

Technology Inflow Program

The Technology Inflow Program (TIP) is a joint initiative of DFAIT and the National Research Council of Canada's (NRC) Industrial Research Assistance Program (IRAP) designed to help Canadian companies develop new products, processes and services through the transfer of foreign technology into Canada, when this technology is not available in Canada.

TIP assists Canadian companies in their efforts to acquire needed foreign technology in two ways:

- Technology Development Officers located in missions abroad advise companies on technology sourcing, licensing and strategic partnerships, as well as provide visitor services.
- IRAP provides financial assistance to companies for travelling abroad to investigate a previously identified foreign technology, and for working visits with prospective foreign partners, in order to acquire this technology.

TIP funding is based on cost-sharing principles. Contributions may be provided for international travel expenses related to the acquisition of foreign technology. Support for specific TIP projects are normally limited to \$10 000. Private-sector manufacturing and service firms with fewer than 500 employees are eligible to apply to the program.

Applications may be made through regional IRAP offices, and

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Canada-U.S. Defence Production Sharing Arrangement (DPSA)

DPSA gives Canadian manufacturers the opportunity to provide defence supplies and services to the United States Department of Defense and its contractors. Under the program, Canadian companies generally compete with U.S. enterprises. While the DPSA provides access otherwise not available under the NAFTA, it does not provide financial assistance.

Canada-U.S. Defence Development Sharing Agreement (DDSA)

DDSA, a companion to the DPSA, enables Canadian industry to share in the cost of U.S. Department of Defense research and development projects.

For more information on DPSA and DDSA, contact:

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