

Defense and Security

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Advancing Global Security One Application at a Time

With its highly skilled workforce, its dynamic research-and-development infrastructure and its wide array of related businesses and industries, Ottawa has become a leader in the development of innovative defense and security-related applications.

Outstanding Knowledge and Expertise

Offering a dynamic cluster of related industries that has evolved over the past five decades, Ottawa provides an environment for your business that boasts an extensive network of security and defense enterprises including such notable companies as Lockheed-Martin, General Dynamics, Med-Eng Systems Inc. and Entrust.

Ottawa's abundance of top research and development talent as well as innovative commercialization strategies make it an ideal location for defense and security firms. Ottawa is a world-class center of excellence and innovative product development. As home of Canada's Department of National Defense, RCMP and Canadian Security Intelligence Agency, Ottawa's resources are unmatched.

Richard L'Abbe
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Extraordinary Talent

With four universities, four colleges and numerous professional and business schools, Ottawa has gained a reputation as a leading developer of talent. And because Ottawa is the focal point of research and development excellence in Canada — currently, 75 percent of all Canadian telecommunications research and development takes place here — Ottawa is able to attract and retain some of the best minds in the world. In fact, Ottawa is home to the highest concentration of PhDs and engineers in Canada.

World-calibre Research and Development

Its decades-long tradition of research and development in the defense and security sectors began more than 50 years ago when General Dynamics Canada (formerly Computing Devices Canada) brought a military positioning and homing device to market. Since then, government and industry along with Ottawa's many institutes of higher learning — and their requisite research labs — have worked together in a cooperative and coordinated manner to actively support ongoing research, development and manufacturing.



With the strength of the G7 community behind it and a well-established network of experienced companies and organizations supporting it, Ottawa provides businesses locating here with access to a valuable security and defense community that has proven its worth.

Products, services and areas of expertise already developed or established in Ottawa include, but are not limited to:

- physical security for buildings;
- biometric devices for personnel identification;
- access control devices;
- IT security systems;
- Internet/network security systems;
- communications security;
- secure banking solutions;

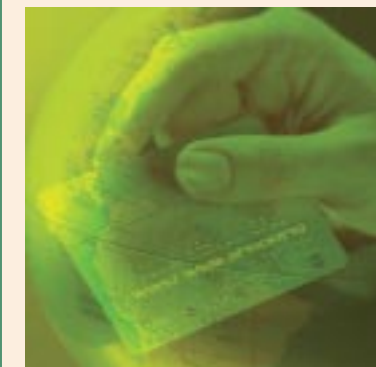
- encryption systems (PKI);
- bomb disposal;
- electronic warfare technologies;
- navigation systems; and
- real-time software applications for defense purposes.

A Place to Call Home

From the historic ByWard Market to the vibrant downtown core, Ottawa offers a world-class business setting in a culturally rich environment.

Galleries, museums, shops and award-winning restaurants combine with beautiful beaches, parks and bike paths to offer a truly unique and varied urban lifestyle, one that offers something for everyone. And at the heart of it all, the Rideau Canal, an attraction that in the winter, becomes the world's longest skating rink.

Ottawa. An exciting place to live. A safe place to call home. An ideal place to do business.



The presence of National Defense Headquarters, supported by a unique infrastructure of government and private sector R & D organizations is a strategic advantage to our defense industry. The area represents a rich cluster of talent, experience and technical expertise.

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