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Carmen has been involved in supporting research, research training and innovation in Canada for more than 20 years. She joined the Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) when it was first created in 1997, building on her experience at NSERC, where she had managed various research funding programs between 1983 and 1997. Before 1983, she worked as a researcher, at the Canadian Conservation Institute.

As CFI's senior vice-president until September 2006, Carmen designed and implemented strategies, policies and programs for a \$3.65-billion investment in research infrastructure in institutions across the country. Carmen also did a brief stint as executive director of external relations and innovation for the Science and Innovation Sector at Industry Canada before coming to SSHRC.

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