FRANCE-CANADA RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

Role of the scientific service of the French Embassy

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Our missions

• Monitor advances in science and technology in Canada

• Establish and/or strengthen partnerships in science and technology

• Promote exchanges of student, researchers and young entrepreneurs
Establish and/or strengthen partnerships in science and technology

Organization and support of exploratory missions
Fields of specific interest for both countries (example: Oceanography, June 2020 - 2021)

Organization of bilateral workshops and symposia:
To promote French expertise
Examples:
Financial support from the French Embassy
Promote exchanges of students, researchers & entrepreneurs

MITACS – Embassy partnership

GRI & GRA programs

Scientists mobility from/to France: Mourou-Strickland program
Promote exchanges of students, researchers & entrepreneurs

Scientists mobility from/to France:

Mourou-Strickland mobility program

https://tinyurl.com/mourou-strickland-2020-EN

Round trip air ticket + 3 days allowance

In 2019 : 3 researchers from FR @U.Alberta
Tools to foster FR-CAN scientific cooperation

French Research Institutions

European Funding: H2020

France-Canada Research Fund

FCRF/FFCR
CNRS: the largest publicly-funded research institution in the EU

32,000-strong workforce

......... 24,600 permanent staff members

............... 11,100 researchers

............... 13,500 support staff

€3.3 billion annual budget

...... €2.6 billion State subsidy

...... €770 million self-generated income

http://www.cnrs.fr/
Research at CNRS is mostly performed in partnership

1,137 units spread in mainland France, French overseas and abroad

1,002 research units (laboratories)

96.9% of CNRS laboratories (units) are jointly operated with
- academic partners (universities, research institutes)
- industrial companies
# International partnership tools from CNRS

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Funding of Canadian laboratories through the
New Frontiers in Research Fund

Value: Maximum of C$125,000 per year (including indirect costs) per project

Duration: Up to four years

Competition budget: $10M over four years

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The France-Canada Research Fund (FCRF) is a seed funding, which acts to promote French and Canadian scientific and academic exchanges in every field of research, from sciences to humanities.

This program provides support for research joint projects developed by French and Canadian teams on a new collaboration project.
Consortium of 20 Canadian universities
France-Canada Research Fund

Since 20 years: > 300 funded projects
incl. 5 projects from U.Alberta
15-20 projects/year; 15k$/project
Peer Evaluation in FR and in CA

Partners:

2 co-presidents: 1 CA + 1 FR

Pr. R. Heap

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