

International development opportunities

There are often excellent business opportunities in development projects abroad. Try these programs if that's where your interests lie:

CIDA's Industrial Cooperation Program (CIDA-INC)

CIDA-INC is a contribution program available through the Canadian International Development Agency. It provides financial support and advice to Canadian companies planning investments or seeking contracts in developing countries, in a variety of sectors. The contributions cover part of the costs of developing business in these countries and include viability and technical studies, training of local personnel and addressing environmental issues. If your firm is planning a commercial project in a developing country, CIDA-INC has the support you need. See www.acdi-cida.gc.ca/inc for details.

IFInet

IFInet provides information on how to find and pursue international development opportunities funded by the Multilateral Development Banks, Bilateral Development Agencies, and the United Nations. The website offers prospective suppliers with information on the procurement process and funding priorities of the major international donors, Canadian success stories, and a weekly listserv that keeps exporters informed of major operational and policy developments. IFInet is accessible at www.infoexport.gc.ca/ifinet.

Canadian Initiative for International Technology Transfer (CIITT)

CIITT provides support for the identification and development of climate-change technology transfer projects that are headed for developing and developed nations. Go to exporttech.gc.ca for more information.