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SEDS-ÉEDS (SEDS-Canada) has partnered with Zenith Canada Pathways Foundation

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Toronto, ON: Students for the Exploration and Development of Space (SEDS-Canada) and Zenith Canada Pathways have formed a partnership to provide more opportunities to early career professionals and sustain highly-qualified students in Canada's space industry.

With the goal to retain highly-qualified personnel in Canada's aerospace industry, the Zenith Canada Pathways Foundation has been established to deliver the inaugural Zenith Fellowship Program. A bespoke mentorship and professional training program, the Zenith Fellowship aims to connect young professionals to jobs and senior-level mentors in the Canadian space sector. The success of US-based programs, such as the Brooke Owens Fellowship and the Matthew Isakowitz Fellowship, inspired the Foundation to create a program supporting sustainable growth of space talent right here in Canada.

The Foundation is currently seeking prospective host organizations and strategic partners interested in engaging with the Zenith Fellowship to facilitate equitable, diverse and inclusive Work-Integrated-Learning (WIL) opportunities Canada-wide. Applications for the Zenith Fellowship are slated to open later this year, with a first class of Fellows announced in early 2022.

The strategic partnership between SEDS-Canada and SEDS-Canada and Zenith Canada Pathways Foundation will allow students and early-career professionals to benefit from programming offered to help them establish and pursue careers in the industry in Canada.

"SEDS-Canada is a national proponent for the Canadian student body involved with the space industry. We are committed to empowering students and early career professionals in order to provide them with the appropriate resources and experience to better transition into the Canadian space sector. With our newfound partnership with Zenith Canada Pathways Foundation, we are excited to co-build this system of support and infrastructure between industry and highly-qualified students - Chimira Andres (she/her), President, SEDS-Canada"

"Early-career aerospace professionals in Canada struggle to find opportunities to either discover new skills or kick start their career. SEDS-Canada and Zenith Canada Pathways Foundation are both committed to supporting and sustaining highly-qualified students and young professionals in Canada's aerospace industry" - Tahir Merali (he/him) and Hira Nadeem (she/her), Co-Founders & Directors, Zenith Canada Pathways Foundation.

About Zenith Canada Pathways Foundation

The Zenith Canada Pathways Foundation aims to create a national merit-based professional training and career development program designed to bridge knowledge and experience gaps between post-secondary students and early professional experience. This will be achieved through work-integrated learning opportunities and an impact-driven community of industry mentors and advisors to collectively support and sustain a highly-qualified and diverse Canadian aerospace workforce. Zenith Canada Pathways Foundation is a registered Canadian Not-For-Profit organization. www.zenithpathways.ca



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About SEDS-Canada

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