

## Report on Annual Expenditures for Travel, Hospitality and Conferences for 2025-26

This report provides information on the annual expenditures for travel, hospitality, and conference fees for Atomic Energy of Canada (AECL) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2026. Expenditures on travel, hospitality and conference fees are related to activities as per AECL’s mandate and the government’s priorities.

AECL is a federal Crown corporation responsible for enabling nuclear science and technology and protecting the environment by managing the Government of Canada's radioactive waste and decommissioning responsibilities. We deliver our mandate through a Government-owned, Contractor-operated model whereby [Canadian Nuclear Laboratories](#), a private-sector company, operates and manages our sites on our behalf.

AECL’s role under the Government-owned, Contractor-operated model is to set priorities, assess the contractor’s performance and bring value for Canada. AECL also advises the government of Canada on policy issues related to its mandate.

### 2025-26 Annual Expenditures for Travel, Hospitality, and Conferences

Expenditure Category	Expenditures for the Year Ending March 31, 2026	Expenditures for the Year Ending March 31, 2025
Operational Activities	\$255,659	\$328,722
Key Stakeholders	\$226,813	\$312,441
Internal Governance	\$40,326	\$73,748
Training	\$277,599	\$301,309
Other	\$123	\$69
<b>Total Travel</b>	<b>\$800,520</b>	<b>\$1,016,289</b>
Hospitality	\$44,173	\$56,096
Conference & Course Fees	\$86,531	\$133,318
<b>Total Travel, Hospitality and Conferences</b>	<b>\$931,224</b>	<b>\$1,205,703</b>
<b>International travel for Board members (included in Total Travel above)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

Travel, hospitality and conference expenses for 2025-26 were in support of AECL’s mandate and role, including travel to AECL sites in Canada and building collaborative relationships with government, industry and academia, including foreign governments and international organizations, to leverage best practices in nuclear science and technology, environmental remediation, nuclear decommissioning, radioactive waste management, and management under a Government-owned, Contractor-operated model. AECL staff also represented Canada at international forums, for example at the International



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Atomic Energy Agency, an intergovernmental forum for scientific and technical cooperation in the nuclear field.

Travel, hospitality, and conference expenses for 2025-26 were lower than in 2024-25, largely due to the conclusion of several onetime initiatives in the prior year, including workshops related to the Federal Nuclear Science and Technology Work Plan, Government-owned Contractor-operated procurement activities, and AECL's leadership role during Canada's feature year at the Waste Management Symposia.