

New federal capstone research funding organization - feedback requested

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Description

A [Letter to the Presidents of the federal research granting councils](#) [1] was published Thursday, June 20, 2024, by Minister Champagne (Innovation, Science and Industry) and Minister Holland (Health).

The letter provides a preliminary outline of a vision for a **capstone research funding organization** and asks the tri-agencies to engage with the research community on their proposal.

In Budget 2024, the Government of Canada announced the creation of this new capstone research funding organization within which the granting councils will continue to exist, with their focus on supporting excellence in investigator-driven research and actively contributing to the collective and strategic direction of the new organization.

Feedback Requested

Discussion questions have been provided by the ministries (see below).

- The University will be sending an **institutional response**. If you would like to contribute to the institutional response please email your feedback to avpres@uoguelph.ca [2] **no later than July 11, 2024**.
- Alternatively, or in addition, **individuals** can email their feedback to Secretariat.CRCC-CCRC@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca [3] by the Tri-Agencies deadline of **July 17, 2024**.

Discussion Questions

Based on the proposal above, and the parameters set out in the Budget 2024 announcement, feedback is sought on the following questions.

How can the new organization best address issues around:

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- coordination among the granting councils, Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI), and other key players to more effectively meet needs of the research community?
- the interface between researchers and research support?
- support for the modern research enterprise, including international research, interdisciplinary research, and industry-academia partnerships?
- What should be the early priorities for the new organization?
- How can the new organization best support mission-driven research, including in coordination with the CFI and other key players?
- How can effective linkages be built between the new organization, disciplinary communities and the broader research community?
- What are the key considerations around the integration of CIHR in the new organization and the preservation of connections to the Health portfolio?
- What are the key principles that should guide additional decision-making around design and implementation of the new organization?

Final decisions regarding implementation of the capstone organization will be informed by this engagement, and confirmed by the Government in the 2024 Fall Economic Statement.

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[1] <https://science.gc.ca/site/science/en/interagency-research-funding/letter-presidents-federal-research-granting-councils>

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