



ABCC Program ~ Future Directions ~

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The Context of ABCC

“The collaborative ABCC Program, built on existing bilateral ties and earth observation capacities, will benefit from the four partners’ vast geographic extent and ranges of climate and biodiversity. The ABCC countries span both north-south and east-west hemispheres, and include a wide range of socio-economic conditions.”

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Going Forward: Canada & ABCC



- **Continuity**: Pursue our on-going National land cover and thematic mapping projects
- **Leverage**: Work with China, Brazil and Australia within the vehicle of ABCC to extend our work's reach, relevance & impact
- **Engagement**: Explore scientific exchanges, joint research efforts and opportunities for technology transfer
- **Impact**: Increase our contribution to global change science



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On-Going Canadian Projects

- **National Land Cover and land cover change in Canada - *Rasim Latifovic and Darren Pouliot***
- **Snow Cover Mapping in Canada - *Richard Fernandez and Brian Brisco***
- **Canada's Glaciers - *Mike Demuth & Alex Chichagov***



Future Directions

select themes for evaluation then compare within a country, between countries, and then globally for a TBD time series

- land cover (all)
- snow & glaciers (Canada, China)
- disasters (Brazil, China)
- GBR (Australia)