

## Strategy One

Grow and develop a new generation of businesses and entrepreneurs that commercialize nanotechnology solutions

**Collaborate with industry** to determine effective approaches to develop nanotechnology applications in identified priority sectors: energy and environment; health and medical technologies; agriculture and forestry.

**Create an Industrial Applied Research Partnership Program** to fund nanotechnology research initiatives jointly with industry.

**Establish programs** to engage students from technical institutions in technology development with NINT and universities.

**Create a Nano Entrepreneur Program** to mentor and train nanotechnology experts in business principles, help inform business people interested in nanotechnology ventures, and to advise them on the market potential and opportunities for their new nanotechnology products and processes.

**Build a Nano Entrepreneurs Club** that would bring together innovators and investors to build partnerships, share experiences and identify gaps in the Alberta system.

**Establish an annual Alberta Nano Venture Prize** to be awarded to a start-up company with a solid business case, and a demonstrated nano related technology focused on Alberta's priorities that would be prototyped and manufactured in Alberta facilities.

