

FRINS MINISTER PREMIER MINISTER

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Dear Professor Behrends:

I am delighted to extend my personal congratulations to you on having been awarded a Canada Research Chair.

The Canada Research Chairs Program promotes leading-edge research and innovation in universities and provides exciting opportunities for Canadian researchers. As a Canada Research Chairs recipient, you have earned a very special recognition that places you in the finest tradition of Canadian research excellence. This recognition is particularly remarkable in that it comes from your peers and recognizes your innovation and leadership.

The Government of Canada is proud to acknowledge the outstanding contribution you have made to advancing knowledge and assuring a bright future for Canada. Your pursuit of excellence in your field, along with the efforts of the Canadian research community, is helping to lay the foundation for a strong, prosperous Canada as we begin the 21st century. Indeed, all Canadians can take pride in your accomplishments.

Once again, please accept my warmest congratulations on your outstanding achievement. I wish you the greatest success in your research.

Yours sincerely,

Professor Soenke Behrends