

- extent to which matching funds are available from non-federal sources;
- extent of private sector involvement;
- where commercial confidentiality is not a factor, extent to which a broader Canadian research network can benefit from the proposed activity (diffusion of research results).

**Note:** particular attention will be given to proposals that bring together researchers from different sectors of the Canadian research community.

Where appropriate, activity supported by the JSTF should reflect or build upon other government policies and programs (i.e., the Strategic Technologies Program of Industry Science and Technology Canada and the Federal Networks of Centres of Excellence). Adequate consideration should be given to the protection of intellectual property brought to, and developed within, the collaboration.