

Winner: Robert Davidson

This award is named for Walter Hitschfeld, a founding member of CARA, in recognition of his dedicated and outstanding contribution to the organization. This award is presented to an individual who has demonstrated an exceptional impact on the enhancement of the research management setting in Canada. Award holders are granted Honorary Lifetime Membership in CARA.

This year CARA is pleased to present the Walter Hitschfeld Award to Robert Davidson. During his impressive 30-year career, Robert has demonstrated a constant commitment to innovation and to the advancement of the research agenda, with significant impact on research institutions and policies in Canada and beyond. Through his various positions in higher education institutions and at the Canada Foundation for Innovation, Robert has played a crucial role in the innovative design and implementation of effective policies, while providing key leadership and strategic advice in the development of Canada's research landscape.

Robert's extensive career highlights his impressive depth and breadth of knowledge in research management. We are grateful to Robert for his remarkable and many contributions to the evolution of the research environment in Canada.

Nominated by: Florence Dzierszynski