



# Aerospace Industries Association of Canada - Consultation 2022

## The Initiative

The Aerospace Industries Association of Canada is pleased to launch a series of nationwide consultations to determine a long-term vision, strategy and plan for a collaborative aerospace innovation network in Canada.

Have your say and help shape the future of Canadian aerospace innovation!

Join us as we develop a plan for a Pan-Canadian innovation network that will be responsive to the opportunities and needs of each region. With a plan and model in place, the industry will be well-positioned to strategically leverage investments, as is being done in other jurisdictions including France, the United Kingdom and Israel.

## The Consultations

AIAC is engaging with stakeholders from a broad cross-section of our industry through a series of consultations that are open to all those working in the industry – AIAC members and beyond.

The consultations, which have been organized by region, focus on key questions related to identifying the main barriers to innovation, the opportunities an ecosystem could create, and discovering the most powerful enablers of the sector's transformation.

## How to Get Involved

**This is YOUR plan** – we need your input as we define the next 50 years of Canadian aerospace innovation.

## Join a Consultation Session

Register now for one of the consultation sessions happening this April. Peter Hall, Chief Economist, Econosphere Inc., and former Chief Economist at Export Development Canada, will be moderating the conversations.

The sessions are scheduled as follows and participants can register [here](#):

Wed., April 13th	10 am – 12:30 pm EDT	Manitoba / Saskatchewan
Wed., April 13th	2 pm – 4:30 pm EDT	Small Businesses
Thurs., April 14th	10 am – 12:30 pm EDT	Ontario
Thurs., April 14th	2 pm – 4:30 pm EDT	British Columbia / Alberta
Tues., April 26th	10 am – 12:30 pm EDT	Atlantic Canada
Tues., April 26th	2 pm – 4:30 pm EDT	Open
Wed., April 27th	10 am – 12:30 pm EDT	Quebec (in both official languages)

## Why participate?

To plan for the right system and ensure it serves the distinct needs of our sector, **we need your help**.

We are looking for innovative ideas – bring your creative thinking to the table. Please spread the word among colleagues, members and industry stakeholder about these consultations, as we aim to develop a plan for a collaborative aerospace innovation network in Canada. We need your help creating the model that will define the next 50 years of innovation for Canada's aerospace industry.

AIAC is hosting consultations open to all those with a stake in the future of the industry – AIAC members and beyond.

Our Steering Committee and Working Groups for Consultation 2022 are industry-led, with some of the top industry leaders playing leadership roles.

## Shape the Future of Aerospace Innovation in Canada

Join our consultations and provide your input and feedback on these important questions:

- What are the main barriers you face today related to innovation and competitiveness?
- What opportunities would a cohesive, integrated aerospace ecosystem unlock — for recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic and growth beyond?
- Where are the biggest gaps right now when it comes to aerospace innovation in Canada?
- What are the biggest strengths to be leveraged? Where are the greatest opportunities?
- From your perspective, what would be the single most powerful enabler of the sector's transformation?

## **For More Information**

Visit Canada's Aerospace Ecosystem Consultation 2022 webpage: [Click here](#)

Want to stay connected and receive the latest updates? [Register here](#)

## **About AIAC**

For 60 years, the Aerospace Industries Association of Canada has worked with its members to develop what is today the ninth-largest national aerospace industry in the world. By collaborating with industry and with government to develop products, services, programs and policies that enhance Canadian aerospace companies, AIAC helps the industry to invest, innovate, and develop best-in-class capabilities in the civil, defence and space sectors. [Learn more about us here.](#)