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The NRC and Siemens Canada to address national priorities through strategic partnership

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The National Research Council of Canada (NRC) and Siemens Canada have joined forces through a strategic agreement to advance solution-oriented development and applications of technology in a number of key areas of national interest.

Through this relationship, the NRC and Siemens will also collaborate with Canada's industrial community, innovation system, and research community. The collaboration will result in more business opportunities to commercialize new products, processes and technology solutions. It will also help generate wealth and enhance the global competitiveness of Canadian industry.

Areas of focus identified in the agreement include climate change and low-carbon economy; energy efficiency; energy infrastructure; smart cities and urban technology; healthcare; creating and sustaining a globally competitive Canadian manufacturing sector; technology trends; training and education and communications.

"The NRC, through its 100-year history, is proud to deliver scientific innovation for Canada through collaborations with partners like Siemens," said Iain Stewart, President of the NRC. "We are looking forward to working with Siemens to address key priority areas in support of the Government's Innovation and Skills Plan and help build Canada as a world-leading innovation economy."

"Technological innovation and strong research partnerships are vital to addressing the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead for Canada," said Robert Hardt, Chair of Siemens Canada. "We're excited to be collaborating with the NRC to develop solutions that will support Canada's innovation economy and contribute the national climate change and sustainability strategy. "

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