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To: Presidents and Administrative Officers
Local and Federated Associations

From: David Robinson, Executive Director

Re: **Survey for Post-Secondary Faculty and Researchers**

Please help us spread the word to members about an important survey in the field until December 6th, 2019. The survey will provide an overview of career experiences and barriers to career advancement for academic staff working at Canadian universities, colleges and polytechnics. CAUT, the Tri-Council granting agencies, the Department of Innovation, Science and Economic Development (ISED), Statistics Canada, and other post-secondary education sector stakeholders jointly sponsor this survey. The survey will provide invaluable information on barriers facing researchers and academic staff, helping inform policy and practice to improve equity, diversity and inclusion in research.

Many of your members will likely have received at their home address a personalized invitation to fill in the survey. This survey has been sent to regular and contract academic staff, as well as doctoral and post-doctoral students. Please share information about this initiative with your members and encourage them to fill out this survey if they have received an invitation from Statistics Canada. This is a once in a generation statistical snapshot of our sector and will be used to inform policy initiatives and fill in some long-standing data gaps.

More information about the survey can be found online here:
<https://www.statcan.gc.ca/eng/survey/household/5299>

You may also wish to amplify Statistics Canada's social media efforts around this initiative, including tweets like this one: https://twitter.com/StatCan_eng/status/1191392316440887297

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