Partnering with the best

The University of Alberta has signed a Memorandum of Agreement with the Netherlands’ Wageningen University (WU), ranked the best agricultural university in the world, according to the National Taiwan University ranking and also by the QS World University Rankings.

The ALES Centennial Dutch Endowment is enthusiastically supported by the Ambassador of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to Canada, the Dutch Honorary Consuls from both Southern and Northern Alberta, and the Agricultural Affairs Advisor of the Embassy of the Kingdom of Netherlands in the U.S.

THE NETHERLANDS–ALBERTA CONNECTION

The Dutch have made very significant contributions to Alberta, beginning in the early 1900s when they played a pivotal role in building the province’s agriculture industry. The ALES Centennial Dutch Endowment provides an opportunity to support Alberta in taking the next step in enhancing its agricultural industries.

Alberta’s opportunity

Alberta has a robust extensive agricultural base, while the Netherlands has developed a highly productive intensive agricultural industry through the collaborative efforts of several sectors of their economy: agriculture, energy, educators and government.

With its educated workforce, agricultural history, abundant farm land and entrepreneurial spirit, Alberta has an extraordinary opportunity to dramatically increase its agricultural output, both at the primary producer level and at the value-added level. Examining intensive agricultural practices from the world’s second biggest agricultural exporter will help our province fulfill its potential and become an agricultural powerhouse, with an enhanced ability to produce and add value to agricultural products.

Once our students have gained this knowledge, they will return to Alberta and work towards increasing the productivity, sustainability and profitability of our agricultural industry.

Support the ALES Centennial Dutch Endowment and help future leaders of Alberta agriculture by providing them with an opportunity to access international education at the higher learning institutions and industry in the Netherlands!

Creating a stronger Alberta agricultural industry
The Centennial Dutch Endowment was established to commemorate the relationship between Canada and the Netherlands, mark the 70th anniversary of liberation of the Netherlands and the Centennial of the Faculty of ALES.

The endowment helps ALES students study, research and work with universities and organizations in the Netherlands to learn the leading-edge agricultural practices that have made that country the world’s second leading agricultural exporter.

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