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The Council of Canadian Academies Releases
Paradox Lost: Explaining Canada's Research Strength and Innovation Weakness

For Immediate Release

Ottawa (October 1, 2013) – A new report, entitled *Paradox Lost: Explaining Canada's Research Strength and Innovation Weakness*, was released today by the Council of Canadian Academies at a breakfast event with the Economic Club of Canada.

Paradox Lost: Explaining Canada's Research Strength and Innovation Weakness draws upon the insights reported in seven expert assessments conducted by the Council since 2006. Each assessment examined various aspects of Canada's performance in science and technology, and innovation. *Paradox Lost* examines the complex ways in which research leads to innovation, and the factors that motivate Canadian business strategy. It also identifies four megatrends that will pose challenges for Canadian businesses in the years to come.

"The Council was pleased to initiate this review of its work," said Elizabeth Dowdeswell, President and CEO of the Council of Canadian Academies. "We hope *Paradox Lost* will provide valuable insight for policy- and decision-makers across Canada."

The report was led by a three-member expert advisory group composed of Marcel Côté, Founding Partner of SECOR Inc.; Bob Fessenden, Fellow of the Institute for Public Economics; and Peter Nicholson, former President of the Council of Canadian Academies.

For more information or to download a free copy of the report, visit the Council of Canadian Academies' website, www.scienceadvice.ca.

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