# Ecuador's Decree 461 — SERCOP Legally Required to Adopt AI Early-Warning Alerts in Public Procurement, Backed by a US$22.9M IDB Loan (No Results Yet)

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Quality score: 33/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited


### *Summary*

Decree 461 (30 Jul 2026) adds art. 426.1 to Ecuador's procurement rules, obliging SERCOP to progressively use AI, machine learning, NLP and automated early-warning alerts to flag risks, without replacing award decisions. A US$22.9M IDB-funded platform is planned; no results yet.


### *Key dimensions*

| Dimension | Score |
|---|---|
| Evidence of impact / measured public value | 0/3 |
| Transparency, fairness & accountability | 1/3 |
| Transferability / demonstrated replication | 1/3 |
| Scalability beyond pilot | 1/3 |
| Governance, capability & sustainability | 2/3 |

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### *Data sources*

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