

# Una década de colaboración en Eureka entre Canadá y España

(Presentación en inglés)

National Research Council of Canada  
Industrial Research Assistance Program

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# Canada has a Strong Foundation for Innovation

## Higher Education System

- Most educated workforce in the OECD with 60% of the population aged 25-64 having a tertiary education
- Higher education expenditure on R&D as a % of GDP ranked 7th out of 32 OECD countries in 2020

## Venture Capital Ecosystem

- 3rd in the world for VC investment as a percentage of GDP (2019)
- 2021 saw a record-breaking level of annual VC investment, with \$14.7B invested over 752 deals, more than doubling the previous record year in 2019

## Early-Stage Entrepreneurial Activity

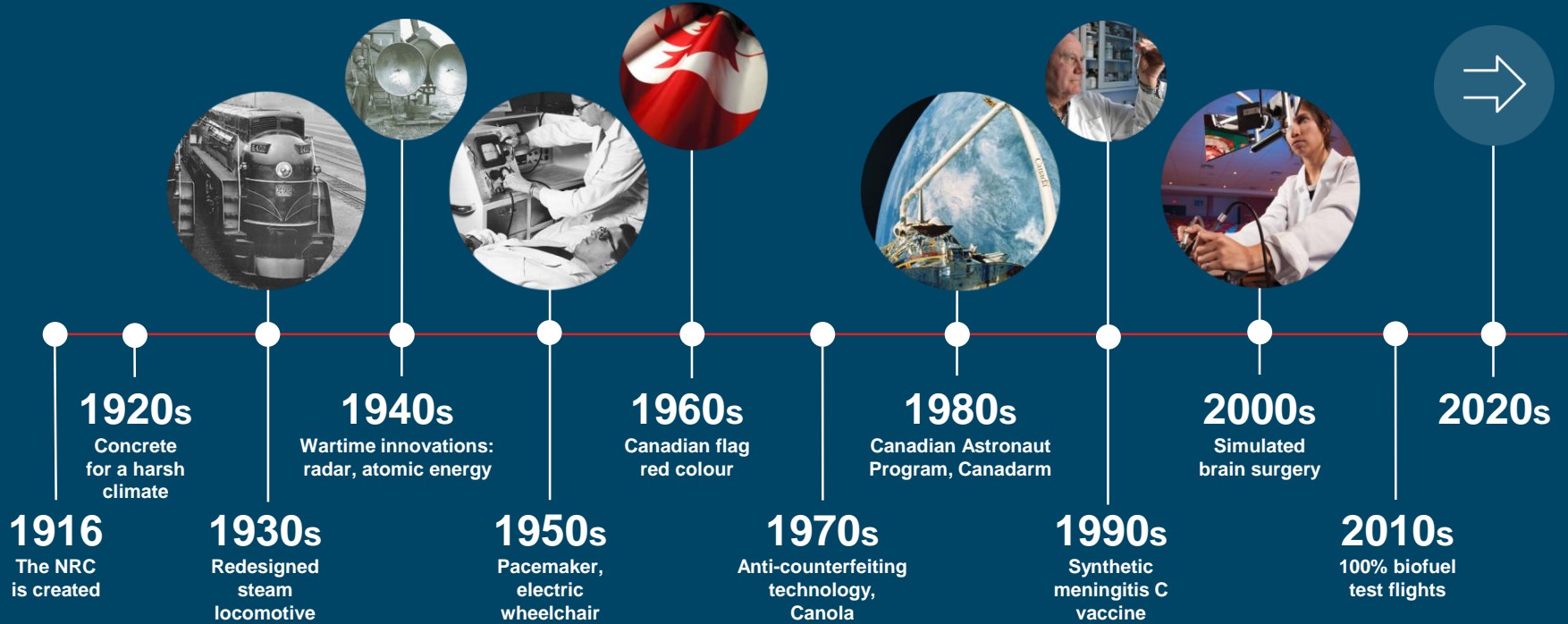
- Maintained its leading position amongst innovation-led economies for its total early-stage entrepreneurial activity in 2020 (Global Entrepreneurship Monitor)



## THE NRC DELIVERS VALUE TO CANADA IN TWO WAYS

1. National network of research centres performing research and technical services with partners
2. National funding program • the Industrial Research Assistance Program

# A CENTURY OF INNOVATION



# R&D locations across Canada

<b>CHARLOTTETOWN, PE</b>	Natural product development
<b>EDMONTON, AB</b>	Nanotechnology
<b>FREDERICTON, MONCTON, NB</b>	Cybersecurity • Software development
<b>HALIFAX, KETCH HARBOUR, NS</b>	Natural product chemistry and bioprocessing
<b>LONDON, ON</b>	Additive manufacturing and automotive
<b>MISSISSAUGA, ON</b> IN PROGRESS	Advanced materials
<b>MONTREAL, QC</b>	Advanced biologics analytics • Advanced sensor systems • Biomanufacturing pilot plant • Digital health • Environmental monitoring and remediation • Intelligent machining • Medical Devices • Microfluidics • Polymer and composites • Powders for additive manufacturing • Robotics • Thermal spray coatings
<b>OTTAWA, ON</b>	Aerospace • Battery abuse testing • Big data analytics • Construction • Materials testing • Metrology • Quantum • Photonics • Transportation • Vaccines
<b>SAGUENAY, QC</b>	Aluminium materials and manufacturing
<b>SASKATOON, SK</b>	Plant biotechnologies
<b>ST. JOHN'S, NL</b>	Ocean engineering
<b>VANCOUVER, BC</b>	Batteries and fuel cells
<b>VICTORIA AND PENTICTON, BC</b>	Optical and radio telescopes
<b>WINNIPEG, MB</b> IN PROGRESS	Emerging manufacturing technologies • Medical Devices



OCEAN COASTAL  
AND RIVER  
ENGINEERING

Ejemplo

# Researching engineering solutions in harsh marine environments such as ice, waves, cold, and wind

**Key research areas** • Arctic research • Digital waterways • Flooding • Marine and coastal infrastructure • Ocean engineering



# NRC AND UNIVERSITY COLLABORATION CENTRES

**Ocean  
science**  
with Memorial  
University

**Cybersecurity**  
with the  
University of  
New Brunswick

**Microfluidics**  
with the University  
of Toronto

**Mathematical  
sciences**  
with the  
Fields Institute

**Green Energy  
Material**  
with the University  
of Toronto

**Artificial intelligence,  
Internet of things,  
and cybersecurity**  
with the University  
of Waterloo

## COLLABORATION: CANADA'S GLOBAL INNOVATION CLUSTERS

Business-led innovation hubs to accelerate growth in key industries

Connect innovators, investors, academic institutions, not-for-profits, companies and researchers.



ADVANCED MANUFACTURING



DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES



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PROTEIN INDUSTRIES



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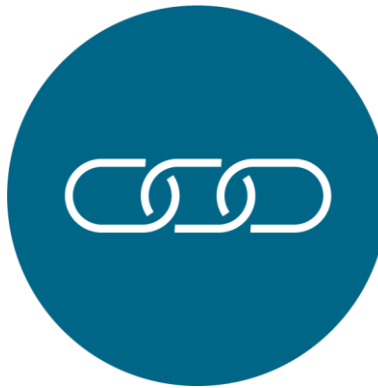
# Industrial Research Assistance Program • NRC IRAP



**PROVIDE ADVICE,  
CONNECTIONS,  
AND FUNDING**  
to help Canadian  
small and medium-sized  
businesses increase their  
innovation capacity and  
take ideas to market



**SERVE OVER 8,000  
CLIENTS ANNUALLY**  
(advisory services + funding)  
across all industry sectors  
and fund over 3,000 clients



**LINK INNOVATIVE  
CANADIAN SMES TO  
GLOBAL VALUE CHAINS**  
and support their growth  
by providing access to  
current technology and  
business market intelligence  
on priority industry sectors



**SUPPORT YOUTH**  
with employment  
programs



# Industrial Research Assistance Program • NRC IRAP

**75-YEAR**

PROVEN TRACK  
RECORD (SINCE 1947)

**€220M\***

ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION  
FUNDING TO SMEs

**8,000+**

FIRMS RECEIVING  
ADVISORY SERVICES  
OR FUNDING

\* Thereabouts, at 29 Sept.2022 CAD-EUR exchange rate.

# Industrial Technology Advisors (ITAs)

- Private sector experience
- Later in career cycle (typically 20+ years experience)
- Senior managers and entrepreneurs
- Most have an engineering or science background
- >265 advisors across Canada



# Helping SMEs succeed globally

## IRAP CONNECTS SMEs TO THE GLOBAL VALUE CHAIN

- Large enterprises networking
- National sector experts teams
- Matchmaking / Partners Search
- Tools to support international growth



## PROGRAMS

- International Co-innovation Action Plan
- **Eureka / Eurostars / Clusters → Europe+**
- GAC:CIIP → Brazil, India, Israel, South Korea
- Bilateral Calls: **Spain**, France, Germany...
- CanExport reference



# Eureka Network

## Calls for international collaborative R&D projects

Typically 2-3 participants

All civilian (non-military) tech/market sectors

Funding type varies per country (Canada: → SMEs, grant type)

Bi/multilateral Calls, thematic or not.

- Eureka Canada - España 2022 (*EOI closed; call us.*)
- Eureka Canada w/partners from any Eureka country: TBD soon.



# Eurostars

Typically 2-3 participants from at least 2 different countries

All civilian (non-military) tech/market sectors

SME-led projects (leadership, 50%+ of project work)

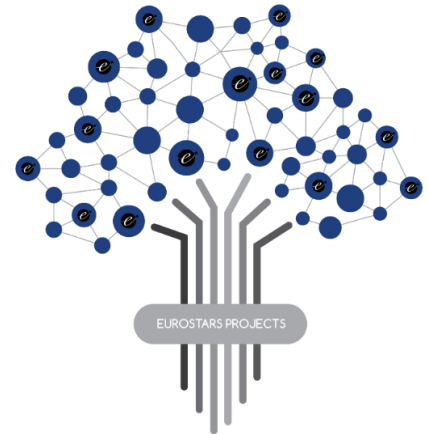
~34 Eureka member countries reserve funds

Funding always grant-type (Canada: →SMEs)

Fast decision (3-4 months)

**Next application deadline: March 2023**

[www.eurekanetwork.org](http://www.eurekanetwork.org)



# Eureka Clusters

Large precompetitive projects: 5-6+ (12, 15, 20...) participants

Sectors: Software, Electronics, Telecom, Low-carbon, Advanced Manufacturing\*

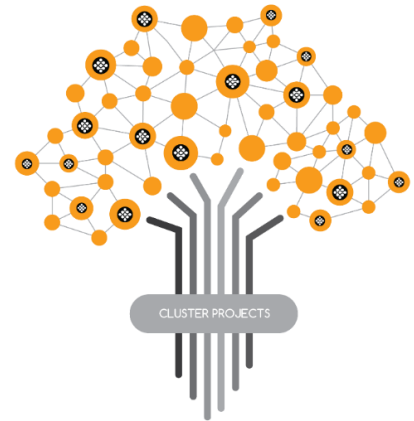
Typically at least one MNE/project; global value chains

Funding availability and type varies per country

- **Canada supports all Clusters** with grant-type.

Evaluation by Clusters; cluster fees.

**New calls in Fall 2022**



\* Eureka SMART Cluster office in San Sebastián, Spain.

# Co-Development Partners Search

256+ NRC IRAP Industrial Technology Advisors, locally embedded

200+ Research and business orgs in Canada, part of IRAP's network

Yes, we have a form. It's painless.

Hint: The more nitpickingly precise you are,  
the higher the chance of finding a match.

NRC – International Partner Search Form

**2. The Project**

Main technological area

Description of the proposed project

Other companies or organizations involved in the project (if applicable)

Expected costs and contributions

NRC – International Partner Search Form

**3. Desired Partner**

Type of partner needed (ex. R&D, manufacturing, technology partnering)

Main characteristics or specific expertise needed

Contribution being sought from partner

**4. Consent**

I hereby provide my consent to disclose this form to third parties in the process of identifying potential partners for the proposed project

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_

# OFMS

## Optical-based fuel monitoring system for aerospace applications

- Eureka Network, 2020-2023, budget €1.8M\*
- **Canada:** Opsens Solutions
- **Spain:** TEMAI Ingenieros, S.L.



*“This (...) represents a major breakthrough as it offers high accuracy and reduced weight, resulting in lower fuel consumption and contaminant emissions, is inherently safe and immune to electromagnetic interference, is easier to install in the aircraft with fewer components and less complex wiring, and is expected to reduce maintenance costs.”\**

\* From Eureka projects database

# CATSET

## CATtle Satellite Ear Tag Platform

- Eurostars, 2021-2023, budget €1.86M
- **Canada:** Laipac
- **France:** Kinéis
- **Spain:** Digitanimal



*“This unique device has cellular connectivity with satellite fallback whenever animals roam outside of terrestrial networks. This ear tag is self-powered with a solar cell for self-autonomy. It can detect cattle's health, location, and the estrus phase to apply for the insemination.” \**

*\*From NRC IRAP proactive disclosure*

# CyberFactory#1

## Addressing opportunities and threats for the Factory of the Future (FoF)

- Eureka ITEA Cluster, 2018-2022, Budget €24.6M
- **Canada:** Bluewrist
- **Spain:** Airbus Defence & Space; Eneo Tecnología; PAL Robotics; S21Sec; Trimek
- **Finland, France, Germany, Portugal, Turkey.**



*“Project CyberFactory#1 has designed, developed, integrated and demonstrated a set of key enabling capabilities to foster the optimisation and resilience of the Factory of the Future. The impact is expected to reach around €150M additional revenues for the project partners and 450 extra jobs by 2025.”*

ITEA Award of Excellence 2022 for Business Impact!

# Merci - Thanks ¡Gracias!

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