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UPDATES to NSERC New Research Partnerships Program - Framework and Strategic Partnerships (SPG)

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Further to information shared with the community about NSERC's mandate to consolidate its Research Partnerships Programs, NSERC has updated its Framework for the new Partnerships Program. During the Fall, the Agency conducted consultations with stakeholders across the country – from academia and industry – and has endeavoured to incorporate community feedback, including user concerns and suggestions raised during these consultations.

The revised Framework has now been published and is available for review on the NSERC website at: http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/RPR-RPR/framework-documentcadre_eng.asp

Members of the research community are invited to review the new Framework and provide their feedback to NSERC. Individual stakeholders are welcome to reply to RPR@nserc-crsng.gc.ca until January 2, 2019. We would like to gauge responses from the U of T community and kindly request that a copy of your comments be sent to the Innovations & Partnerships Office via colin.swift@utoronto.ca.

Updates to the new program can be monitored on NSERC's website at [NSERC's New Partnership Program](#).

Status of NSERC's Strategic Partnership Grants for Networks (SPG-N) and Strategic Partnership for Projects (SPG-P) Programs

In anticipation of the new Partnerships Program, NSERC will no longer run the Strategic Partnership Grants for Networks (SPG-N) or the Strategic Partnership Grant for Projects (SPG-P) competitions. However, NSERC will continue the evaluation process for those who submitted full proposals to the SPG-N competition in July 2018. NSERC will also continue to fund all currently awarded SPG-N and SPG-P projects.

Those who had intended to apply to either the SPG-N or SPG-P program in 2019 are encouraged instead to apply to the new Partnership Program once NSERC finalizes and opens the new program for applications.

If you have any questions about your current SPG-P or SPG-N awards, please contact: Jessica Keating (for SPG-P) at Jessica.keating@utoronto.ca or (for SPG-N) the Partnerships team at IPO via innovations.partnerships@utoronto.ca