

Dear Canadian colleagues,

Science & Technology Australia (STA) is proud to be a foundational partner for Science meets Parliament in Canada.

Over nearly 20 years, Australian scientists and technologists have built strong and enduring relationships with our nation's political leaders, thanks to our annual event - Science meets Parliament.

This well-attended and regular touch point with a cross-section of the nation's science, technology, engineering and mathematics sectors has become a key engagement tool for current and emerging leaders across the political spectrum. It's also an important mechanism for ensuring science and evidence have a central role in political decision-making, and the formulation of legislation and policy.

Science & Technology Australia is proud to support the special relationship between Canada and Australia by partnering with the passionate and dedicated members of the Canadian science community who are bringing Science meets Parliament to the other side of the world.

In Australia, Science meets Parliament has established enduring relationships between politicians and science and technology leaders; led to [valuable policy change](#) to the benefit of STEM business; [catalysed vital skills](#) for a range of Australia's STEM leadership; and has [helped to jump start](#) funding and support for important fields of research.

We are excited to support the establishment of this important event in the Canadian parliament, to build momentum towards a shared future in a global community that understands and enjoys the benefits to health, wealth and wellbeing brought by science and technology.

Science & Technology Australia will continue to offer our support and expertise to Science meets Parliament in Canada. We wish the organisers all the best with their work.

We also encourage all potential Canadian stakeholders – parliamentarians, universities, research institutes and agencies, businesses, STEM associations and societies, and others – to get involved as early as possible to support the success of this important initiative.

Kind regards,



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