



Management Response and Action Plan

A - For inclusion in the report

The findings and recommendations of the Evaluation of Genome Canada were provided to the Science Programs and Partnerships Branch of the Science and Research Sector at Innovation Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED), as well as to Genome Canada. Management has been consulted and agrees with the findings included in this report and will take action to address all applicable recommendations by June 2021.

B - For follow-up purposes - Detailed actions to address the recommendations in the report

Recommendation	Planned Action on the Recommendation	Responsible Official (Position)	Target Completion Date
ISED's Science and Research Sector should ensure Genome Canada coordinates with the Canada Foundation for Innovation to better align the operating funding they provide to the technology platforms, in order to minimize duplication of effort and focus Genome Canada's funding on the technology development and competitiveness of the platforms.	ISED SRS will support Genome Canada's examination of the rationale, coordination efforts and current allocation of federal funding for the technology platforms. SRS will further ensure Genome Canada and the Canada Foundation for Innovation collaborate and consider options to minimize any duplication. Consideration will be given to eligible expenses and opportunities for greater coordination as well as a re-examination of program parameters if warranted.	Director General, Science Programs and Partnerships	June 2021

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<p>To improve the efficiency of service delivery, ISED's Science and Research Sector will ensure Genome Canada:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Considers making project reporting requirements commensurate with the project funding level to limit the reporting burden on researchers; and • Develops systematic data gathering techniques and defines concepts related to knowledge translation to better measure the socio-economic impacts of funded projects, in collaboration with the Centres. 	<p>ISED SRS will ensure Genome Canada and the Centres:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review project reporting requirements and consider options to streamline reporting, taking into consideration the different project funding levels and the potential reporting burden for researchers. • Revisit and update Genome Canada's overall data strategy and collection methods, while taking into consideration constraints associated with working with independent Centres that also need to be accountable to other funders. Efforts will be made to establish more streamlined and refined concepts and indicators related to knowledge translation. This will allow for better reporting and assessment of the socioeconomic impacts of Genome Canada's funded projects. 	<p>Director General, Science Programs and Partnerships</p>	<p>March 2021</p> <p>June 2021</p>