

The French government is providing some 700 million francs (for 1989) in financial assistance to its national participants in EUREKA projects.

- *European Laboratories Network*
The French government is supporting financially the participation of some 400 French laboratories in this network of the Council for Europe (21 member states). This program encourages co-operation between small European research teams wishing to participate in EC programs.
- *CNRS*
The CNRS has co-operative agreements with 32 countries including Canada's National Research Council and has representatives at certain embassies abroad, with the purpose of seeking new technologies for international technology transfer.
- *ANVAR*
ANVAR has two offices in other countries, one being Bonn, West Germany and the other in Washington, D.C. It helps French companies to mount international operations and will assist them in promoting new products and processes abroad. It also helps them to establish links with foreign firms in the same field.
- *CPE*
The Centre for Evaluation and Prospective Development is a network that collects scientific, technological, industrial, economic and social data world wide, but especially from the United States, Japan, the Scandinavian countries and Germany, and makes them available through publications.

- *ORSTOM (Institut Francais de Recherche Scientifique pour le Developpement Scientifique en Co-operation)*

This agency is a public scientific and technological research establishment (EPST). It makes available the national potential in science and technology and provides support mainly, but not exclusively for the francophone countries overseas.

- *Bilateral Agreement*
Under the bilateral Science and Technology Co-operation Agreement with Canada, some 30 scientists from each country have the opportunity to work in foreign laboratories every year.

CONDITIONS OF ACCESS

A corporate presence in France would facilitate access.

TECHNOLOGICAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR CANADIANS

Canadian opportunities lie largely in areas that compliment French strengths. Those include ocean industries, wood products, urban transportation, environmental equipment, telecommunications, electronic components, food processing and advanced manufacturing technologies.

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