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Rob Annan has more than a decade of success leading research and innovation organizations. As President and CEO of Genome Canada, he combines a background in genomics research with deep knowledge of science and innovation policy and a proven track record in corporate strategy. Rob is committed to translating ideas into impact. A strong believer that science and innovation—when equitably applied—can make life better, he works with researchers, policy leaders and industry across Canada and internationally to help realize the economic, environmental, and social benefits of genomics.

Rob has been involved in Canadian science policy in numerous capacities, including through executive leadership at Mitacs where he served as Chief Research Officer. Rob has also served as a fellow of the Public Policy Forum as well as a Director of Let's Talk Science.

Rob has a Ph.D. in biochemistry from McGill University and two undergraduate degrees: one in English from Queen's University and another in biology from the University of Victoria.

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