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CARA East – November 14th

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NSERC support in Canada

- $1.1B invested annually
- 11,000+ researchers
- 32,000+ students and fellows
  - 10,000 trained in partnership with industry
- 3,600+ companies
  - Single largest funding source for Industry-Academic R&D partnerships in STEM
- 16,000 attendees
  - At regional partnership-building workshops (43% industry, 28% academia)
NSERC support in Atlantic Canada

- $60 M invested annually
- 800+ researchers supported
- 700+ students and fellows
- 200+ Companies
- 1000+ Regional events attendees
NSERC General Updates

› New VP Research Partnership
  › Dr. Marc Fortin
  › Since October 17th 2017
  › Past ADM at DND and CEO of DRDC

› Fundamental Science Review
  › New Canada Research Coordinating Committee (CRCC) since October 27th
NSERC Policy Updates

- Renewal of Institutional Agreements
  - Consultation during summer 2017
  - Final versions in Winter 2018
  - No major changes planned

- Tri-Council Policy Statement (TCPS2)
  - Consultation on Human cells research
  - Expected release in Spring 2018

- Data Management Policy
  - Policy in development
  - Consultation phase in early 2018
Upcoming Program Deadlines

Belmont Forum – BiodivERsA
- Pre-registration December 1, 2017
- Applications due March 9, 2018

College and Community Social Innovation Fund
- Deadline extended to December 8, 2017
Upcoming Program Deadlines

Networks of Centres of Excellence (NCE)
- LOI deadline **November 15, 2017**
- Invitations **February 2018**
- Full applications **July 2018**

Engage Grants
- Fiscal Year limit = **February 1st 2018**
Program Updates

- **Discovery Grants**
  - Self declaration for Early Career Researcher (ECR) or Established Researcher (ER)
  - Definition of ECR has changed to 3 years
  - HQP criteria was clarified

- **Discovery Development Grant (DDG)**
  - Limit of 1 per individual during the pilot

- **DND Supplements**
  - New target areas
Program Updates

➤ **Research Tools and Instrumentation (RTI)**
➤ University quotas have been removed
➤ The last competition reflected those changes

➤ **Community and College Social Innovation Fund (CCSIF) pilot**
➤ Renewed with $10M over 2 years
➤ Now delivered through CCI
➤ Deadline extended to December 8th 2017.
Program Updates

» Applied Research and Development (ARD)


» Up to $75,000/year = 2:1 match
  » 25% cash + 25% IK

» $75,000 – $150,000 /year = 1:1 match
  » 40% cash + 60% IK

» Applied Research Tools and Instrumentation (ARTI)

» Budget limited to $1M for the program
Program Updates

- **College-University Idea to Innovation (CU-I2I)**
  - Major policy changes to come
  - No competition this year

- **Collaborative Research and Development (CRD)**
  - New annual limit of $1M/year

- **Engage Grants for Universities**
  - February 1st deadline for 2017-2018 limit
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