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**Addressing
Business Readiness**

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Despite the current economic downturn, the province of Saskatchewan is expected to maintain its new role as an economic driver in Canada. The demand for Saskatchewan's natural resources will continue to fuel economic growth, in relation to global demand for uranium, potash, and agricultural goods, putting Saskatchewan in a position of strength and opportunity for investors. Given Saskatchewan's economic prowess, it is vital that First Nations in Saskatchewan become better positioned to participate in the provincial economy by determining and addressing their level of business readiness.

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**Procurement Strategy for Aboriginal Business -
Booklet (INAC)**

an effective way to improve the well-being and quality of life of
Aboriginal people in Canada is to improve their economic opportunities.

Aboriginal economic development also helps strengthen the Canadian economy in general.

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Indigenous Business Development - More than just a good idea! (MCA)

The Resource Sector demonstrates to all Australians that building successful and sustainable Indigenous business is not just a good idea or an aspiration, it's happening today.

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"New awakening" in Indigenous engagement - Northern Ontario Business

(Northern Ontario Business News)

There's a new awakening to how mining companies deal with Indigenous groups and people are coming to realize the right way to communicate and benefit the company and Indigenous community.

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Aboriginal-owned energy company one-upping Tesla - Eco-Business

(Eco-Business)

The renewable energy storage game is about to be disrupted, with Australian Aboriginal-owned company AllGrid Energy announcing the launch of WattGrid, a new 10kWh solar energy storage system it says is around 30 per cent cheaper than the Tesla Powerwall.

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The Promising Future Of Indigenous Canadian Business (Huff Post Business)

Indigenous leaders today are faced with the daunting task of balancing the socioeconomic needs and priorities of their people with the finite resources passed on from government and their own source revenues. So, what is the answer to closing these socioeconomic gaps and creating a more promising future?

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Aboriginal Businesses Stimulate Positive Change in Australia

(Inter Press Service)

It took 20 years to bring his vision to fruition, but today the Mossman Gorge Centre is a successful indigenous ecotourism business in the world heritage-listed Daintree National Park in Queensland, Australia.

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Procurement boost for Indigenous business (PS News)



Under the new policy, a Government Agency may purchase goods and services valued up to \$150,000, including GST, from a recognized Aboriginal business as long the supplier's rates are reasonable and consistent with market expectations and that the Agency obtains at least one written quotation

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Canada's resource sector should mine Aboriginal human resources potential: MLI - Business Vancouver

(Business Vancouver)

While Canada's Aboriginal Peoples have successfully engaged with the natural resource sector, the relationship is an incomplete one that requires further diligence for all parties to receive its full benefit, says the co-author of a newly-released Macdonald-Laurier Institute report.

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Set-top boxes to become cheaper with indigenous solution

(Business Standard)



Set-top boxes (STBs) are likely to become cheaper as an indigenously-developed solution for conditional access system (CAS) will be made available to domestic manufacturers at less than half the current prices.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

January 26, 2016

Strategic Business Innovation in First Nation Finance
Saskatoon, SK

<https://www.picatic.com/BusinessInnovationFNFinance>

January 28, 2016

Round Table: Conversation with Aboriginal Business in Saskatchewan
Saskatoon, SK

<https://www.picatic.com/roundtablesaskatoon>

January 28, 2016

Ottawa Forum 2016: Building a Foreign Policy for Canada's Future
Ottawa, ONT

<http://canada2020.ca/events/ottawa-forum-2016/>

February 2, 2016

18th Annual Toronto Gala

Toronto, ONT

www.ccab.com

February 8, 2016

Career Expo

Saskatoon, SK

www.thefutureisyours.ca

April 19-21, 2016

4th Annual National Conference - Canadian Aboriginal Human Resource Management

Association (CAHRMA)

Saskatoon, SK

<http://www.cahrma.ca/resources/save-the-date/>

June 1 & 2, 2016

Creating Intersections for Growth

Swift Current, SK

www.seda.ca

August 2016

World Indigenous Business Forum

Saskatoon, SK

www.wibf.ca

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