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Bernadette Conant is the Chief Executive Officer of Canadian Water Network (CWN), where she has been working with an exceptional team of individuals to improve the connection of research to application in the water sector since 2003. CWN plays a vital role in ensuring that Canada benefits from its investments in research to manage its water resources more effectively and becomes a world leader in water management.

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