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**Canada-Italy Innovation Award 2018  
Call for Proposals**

The Embassy of Canada to Italy is pleased to accept applications for the Canada-Italy Innovation Award 2018. This award provides funding to Italian innovation experts, researchers, scientists, and startappers to undertake a trip to Canada to develop collaborative projects.

The Canada-Italy Innovation Award aims to develop new and existing relationships between Canadian and Italian experts into long-term collaborations. Applications are open to Italian innovation experts, researchers, scientists, and startappers connected with Canadian counterparts, to be identified by applicants. Ideal outcomes include joint publications and research projects; student/researcher exchange programmes; sharing of equipment, materials and facilities; exchange of skills and techniques; institutional linkages; applied technology development; and technology transfer. The development of innovative models of collaboration is strongly encouraged. Initial outcomes should be delivered over the first 6 to 12 months following the visit and lead to the development of long-term relationships.

**Scope:**

The Embassy of Canada to Italy aims to support the development of strong, targeted relationships between leading individuals, researchers and institutions in Italy and their counterparts in Canada.

**Priority Areas:**

- Gender equality;
- An interconnected, evolving global landscape;
- Emerging technologies;
- Global peak population;
- New ways of learning.

**Funding Scope:**

Awards are to support the applicant's travel to Canada. The value of an award will be up to a maximum of €3,000 (EUR). Expenses that are eligible for reimbursement include economy class airfare (not premium economy), accommodation, local transportation and a €60 (EUR) per diem. No other costs will be considered.

**Eligibility and Funding Criteria:**

The Canada-Italy Innovation Award is available to Italian innovation experts, researchers, scientists, and startappers collaborating with Canadian partners. Private/public partnerships are encouraged.

Funding through the Canada-Italy Innovation Award is to support a short visit to Canada by the Italian awardee.

Successful applicants will be required to complete a report immediately following the visit and must commit to providing brief updates on follow-up activities and outcomes 6 and 12 months after the visit.

**Deadline for applications: 02/04/2018 (11:59 pm, Rome time)**