

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between the Government of Yukon and the Arctic Training Centre

Subject: Economic and Technology Development of the North through Private Sector Collaboration

Addressed to:

The Honourable Premier of the Yukon
Government of Yukon
Whitehorse, Yukon

1. Purpose

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) sets forth the terms and understanding between the Government of Yukon (“Yukon”) and the Arctic Training Centre (“ATC”) to advance economic and technology development in Northern Canada. This partnership aims to leverage ATC’s unique private facility and expertise to attract global technology partners, foster innovation, and create enduring economic opportunities for Yukoners and the greater north.

2. Background

The Arctic Training Centre, located in the Yukon, Canada, is the world’s first and most diverse training and validation landscape, offering scalable and collaborative space and real Arctic terrain for advanced technology testing, validation, and training. ATC’s capabilities include Drone and autonomous technology validation, Arctic mobility, cold weather testing, challenging RF environment training, and multi-domain operations. The ATC will be a global centre of excellence for northern innovation and resilience.

3. Objectives

This MOU establishes a framework for collaboration to:

- **Promote the Yukon as a global hub for Arctic technology development and validation.**
- **Facilitate the attraction and integration of international technology partners** such as Boeing, Ventus Respiratory Technologies, Canadian Armed Forces, Dominion Dynamics, and the Arctic Defence College, among others.
- **Support northern economic growth** through job creation, international GTM for Northern businesses, skills development, and infrastructure investment, such as Alpha-el (a Yukon technology company)
- **Foster research, commercialization, and deployment** of advanced technologies suited for Arctic and sub-Arctic environments.
- **Enhance the resilience and operational readiness** of public and private sector organizations operating in the North.

4. Areas of Collaboration

Yukon and ATC agree to collaborate on:

- **Joint promotion** of Yukon and ATC as an unmatched destination for Arctic technology trials, validation, and training.
- **Facilitation of technology demonstrations, pilot projects, and showcases** involving global industry leaders.
- **Support for workforce development** through specialized training programs and knowledge transfer initiatives.
- **Co-development of infrastructure and logistics solutions** to support large-scale technology deployments.
- **Engagement with Indigenous and local communities** to ensure inclusive economic benefits and respect for traditional knowledge.

5. Long-Term Commitment

Both parties recognize that a long-term, enduring relationship is essential to maximizing the economic and technological potential of the North. This MOU is intended to serve as a foundation for ongoing collaboration, with regular reviews and updates as necessary to meet shared objectives and respond to emerging opportunities.

7. Non-Binding Nature

This MOU is a statement of mutual intent and does not create any legally binding obligations. Specific projects or initiatives may be subject to further agreements as required.

Signed on this day, July __, 2025

For the Government of Yukon:

Minister of Economic Development

For the Arctic Training Centre:

Founder and Chairman, Arctic Training Centre