

2023 Major Science Initiatives Fund workshop

November 2 to 3, 2023 | Saskatoon, Saskatchewan University of Saskatchewan | Marquis Hall Events Centre, 97 Campus drive

Day 1: Thursday, November 2		
	Garry Room	Private Dining Room
7 – 8 a.m.	Breakfast and check-in	Ğ
8 – 8:30 a.m.	Opening Remarks Peter Stoicheff, President and Vice Chancellor, University of Saskatchewan Kari Harvey, CEO, Innovation Saskatchewan Roseann O'Reilly Runte, President and CEO, CFI	
8:30 – 9:30 a.m.	Panel 1: Diversifying and expanding the facility user base to optimize benefits for Canada Panelists: Monique Albert, Chief Operating Officer, Centre for Biodiversity Genomics (CBG) Jodi Cooley, Executive Director, SNOLAB Alexandre Forest, Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, Amundsen Science Moderator: Volker Gerdts, Director and CEO, Vaccine and Infectious Disease Organization (VIDO)	
9:30 – 10:30 a.m.	 Panel 2: Community outreach and engagement Panelists: Pauline Gerrard, Deputy Director, IISD Experimental Lakes Area (IISD-ELA) Georgina Lloyd, Assistant Deputy Minister, Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) Daniela Loock, Director, Corporate Service, Ocean Networks Canada (ONC) Moderator: Janet Dancey, Director, Canadian Cancer Trials Group Operations and Statistics Centre (CCTG) 	Discussion with the CFI Session 1: Defining, measuring and assessing the impact of research facilities Moderators: • Stéphane Mercure, Director of Performance, Analytics and Evaluation, CFI • Tomoka Takeuchi, Senior Evaluation Analyst, CFI
10:30 – 11:45 a.m.	Networking	Discussion with the CFI Session 2: A forum for finance professionals to discuss MSIF finance-related matters Moderators: • Dominique Brisebois, Director of Finance, CFI • Gabriela Manoiu, Senior Finance Analyst, CFI
11:45 – 12:45 p.m.	Panel 3: Keeping Canadian facilities at the global forefront as technology rapidly changes and new opportunities and challenges arise Panelists: Naveed Aziz, CEO, CGEn – Canada's national facility for genome sequencing and analysis François Légaré, Scientific Head, Advanced Laser Light Source (ALLS) Warren Wakarchuk, Scientific Director, GlycoNet Integrated Services Moderator: Mark Boland, Machine Director, Canadian Light Source Inc. (CLS)	
12:45 – 2 p.m.	Lunch	
2 – 5 p.m.	Facility visits (Departure from Marqu	is Hall Lobby)
5:30 – 6 p.m.	Reception	
6 – 8 p.m.	Dinner Keynote speaker: Nigel Smith, Executive Director and CEO, TRIUMF: Developing Canadian research facilities — lessons learnt and future directions	





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Day 2: Friday, November 3			
	Garry Room	Private Dining Room	
7 – 8 a.m.	Breakfast	Chairs breakfast and meeting (Board Chairs and CFI only) Moderators: • Janet Halliwell, Board Chair, Canadian Research Data Centre Network (CRDCN) • Pierre Lapointe, Board Chair, Canadian Light Source Inc. (CLS)	
8 – 8:15 a.m.	Opening remarks • Mark Lagacé, Director of Programs, CFI		
8:15 – 9:15 a.m.	Panel 4: Research facilities in a data-intensive and open-science world Panelists: • Suzanne Beth, Principal Coordinator, Coalition Publica • Natalie Harrower, Executive Director, Canadian Research Data Centre Network (CRDCN) • Kevin Krieger, Head Engineer, SuperDARN Canada Moderator: • Fred Whoriskey, Executive Director, Ocean Tracking Network (OTN)		
9:15 – 10 a.m.	Plenary: Reflections from Board Chairs meeting Moderators: Janet Halliwell, Board Chair, Canadian Research Data Centre Network (CRDCN) Pierre Lapointe, Board Chair, Canadian Light Source Inc. (CLS)		
10 – 10:30 a.m.	Break		
10:30 – 11:30 a.m.	Panel 5: International collaborations of research facilities Panelists: Girma Bitsuamlak, Director, Wind Engineering, Energy and Environment Research Facility (WindEEE) Inmaculada Figueroa, Vice Chair, European Strategy Forum for Research Infrastructures (ESFRI) Roland Roberts, Deputy Chief Officer for Research Facilities, U.S. National Science Foundation (NSF) Moderator: Roseann O'Reilly Runte, President and CEO, CFI		
11:30 a.m. – noon	Concluding messages and closing remarks Mohamad Nasser-Eddine, Vice President of Programs and Planning, CFI		
Noon	Meeting adjourned		

