

Homeland Security Office of the Chief Procurement Officer



Procurement Innovation Lab

Framework to apply new / existing flexibilities and take smart risks



Sponsored by the Chief Procurement Officer, the Procurement Innovation Lab (PIL) provides the DHS acquisition community a safe virtual space for experimenting with innovative techniques to increase efficiencies in the procurement process and institutionalize best practices. The PIL improves the efficiency and effectiveness of procurements by:

- **Lowering entry barriers** for non-traditional, or innovative, contractors;
- **Shortening the time-to-award**, thereby delivering capabilities to customers faster;
- **Encouraging competition** by providing interested vendors with a better understanding of the goals and objectives for each procurement; and
- Increasing the likelihood of successful outcomes by focusing on evaluation techniques to identify the most qualified contractors.

The PIL Concept of Operations supports two main activities:

Testing (Experimenting)

Apply innovative procurement techniques in actual projects and capture feedback and lessons-learned



Sharing (Institutionalizing)

Share best practices and sample documents DHS-wide via webinars, intranet portal, and outreach

The Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP) cited the PIL's innovative work when it announced a new initiative to accelerate the establishment of acquisition innovation labs in all federal agencies.

PIL at a glance



PIL Connects with the Acquisition Workforce by:

- 1) Supporting project teams on a bi-weekly basis until completion;
- 2) Establishing Acquisition Innovation Advocates (AIAs) in each HCA component;
- 3) Collaborating in the Government-wide **OFPP AIA Council; and**
- 4) Sharing best practices and lessons learned via webinars, boot camps, and intranet resources.

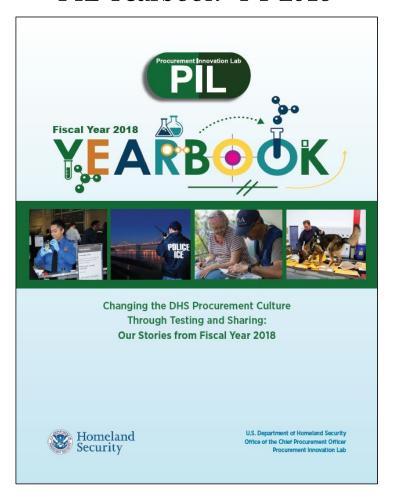
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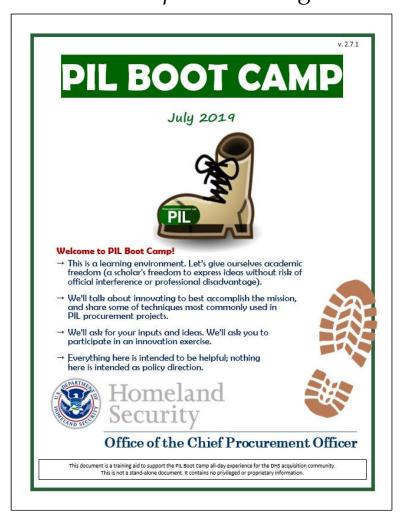
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PIL Yearbook- FY 2018



PIL Boot Camp Workbook "Nine (9) Successfully-used Techniques" Training



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