The Department works closely with Investment Canada, Industry, Science and Technology Canada (ISTC) and provincial and municipal governments to identify investment priorities in Canada.

## TECHNOLOGY INFLOW PROGRAM (TIP)

**Program Objectives:** The program assists Canadian companies to acquire foreign technology to develop new Canadian products, processes and services.

TIP helps companies acquire technology in two ways. First, technology development offices located in posts abroad advise companies on technology sourcing, licensing, strategic partnerships and visitor services. Second, IRAP provides financial assistance for companies to travel abroad to investigate foreign technology acquisition and for working visits to assimilate the technology. These services are provided domestically through the NRC IRAP Industrial Advisors (ITA's) and internationally through EAITC Technology Development Officers (TDO's).

**Terms and Conditions:** TIP funding is based on cost-sharing principles. Contributions are provided to support international travel and living expenses. Support for specific TIP projects will not normally exceed \$10,000.

Eligibility: Incorporated (or registered) Canadian companies with fewer than 500 employees.

Contact: Applications may be made through your regional IRAP office listed in the yellow pages under "Technology Assistance" and the National Research Council Canada, Industrial Research Assistance Program, Montreal Road, Bldg. M-55, Ottawa, Ontario, KIA 0R6, tel: (613) 993-5326 and fax: (613) 952-1086

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