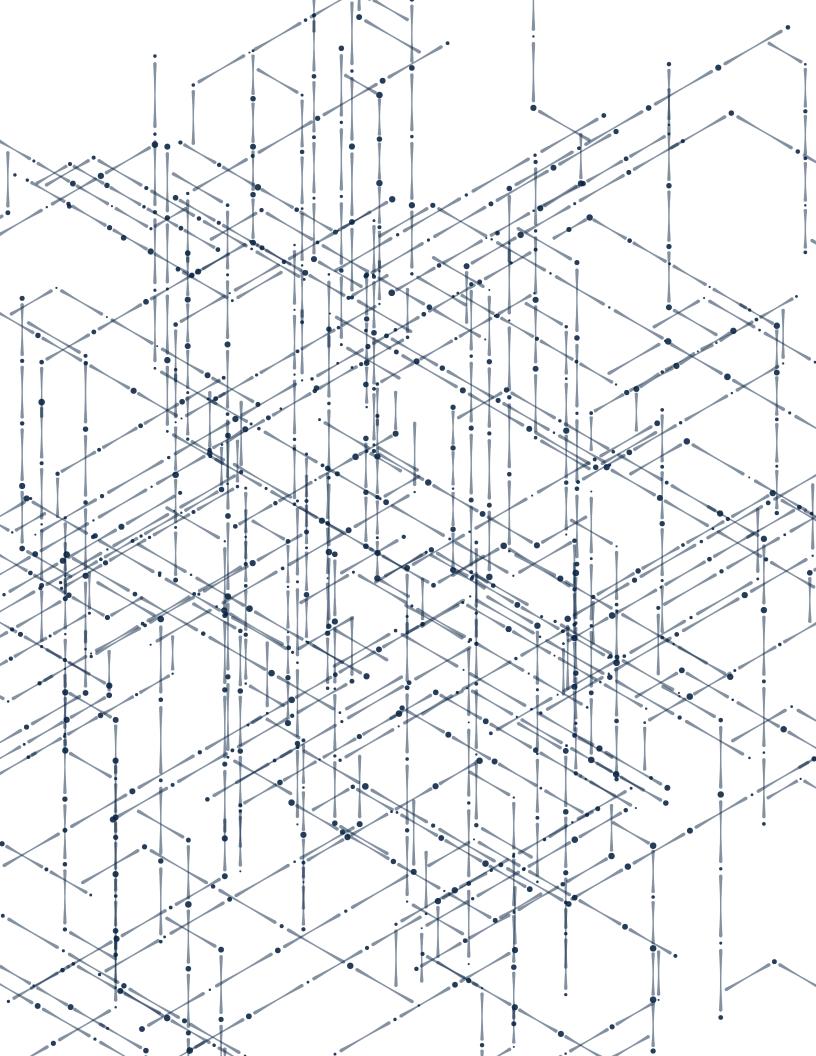
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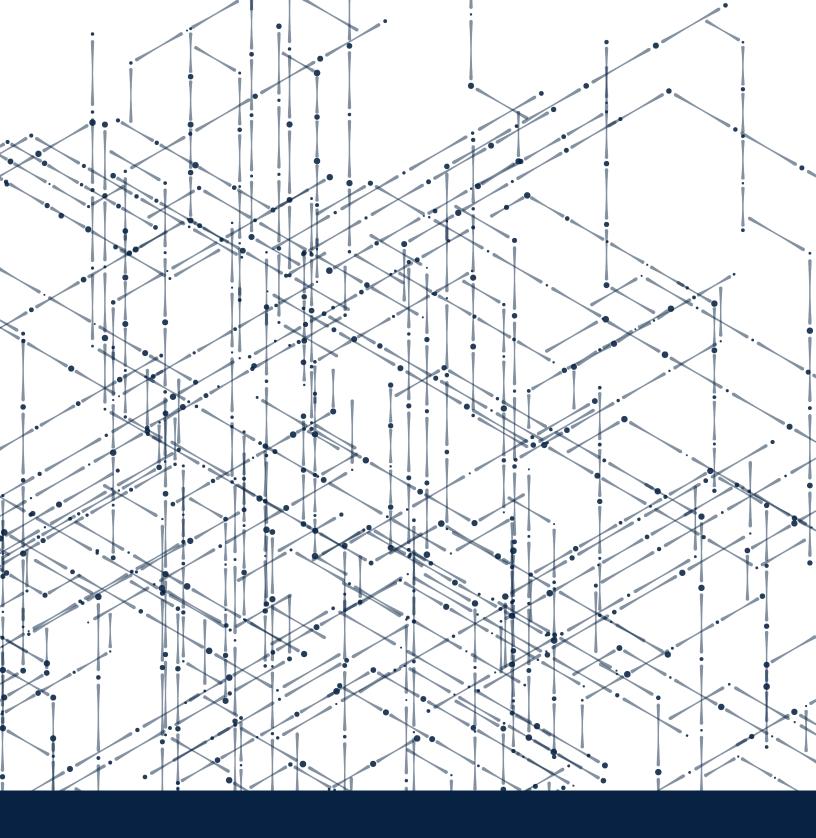
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