

Innovate to Grow

In today's economy, firms have to innovate if they want to remain competitive and grow. But innovation can be a risky business.

How May We Help You?

We provide timely customized services through a network of advisors located coast-to-coast.

Working in close collaboration with your firm, our advisors provide:

- Scientific and technical information and advice;
- A structured approach to technological innovation;
- Access to relevant technological expertise;
- Referrals to business, management and marketing services, and
- Limited cost-shared financial contributions.

Roadblocks most often faced by companies during product development projects:

- 62% declared cost overrun
- 51% declared difficulties in mastering technology internally

Institut de la statistique du Québec, 2003

Does Your Firm Qualify?

To be eligible, you need to:

- Be a Canadian incorporated, for profit, commercial entity;
- Have 500 or less employees, and
- Want to develop or improve a commercial product or process involving a sufficient degree of technical uncertainty.

Additional conditions apply for financial support.

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Claude Lessard
President, Delastek

Who Are We?

The National Research Council Industrial Research Assistance Program (NRC-IRAP) is the Government of Canada's premier innovation and technology assistance instrument to foster SMEs growth through technological innovation.

The NRC-IRAP has a long experience in helping Canadian businesses. Established over 50 years ago, we help each year some 12,000 firms with their development of innovative products or processes having a commercial potential.

Our Team

NRC-IRAP advisors maintain close relations with their clients, advise them on strategies for growth and success, and monitor their progress. They provide the support needed to increase the probability of success of their clients' technological innovation projects.

Our advisors have:

- Client focus approach;
- Industrial experience;
- An understanding of SME reality;
- Scientific and technical background;
- A long experience in R&D management; and
- Access to a wide network of relevant resources.

Contact Us

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