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## **NSERC Strategic Partnership Grants for Networks – New Target Areas**

### **Sponsor**

NSERC

### **Program**

Strategic Partnership Grants for Networks

### **Description**

Strategic Partnership Grants for Networks (SPG?N) fund large-scale, multidisciplinary research projects in targeted research areas that require a network approach and that involve collaboration between academic researchers and Canadian-based organizations. The four targets areas for this year's competition are: Advanced Manufacturing; Environment and Agriculture; Information and Communications Technologies; Natural Resources and Energy.

### **Eligibility**

The applicant should be an established researcher with a solid track record in collaborative research, student training and grant management, and who demonstrates the leadership and other skills necessary for managing a complex, interdisciplinary, multi-institutional project. The network must involve a minimum of five academic researchers who are eligible to receive NSERC funding, from at least three separate departments, faculties or institutions.

### **Funding Availability**

Category A: The network applies for SPG?N funds between \$500,000 and \$1.125 million per year for five years, for a maximum request of \$5.5 million.

Category B: The network can request NSERC funding between \$500,000 and \$1.125 million per year for five years, for a maximum request of \$5.5 million. However, NSERC requires a cash leverage of \$1 from industry and government partners for every \$3 from NSERC.

### **Maximum Project Value**

The anticipated budget for the 2016 Strategic Network Grants competition is expected to result in three (3) awards across the four target areas

## Indirect Costs

No indirect costs are required on the amount requested from NSERC; however, indirect costs may apply on amounts requested from partners.

## Project Duration

Five (5) years

## Special Notes

Highlights for the 2016 Strategic Partnership Grants for Networks (SPG?N) Competition

- Updated target areas are now in place. Check the descriptions prior to preparing your application.
- The anticipated budget for the 2016 SPG?N competition is expected to result in up to three new awards.
- The month for submitting preliminary applications has changed from previous years. The new deadline is April 1, 2016.
- Preliminary applications in Category B must follow the content restrictions stated below in the use of the extra five pages.
- Remember to include the mandatory element of an international engagement strategy.

## Deadlines

**If College-level review is required, your College will communicate its earlier internal deadlines.**

Type	Date	Notes
<b>Internal Deadline</b>	Friday, March 18, 2016 - 4:30pm	Please submit your preliminary Application/proposal, along with an OR-5 Form to <a href="mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca">research.services@uoguelph.ca</a> [1]
<b>External Deadline</b>	Friday, April 1, 2016 - 11:45pm	

## How to Apply

Please review the requirements for the submission of a [Preliminary Application](#) [2].

*Preliminary Applications* include:

- An Application for a Grant (Form 101; pages 1,2 and 3 only).
- Form 100 (for the applicant and theme leaders; maximum of 8 Forms 100).
- A description of the proposed Strategic Network (maximum 12 pages plus one page for references for Category A applicants; 16 pages plus one page for references for Category B applicants – Category B applicants must follow the content restrictions stipulated for the extra 5 pages).
- Letters of Support from each industrial and government partner
- International Collaborator Statements of Interest (maximum 5)

An Application for a Grant (Form 101, pages 1, 2 and 3) can be prepared using the On-line System, but two printed copies must be mailed, along with an unlocked electronic copy of the preliminary application saved into a single PDF document. Preliminary applications cannot be submitted online. All preliminary applications must follow the NSERC On-line Presentation and Attachment Standards. **NSERC must receive the preliminary application (paper submission only) by the deadline date at 4:00 p.m. (ET).**

For Questions, please contact

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### Source

**URL:** <https://www.uoguelph.ca/research/alerts/funding-opportunity/2016/nserc-strategic-partnership-grants-networks-%E2%80%93-new-target-areas>

### Links

[1] <mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca>

[2] [http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Professors-Professeurs/RPP-PP/SPG-SPS\\_eng.asp](http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Professors-Professeurs/RPP-PP/SPG-SPS_eng.asp)

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