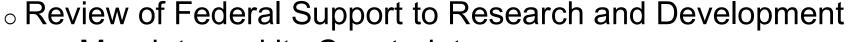
# Beyond the Jenkins Report: Why it's not just another study on Canadian innovation

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- Mandate and its Constraints
- The Report that keeps giving
- Choice Nuggets/Hidden Gems of the Report
- Canada needs a Talent Strategy
- Action and Aspiration Ahead

#### Mandate of the R&D Review

- What federal initiatives are most effective in increasing business R&D?
- Is the current mix and design of tax incentives and direct support for business R&D appropriate?
- What, if any, gaps are evident in the current suite of programming, and what might be done to fill the gaps?

#### **NOT** in the Panel Mandate

- Intellectual Property
- Competition Policy
- Federal Intramural R&D
- Basic/discovery research programs
- Science and technology programs
- Indirect Costs of Research program

## Six Key Recommendations

- 1. Create an Industrial Research and Innovation Council to deliver the federal government's business innovation programs
- 2. Simplify SR&ED for small and medium-sized businesses
- 3. Make business innovation one of the core objectives of procurement
- 4. Transform the institutes of the National Research Council
- 5. Improve access to risk capital through the Business Development Bank of Canada
- Establish a clear federal voice for innovation

# The Report that keeps giving

- Aerospace Review
- Supplemental Report on Procurement
- New consultations after Budget 2012
- Proliferation of Outcome Measurement studies
- Program Consolidation



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# **New Innovation Ecosystem**



**Degree of Focus** 



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- Transformative Programs
- Require Positive Net Benefit
- Favour National Scope and Broad Application
- Build Sector Strategies Collaboratively
- Require Commercial Success in Regional Innovation
- Establish Clear Outcome Objectives, Appropriate Scale and a User-Oriented Approach
- Design for Flexibility
- Assess Effectiveness



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#### Canada Needs a Talent Strategy

1.4 Talent — The Industrial Research and Innovation Council (IRIC) should lead the development of a federal business innovation talent strategy, working closely with the provinces and relevant federal departments and agencies, focussed on increasing business access to, and use of, highly qualified and skilled personnel.

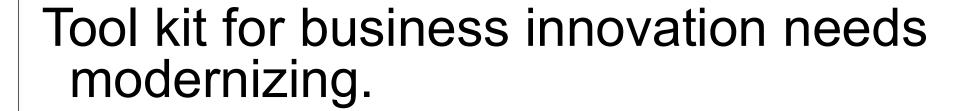


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#### **Actions and Aspiration Ahead**

- Action: Stop the blame game- differentiate and collaborate
- Action: Program consolidation
- Action: Governance changes
- Aspiration: a national Research Technology Organization built on the Fraunhofer model

## Key Takeaway



Report lays the ground for new approach.