



between French and Canadian researchers and research-oriented SMEs through, for example, workshops and seminars; subsequently follow up with at least one more related event. (Sectors being actively promoted are applications from remote sensing data and telematics; future sectors to be selected will depend on the themes retained in the EU's Fifth Framework Program, which will be known in 1997.)

- v) Assist the National Research Council (NRC) in exploring the possibility of collaboration between France's Agence Nationale de Valorisation de la Recherche (ANVAR) and Canada's Industrial Research Assistance Program (IRAP) in support of co-operation between French and Canadian SMEs.
- vi) On an annual basis, identify a key emerging technology in France and gather and disseminate substantive

information on its technological potential to Canadian researchers, firms and National Sector Teams who could benefit.

- vii) Provide political support to the collaborative R&D workshops organized by the Conférences des Grandes Écoles (CGE) in France and the National Committee of Deans of Engineering and Applied Science (NCDEAS) in Canada.
- viii) Broaden the base of Canadian researchers working with France by pro-actively encouraging the inclusion of both Quebec and non-Quebec researchers, wherever possible, in partnership activities with France.
- ix) Use annual tours of S&T Counsellors and Technology Development Officers to Canada to meet with the maximum number of Canadian firms, including SMEs, for whom France offers key technologies.

