

# Video Opinion: Canada's Coronavirus Response – Genome Canada CEO on Canada's COVID-19 Actions and Way Forward

*Video Opinion Piece w/ Dr Rob Annan, President of Genome Canada outlining his opinions on Canada's Coronavirus/COVID19 research priorities and key actions.*

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[TheFutureEconomy.ca](http://TheFutureEconomy.ca) has published a [video interview](#) with expert Dr. Rob Annan on how the Canadian research ecosystem is responding to the coronavirus / COVID-19 pandemic.

## TOPICS COVERED:

The 18-minute video interview answers the concerns of Canadians, including:

- Canada's ability to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, and our health and research priorities
- Initial research projects being funded in Canada's research ecosystem
- Treatment and cure development for COVID-19
- Key actions to be taken by stakeholders in the research ecosystem
- Lessons learned for the next pandemic (yes, he absolutely believes there will be a next one)
- The crisis' silver lining



Community-driven responses led by researchers who are open with their results are going to be key to helping us find the quickest way to solve this crisis."

*Dr. Rob Annan - President & CEO of Genome Canada*



Video Interview: Genome Canada CEO Rob Annan on Coronavirus COVID19

DR. ROB ANNAN is a Fellow of the Public Policy Forum and holds a PhD in Biochemistry from McGill University.

GENOME CANADA is a not-for-profit organization funded by the Canadian government that develops and applies genomics and genomic-based technologies to benefit Canadians. It is one of the recipients of the recent \$27M worth of funding from the Federal Government for a genomics-based project that was selected through the

Canadian Novel Coronavirus Rapid Research Funding Opportunity.

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- The Honourable Mary Ng, Minister of Small Business, Export Promotion and International

Trade

-Todd Winterhalt, Senior Vice-President, Communications and Corporate Strategy at EDC

-Tabatha Bull, President & CEO of the Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business

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