

Which are the links between Canada and Spain?



Canada and Spain enjoy a stable and growing trading relationship, which has recently began a new chapter with the entry into force of the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) at the end of 2017. This agreement addresses or eliminates barriers in virtually all sectors and aspects of Canada-Spain bilateral trade, increases jobs and promotes new commercial opportunities for Canadian and Spanish businesses.

The strength of the bilateral economic relationship lies in strong two-way investment and collaboration. The Canada's National Research Council (NRC) and the Spanish Centre for Advanced Scientific Research (CSIC) have an extensive history of collaboration in areas such as health sciences, renewable energies and environment. Joint research in marine biology also represents an example of a common priority in this bilateral cooperation.

Within the Horizon 2020 collaboration framework, Spain and Canada have now more than 50 collaboration links. Business technology cooperation is fundamentally governed under the international Eureka program, where organizations such as the NRC and the Spanish Centre for Industrial Technological Development (CDTI) are aligned to support market-oriented joint projects.

This bilateral agreement between Canada and Spain has been renewed in May 2019. It follows up from a collaborative relationship that has been active since 2005 and under which umbrella several innovation projects have been supported.

Canada and Spain also enjoy strong academic relations. Spanish students increasingly choose Canada as a destination for their studies and the multiple agreements between Canadian and Spanish universities attest to the excellent collaboration between the two academic communities. Thanks to the bilateral Youth Mobility Agreement, young Spaniards and Canadians have increasingly taken the opportunity to work and study in Canada and Spain respectively.

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