Press Conference: An Urgent Need to Support Graduate Students and Postdoctoral Scholars in Budget 2024

Purpose:
Express the urgent need for increased funding for graduate students and postdoctoral scholars in Budget 2024, through increases to scholarships, fellowships and grants, and to acknowledge the support and leadership of the SRSR committee in recommending increased funding for training and research.

Location & Time:
3938, Wellington Street, West Block, foyer in front of chamber (Ontario)
Date and time: Tuesday, March 19th, 9:30 a.m.

Agenda:
Note: Each speaker will have a maximum of 2 min to give remarks

Union étudiante du Québec (Catherine Bibeau-Lorrain, présidente, UEQ) - opening remarks

Support Our Science (Kaitlin Kharas, Executive Director, SOS)

Canadian Association of Postdoctoral Scholars (Dr. Henrietta Bennett, Chair, CAPS)

Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (Matthew Gerrits, Government Relations Officer, CASA)

Ottawa Science Policy Network (Thomas Bailey, co-president, OSPN)

Mr. Richard Cannings (Member of Parliament, NDP)

Mr. Maxime Blanchette-Joncas (Member of Parliament, Bloc Québécois)

Mr. Ryan Turnbull (Member of Parliament and Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of ISED, Liberal) and The Honourable Lena Diab (Member of Parliament, Liberal)

Closing remarks by Support Our Science’s Kaitlin Kharas

Questions from the press