2. Objectives

The project was designed to identify opportunities for international cooperation in pre-competitive Information Technology R&D and to help the Canadian industry initiate and pursue joint ventures. It was specifically designed to:

- 1) collect information on the current R&D activities in Canada, Japan and Western Europe.
- 2) help identify potential partners, in specific areas, designated as promising for cooperation in R&D projects;
- 3) facilitate initial contacts and follow-up activities between interested Canadian, Western European and Japanese companies.

The Canadian survey was designed primarily to:

- 1) solicit Canadian interests in cooperative R&D;
- 2) notify Canadian companies of the opportunities and possibilities for cooperative ventures in long term R&D in informatics;
- 3) identify the current and future areas of activity in information technology R&D of Canadian companies, agencies and research centers.