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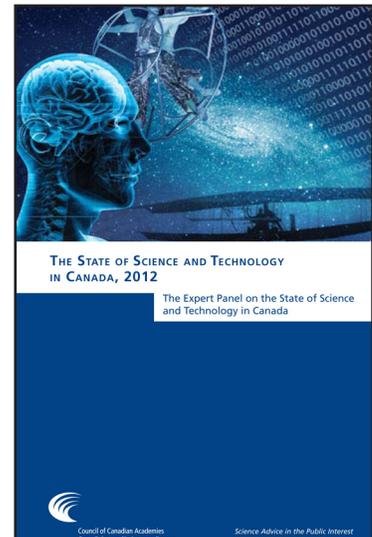
The State of Science and Technology in Canada

Fredericton, October 12, 2012 - The Council of Canadian Academies (CCA) recently released their report on the State of Science and Technology in Canada. This evidenced-based report is the product of an expert panel with representation from Europe, the United States and Canada. RPC's Executive Director, Eric Cook, was an invited panel member.

The effort incorporated multiple methodologies including bibliometrics and a survey of the authors of the top one percent of the most highly cited research papers in the world. Over 5000 leading international scientists ranked Canada's scientific enterprise fourth highest in the world after the United States, the United Kingdom and Germany. Canada produces 4.1 percent of all scientific papers with only 0.5 per cent of the world's population. The comprehensive report, available [here](#) concludes that Canada's science and technology is healthy and growing in both output and impact.

The report focused on higher education and government research. Cook was pleased to participate on the panel and not surprised that Canada is performing well. "Canada has invested in science and technology and the report highlights that this focus is producing good quality outputs." Cook has also been invited to serve on the expert panel studying the state of industrial research and development in Canada. This report, scheduled for release in 2013, will examine an area that complements RPC's mandate. "As New Brunswick's provincial research organization, our mandate is to facilitate industrial research and development so I am very pleased to participate on the panel."

To learn more about the Council of Canadian Academies, see:
<http://scienceadvice.ca/en.aspx>



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RPC is New Brunswick's provincial research organization (PRO), an independent contract research and development and technical services organization located in Fredericton, NB. RPC's complement of 98 scientists, engineers and technologists are supported by a 13,000 sq. meter facility housing world-class analytical chemistry and material-testing laboratories, comprehensive life science capabilities, an internationally recognized fish health lab, extensive prototype design, manufacturing and testing services, and a wide variety of pilot facilities for the development and improvement of industrial and environmental processes and products.

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