



Chemical Institute of Canada | **For Our Future**
Institut de chimie du Canada | **Pour notre avenir**

Vision and Mission

of the Chemical Institute of Canada

VISION: Chemistry is central to the well-being of society.

Our vision statement, though simple, transmits a depth of understanding of the chemical sciences and engineering, and of society as a whole. Each word holds significant meaning:

Chemistry: This word includes both the science and the people — the professionals using chemistry will be recognized as benefiting every facet of life.

Central: Chemistry is the central science. Chemistry bridges biology, physics, geology and other scientific disciplines as many scientists now work at the molecular level. From organic chemistry to the pursuit of life-saving pharmaceuticals to molecular medicine, chemistry is the fundamental science of life.

Well-being: New technologies and the comfortable lifestyle enjoyed by many Canadians are provided through the applications of chemistry. Sustainable improvement will only be achieved through public appreciation of the importance and positive aspects of science and chemistry in everyday life. Knowledge and understanding are key to avoiding harm and to benefiting from the appropriate use of all chemicals.

Society: Interdisciplinary arts and science professionals, and society at large, will recognize the value of chemistry. CIC members are a key part of society and must be involved. Through outreach and professional engagement, the public appreciates how chemistry and the CIC are a positive part of our society.

MISSION: Advance the principles and practices of the chemical sciences for the betterment of society.

The betterment of society covers three pillars: (1) Environment; (2) Health and Safety; and (3) Economy and Energy.

To achieve both its vision and mission, the CIC will:

- Assist the profession to remain current with technology;
- Encourage the development of the chemical enterprise;
- Participate in the development and education of the chemical sciences and engineering profession;
- Take proactive public positions on issues related to chemical sciences and engineering;
- Communicate informed science to the public.

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