

Hochschulpolitische Informationsreise für Universitätsleitungen nach Kanada

14. - 20. März 2027

Programmmentwurf

ALLE ZEITANGABEN IN ORTSZEIT

Stand 29.09.2026

SONNTAG, 14. MÄRZ 2027	
MONTREAL	
10.00 – 14.00	Cultural Program and Lunch
By 16:00 local time	Delegation members arrive in Montreal: Hotel XXXX
Upon arrival	Hotel check in
16.00	Words of Welcome Dr. Kai Sicks, DAAD Secretary General Greetings and organizational notes Christian Strowa, Director, DAAD Regional Office New York Alema Ljumanovic-Hück, Director, iDA, DAAD Bonn Introductions and Briefings • Presentation on the current social and political situations in Canada, TBD • An introduction to the Canadian higher education and research systems, John Paul Kleiner, DAAD Toronto
19.00	Group dinner at hotel

MONTAG, 15. MÄRZ 2027	
MONTREAL	
8:30 – 9:00	Bus transfer to Polytechnique Montréal
9:00 – 10:00	Meeting with Polytechnique Montreal leaders (To be confirmed - TBC) Polytechnique Montréal is one of Canada's leading engineering education and research institutions, and the standard-bearer for engineering research in Quebec.
10:15 – 11:30	National Research Council – Aerospace Manufacturing Technologies Research Centre at Polytechnique Montréal (TBC) The aerospace industry is a key economic driver in Quebec with Montreal at its centre. This visit will introduce a research centre working in this key area along with the role of Canada's National Research Council.
11:30 – 12:00	Bus transfer to Mila - Quebec Artificial Intelligence Institute, 6666 Rue Saint-Urbain, Montréal, QC H2S 3H1
12:30 – 14:00	Working Lunch at Mila (TBC) with Mila – Quebec Artificial Intelligence Institute , a partnership between the <i>Université de Montréal</i> and <i>McGill University</i> , along with <i>École Polytechnique de Montréal</i> and <i>HEC Montréal</i> . It has a primary focus on machine learning research and IVADO , Canada's largest interdisciplinary consortium for research, training, and knowledge mobilization on AI, bringing together academics, government representatives and industry partners to ensure that AI makes a robust and responsible contribution to society.
14:00 – 14:30	Bus transfer to le Centre canadien d'études allemandes et européennes (CCÉAE), bureau 525, 3744, rue Jean-Brillant Montréal QC H3T 1P1
14:30 – 16:00	Meeting with representatives of le Centre canadien d'études allemandes et européennes (CCÉAE) at Université de Montréal (TBC) • Dr. Deborah Barton, Director, CCEAE / Associate Professor of History • Prof. Laurence Mcfalls, past-Director, CCEAE / Associate Professor of Political Science
16:00 – 16:30	Bus transfer to Université de Montréal
16:30-17:30	Networking meetings between delegation members and AVPs Research / Department Heads from Université de Montréal
17:30 – 19:30	Networking Reception Foyer, Main Building, Université de Montréal Representatives from Quebec universities, politics, research and industry
19:30 – 20:00	Bus transfer back to hotel

DIENSTAG, 16. MÄRZ 2027**MONTREAL**

9:00 – 9:30	Bus transfer to McGill University
9:30 – 10:30	Meeting with McGill University leaders James Administration Building 845 rue Sherbrooke Ouest Montreal, QC H3A 2T7
10:30 – 12:00	Tour of McGill research facilities
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch
13:00 – 13:30	Bus transfer to Institut national de la recherche scientifique (INRS) 385 R. Sherbrooke E, Montréal, QC H2X 1E3
13:30 – 16:30	Institut national de la recherche scientifique (INRS) - Centre Urbanisation Culture Société (CUCS) (TBC) INRS is a renowned research and graduate education institution in the province of Quebec. Its four campuses focus on strategic fields essential for the province's economic, social, and cultural development. Our group will visit INRS' campus focused on urbanization, culture and society. - Introduction to INRS, Philippe-Edwin Bélanger Directeur du Bureau de l'international - Tour of CUCS.
16:30 – 17:00	Bus transfer back to hotel
19:00	Group dinner Restaurant tbd

MITTWOCH, 17. MÄRZ 2027**TORONTO**

08:00	Check out from hotel, bus transfer to airport
09:45 – 11:15	Flight to Toronto
11:30 – 12:00	Bus transfer to Munk School
12:00 – 13:30	Working Lunch at Munk School with representatives of Centre for European and Eurasian Studies (CEES) and its Joint Initiative in German and European Studies (JIGES) , a program of cross-disciplinary support for research and scholarship funded by DAAD (TBC) • Prof. Ed Schatz, Director, CEES • Prof. Alex Reisenbichler, Research Coordinator, Joint Initiative in German and European Studies • Prof. Randall Hansen, past-Director, CEES and the Munk School <i>Munk School, 1 Devonshire Place Toronto ON M5S 3K7</i>

13:30 – 14:00	Break
14:00 – 16:00	Roundtable discussion on the Canadian Research Security model (TBC) with • Paul Jarrett, Director, Research Security, University of Toronto • Representatives of federal and Ontario research security authorities <i>Munk School, 1 Devonshire Place Toronto ON M5S 3K7</i>
16:00 – 16:15	Walk to hotel, check in
18:00 – 20:00	Networking Reception Duke of York Pub Representatives from regional universities, research and industry
DONNERSTAG, 18. MÄRZ 2027	
TORONTO	
9:00	Walk from hotel to U of T
9:30 – 10:30	Meeting with University of Toronto leaders <i>27 King's College Circle, Room 206 Toronto, ON M5S 1A1</i>
10:30 – 12:00	Visit of Centre for Quantum Information and Quantum Control (CQIQC), University of Toronto (TBC), the U of T office promoting research collaborations in the interdisciplinary fields of quantum information and quantum control. CQIQC's activities encompass the Departments of Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, Computer Science, Electrical Engineering, and Materials Science.
12:00 – 12:30	Walk or subway to MaRS Discovery District <i>101 College Street, Toronto, ON M5G 1L7</i>
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch at MaRS Discovery District
13:30 – 15:00	Introduction to and tour of MaRS Discovery District (TBC), Canada's anchor innovation hub which brings together science, technology and entrepreneurship to solve the world's toughest challenges. MaRS provides startups and scale-ups with commercialization support, connections to capital, customers and talent, as well as access to an expansive community of advisors, researchers and partners.
15:30 – 17:00	Visit to Mitacs (TBC), an organization that fosters collaboration between academia and industry in Canada; Mitacs is a DAAD partner and a key player in Canada's innovation ecosystem. <i>108 College St, Toronto, ON M5S 1B4</i>
17:00	Return to hotel by subway or free time
FREITAG, 19. MÄRZ 2027	
TORONTO	
9:00	Subway transfer to Toronto Metropolitan University
9:30 – 10:30	Meeting with Toronto Metropolitan University leaders
10:30 – 12:30	Introduction to TMU's Zone Learning Network and visit to DMZ Start Up Zone , TMU's Zone Learning Network offers students courses, job placements and training

	programs to bridge the gap between the university, industry and community. These work together with its highly-awarded startup incubator, DMZ Start Up Zone as part of TMU's efforts to cement its reputation as one of Canada's leading innovation universities. <i>44 Gerrard Street East, Toronto, Ontario M5B 1G3</i>
12:30 – 14:00	Networking Lunch at Toronto Metropolitan University with: - AVP International Corey Searcy - Sara Berman Executive Director, Global Engagement and Partnerships - Marisa Gray Manager, Global Learning and Engagement
14:00 – 17:30	Culture Program
19:00	Debriefing and Farewell Dinner
SAMSTAG, 20. MÄRZ 2027	
TORONTO	
10:00	Guided Tour: Royal Ontario Museum