

Objective: *Foster S&T partnerships of Canadian governmental institutions, the academic community and the business sector, with their counterparts in the host country.*

- Identify collaborative opportunities, key contacts, and recent developments in the market and policies of the host country, and report on them to the client base of the S&T program.
- Cultivate close working relationships with key departments and research organizations of their host country and their Canadian counterparts to promote the expansion of collaboration.
- Organize visits and missions of senior S&T officials to and from Canada in priority areas.
- Highlight Canada's scientific and technological capabilities within their host country by profiling Canadian governmental and university research excellence and its business R&D sector.
- Promote Canada's international technology development activities by:
 - i. showcasing Canadian technological capabilities and encouraging its commercial transfer to their host country
 - ii. facilitating the identification of, access to, and acquisition by Canadian companies of foreign technologies, and
 - iii. brokering partnering opportunities in international R&D technology development.

(Note: The extent to which this activity can be undertaken depends on the S&TC's ability to engage colleagues and / or task supervised staff available at the post, including Technology Development Officers, Trade Commissioners, and Economic and Commercial Officers.)

Relationships and Support

S&TCs are Canada's official S&T representatives in their host country, and report to a senior post supervisor. They work closely with:

- i. the Head of Mission and all officers and at the post in areas of S&T crossover
- ii. TBR
- iii. geographic bureaux
- iv. Canadian clients and partners.

TBR provides ongoing support by:

- i. acting as the node for information management and networking in Canada, e.g. by disseminating S&TCs' reports through various channels such as the SBDA Tasking Group
- ii. apprising the S&TCs of current S&T developments in Canada
- iii. providing the S&TCs with communication and marketing tools on Canada's S&T.

The missions provide core operational support to the S&TCs, including travel within their host country, to the extent needed to fulfill S&TC responsibilities