

that are a fraction of Canada's contribution. It is rare for a federal government to grant the government of a federated or provincial state the status of a participating government in an international or regional organization.

Both participating provinces and the federal government have established mechanisms for providing information and for consultation, so that their actions are consistent and their participation in the Agency vigorous and innovative.

The provinces, in particular Quebec and New Brunswick, make important contributions other than through ACCT activities. They are also involved in the work of other governmental institutions such as the CONFEMEN and the CONFESJES. The head of the Canadian delegation, who speaks on behalf of Canada, may, in fact, be a provincial minister. Such an eventuality is particularly likely in the case of CONFEMEN, because education is not, strictly speaking, under federal jurisdiction. The provincial governments are co-operating closely in projects of Francophone non-governmental organizations.



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