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# DISPATCH FROM THE NORTH: FINANCING INITIATIVES IN CANADA

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# **DUNSKY: OVERVIEW**



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#### **EXPERTISE**

- Energy Efficiency and Demand-Side Management
- Renewable Energy and Emerging Technologies
- Greenhouse Gas Reductions

#### **SERVICES**

- Design and evaluation of programs, plans and policies
- Strategic and regulatory support
- ► Technical support and analysis

#### **CLIENTELE**

- Utilities
- Governments
- Solution Providers
- Large consumers
- Non-profits



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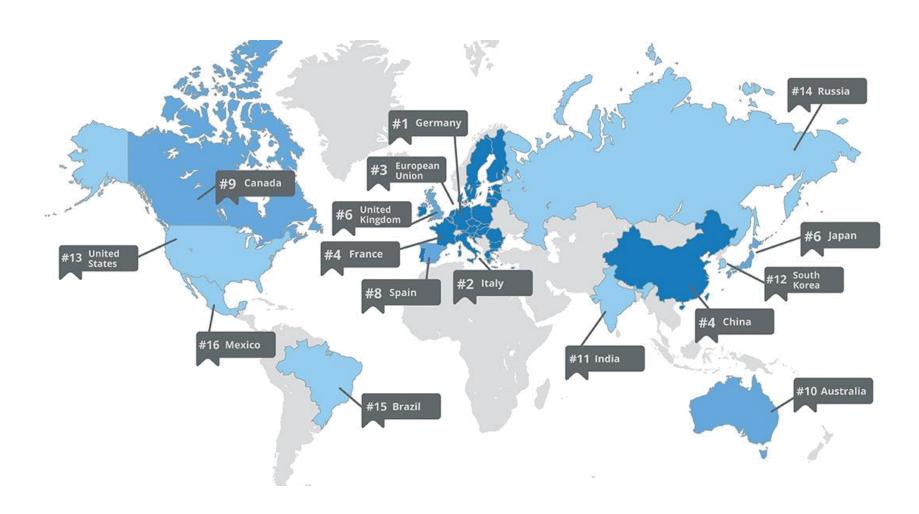
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# CONTEXT THE CANADIAN OPPORTUNITY

# CANADA IN THE WORLD







# UNTAPPED FINANCING POTENTIAL



#### Canada is still in the early days of EE financing:

- Green Banks at the provincial or federal level (yet)
- province issuing green bonds (+ federal via EDC)
- of Canadians have never used EE rebate programs or had an audit done
- of Canadian businesses have never used EE rebate or financing programs

But there is significant movement—let's take a look.

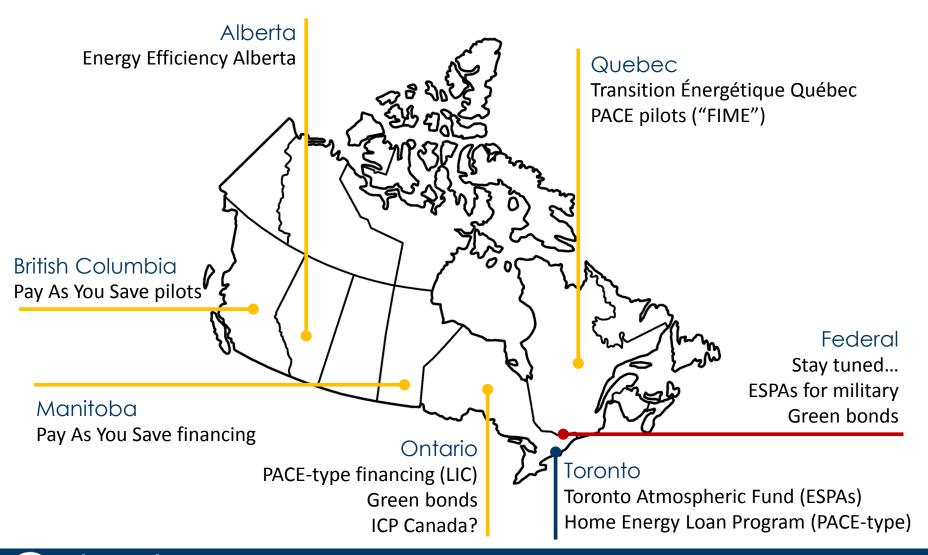


# KEY INITIATIVES

**UPDATES FROM SELECT JURISDICTIONS** 

# POLITICAL MOMENTUM







# CASE STUDY

ICP CANADA

#### **INVESTOR CONFIDENCE PROJECT**

### **OVERVIEW**





ICP reduces transaction costs by assembling **existing standards** and **practices** into a consistent and transparent process that promotes efficient markets by increasing confidence in energy efficiency as a demand-side resource.

# ENERGY PERFORMANCE PROTOCOLS

- Creates standardized projects with reliable returns
- Leverages existing standards (e.g. ASTM-BEPA, ASHRAE Guideline 14, EVO-IPMVP)
- ICP Project Development Specification
- Large, standard, or targeted commercial or multi-family buildings

#### CREDENTIALING SYSTEM

Uses credentialed
 Project Developers
 (originator), Software
 Providers, and third-party credentialed
 Quality Assurance
 providers

#### QUALITY ASSURANCE SYSTEM

 Implemented by credentialed QA providers, with standard ICP QA tools







## ICP CANADA?



In partnership with MaRS Discovery District, we explored **key elements** of a potential ICP Canada:

- 1. Market need
- 2. Technical fit
- 3. Administrative model

We also consulted the retrofit industry, in a bid to gather feedback and gauge interest.



# MARKET NEED: CLEARING BARRIERS



BARRIERS	INVEST CONFIT PROJE	DENCE	Project Financing (e.g. OBR)	Affordable Capital / De-Risk	Valuing Retrofits in Market
Building owners' knowledge/desire	)		•		✓
Budget priorities or competition			✓	•	•
Each building is uniquely complex		✓			•
Savings/energy prices uncertainty		✓	•		
Access to capital		•	✓	•	•
Return on capital/extended paybo	ack	•	•	✓	
Transaction size and cost		✓	•		
Poor audit and retrofit quality		✓			•
Split incentive (leases, MURBs)		•	✓		•
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## TECHNICAL FIT



#### Overall, ICP tools can be adapted to Canada:

- The ICP Protocols are built on guidelines and credentials that are commonly used in the Canadian building industry
- The Canadian and US construction industries are largely integrated

#### There are some differences to keep in mind:

- Building codes
- Financial institution risk tolerances and standards
- Government incentives





## **ADMINISTRATIVE MODEL**



Canada is no stranger to joint Canada-US certifications:







Establishing ICP Canada would require the following bodies:

- Steering Committee
- Administration
- ICP Certification Provider / Credentialing
- Technical Committee



# **BOTTOM LINE**





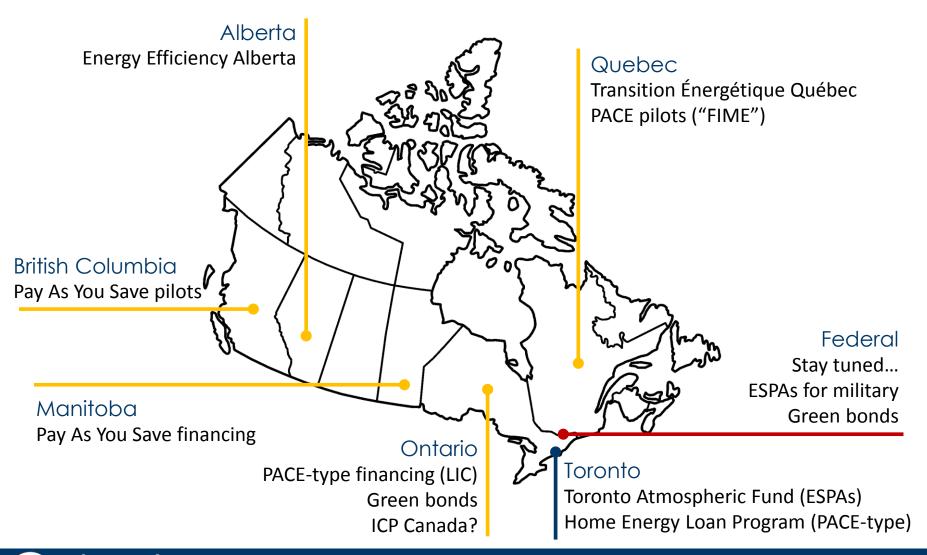
**Next steps include:** 1) stakeholder specific messaging; 2) identifying champions; 3) pilot program; 4) national roll-out.



# RECAP

# POLITICAL MOMENTUM







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# **APPENDIX**

## THREE PILLARS



#### **MARKET NEED**

- Can ICP help access untapped EE retrofit potential?
- Will ICP support a transformation of Canada's EE market?
- How does ICP provide value to investors?

#### **TECHNICAL FIT**

- Do certifications and guidelines fit the Canadian retrofit industry?
- What additional Canadian tools or guidelines are available?
- Is a full Canadian version needed or just an addendum to the US version?

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

- Who can act as the champions to bring ICP to Canada and generate support?
- How can ICP
   Canada best be
   administered in
   cooperation with
   ICP US?



# MARKET NEED: MARKET TRANSFORMATION

ICP Canada would **complement** other market transformation activities currently under development in Canada:

MARKET TRANSFORMATION INITIATIVE	ICP SUPPORT
Preferential tax treatment	Provide eligibility criteria
Mandatory upgrades & performance reporting	Build confidence on performance reporting underpinning mandatory upgrade
QA for project financing (e.g. MEETS, OBF)	Solid, standardized QA protocol
De-risking tools	Reduce cost of energy savings insurance



## MARKET NEED: INDUSTRY FIT



### Canadian industries saw the benefit in ICP Canada:

INDUSTRY	FEATURE	ICP SUPPORT
Utilities	May offer innovative finance and incentives	Supports project financing (off balance sheet)
Small commercial	Need support to develop EE retrofits	May increase investor confidence in SMB retrofits
Large property holders	Own QA/QC for retrofits	Standardizes RFP process
MUSH / Government	Need to get beyond capital projects	Supports EE retrofits on operating budgets
EE service providers	Hold key credentials	Values industry credentials



### **BOTTOM LINE**



#### **MARKET NEED**

- ICP Canada will need to demonstrate its value to financial industry
- Likely the make-orbreak factor

#### **TECHNICAL FIT**

- Standards and credentials are applied commonly in Canada and US
- A Canadian addendum to current ICP Protocols should suffice

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

- Examples of shared US-Canada standards are abundant
- Canadian based credentialing and certification likely needed
- Canadian Technical committee can adapt US version

**Next steps include:** 1) stakeholder specific messaging; 2) identifying champions; 3) pilot in Ontario; 4) national rollout.

