

Urban Aboriginal Economic Development

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Welcome

We are pleased to present the Winter 2009 edition of the Urban Aboriginal Economic Development National Network newsletter. We hope that this quarterly newsletter will help to keep you informed about network activities and opportunities. If you have any comments on how we can improve the newsletter or any news that you would like us to include in our next issue, feel free to contact the coordinator at sshrc@bcgroup.net.

About the National Network:

The Urban Aboriginal Economic Development National Network is an open and inclusive multi-stakeholder network of researchers and practitioners working in urban Aboriginal and Métis communities. This includes organizations, universities, federal/ provincial/ municipal and Aboriginal governments, private industry, community groups, and NGO's. The network's focus is on mobilizing economic development knowledge and strengthening organizational capacity.

Network News:

Advisory Circle Formed

We have an impressive line-up of volunteers serving on the Advisory Circle, with a good balance of practitioners, scholars, and policy people.

<http://abdc.bc.ca/uaed/background-info/advisory-circle/>

Ottawa Gathering Harvest

The notes from the two-day gathering in Ottawa are now on the website. Check it out in PDF form here: <http://abdc.bc.ca/uploads/Ottawa%20Gathering%20Harvest.pdf>

Gayle Broad of Algoma University College has received research funding from the network. The funding will go towards a research assistant this winter semester. Congratulations Gayle! A second call will take place this Spring.

Learning Circle News:

Needs:

News:

Four Learning Circles are in the process of being formed:

- Prince George
- Province of Saskatchewan
- Vancouver area
- Sault Ste. Marie

The network is planning to run a "Learning Circle of Learning Circles" on March 9th in Ottawa.

How to Get Involved:

Please contact John McBride at john.mcbride@sfu.ca for more information about Learning Circles.



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Information: Conferences, Publications and Practices

Conferences:

There are four upcoming conferences that may be of interest to people in the network:

- Aboriginal Policy Research Conference
- Inter-Nation Trade and Economic Summit
- Full Circle: Sharing a Vision for the 7th Generation
- Gathering for Success: Sharing Indigenous Economic Development Practices

Aboriginal Policy Research Conference

Date: March 9th – 12th, 2009

Place: Westin Hotel, Ottawa, Ontario

Website: <http://www.aprc-crmpa.ca/welcome.htm>

INAC, the UWO and the NAFC have joined forces to bring together researchers, students, policy makers, Aboriginal leaders and other interested parties nationally and internationally to present, consider and debate exciting new research. The goal is to provide Aboriginal leaders and policy makers a chance to become aware of the implications of this research for both public policy and Aboriginal peoples across Canada.

Greg Halseth, Ray Gerow and Charles Horn will represent the network at this conference. Click here to see their APRC Submission:

<http://abdc.bc.ca/uploads/APRC%20submission%20-%20UAED%20Network.pdf>

Inter-Nation Trade and Economic Summit

Date: March 9th – 11th, 2009

Place: Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Toronto, Ontario

Website: [http://abdc.bc.ca/uploads/INTES%20\(2\).pdf](http://abdc.bc.ca/uploads/INTES%20(2).pdf)

The Assembly of First Nations invites you to workshops and presentations on the topics of: Inter-Nation Trade and Economic Issues, Economic Partnerships and the Federal Government, A Shared Economic Blueprint, Resource Revenue Options, Sustainability and Economic Involvement, Labour Force Development, and Connectivity. There will be compelling keynote speakers, networking receptions, a trade fair and a gala evening.

Full Circle: Sharing a Vision for the 7th Generation

Date: June 3rd - 6th, 2009

Place: University of Winnipeg, Winnipeg, Manitoba

Website: <http://www.ccednet-rcdec.ca/?q=en/node/5521>

The 2009 National CED Conference Committee is accepting 'Expressions of Interest' for presenters and presentations. Concurrent workshops are scheduled for June 4 & 5. These workshops should represent a range of CED streams and lenses that reflect our member priorities and provide topics of interest to all participants. This year, a key theme will be Indigenous Models of CED.

Plan to join more than 400 community economic development workers, volunteers, professionals and supporters from across Canada to explore ideas and share insights on community economic development activities and policies.

Charles Horn will represent the network at the conference.

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Conferences Continued:

Gathering for Success: Sharing Indigenous Economic Development Practices

Date: June 28th – 30th

Place: Fairmont Banff Springs Conference Centre, Banff, Alberta

Website: <http://www.aboriginal.alberta.ca/518.cfm>

The Government of Alberta, through the Ministry of Aboriginal Relations, is pleased to present Gathering for Success, a three-day international symposium sharing Indigenous economic development practices. Join over 500 delegates to hear world-class speakers and international leaders sharing insights and successful practices in Indigenous economic and community development from around the world. Who should attend? The conference will benefit anyone working to improve socio-economic outcomes for Indigenous people. It's ideal for Aboriginal leaders, economic development organizations, policy makers, community planners, educators, program developers and others who want practical examples, expert advice and first-hand, relevant information.

Ray Gerow and John McBride will represent the network. Click here to see their abstract: <http://abdc.bc.ca/uploads/Gathering%20for%20Success%20-%20Abstract.pdf>

Publications:

Seeking Common Ground: A Compendium of Recommendations for Early Community Engagement in Mining

Barazzuol, Chiara; Cimon, Yan; Kielburger, Craig; Matthew, Cheryl; Mayrand, Karel (2009 - Forthcoming), "Seeking Common Ground: A Compendium of recommendations for Early Community Engagement in Mining", Université Laval, Faculty of Business Administration Working Paper no. 2009-xxx, 19p.

http://abdc.bc.ca/uploads/file/SCG_Report_Final.pdf

Practices:

Community, Culture, and Global Studies

Post Doctoral Fellow – History of Métis in BC

<http://abdc.bc.ca/uaed/networking/practices/>

UBC Okanagan's Community, Culture and Global Studies Unit is currently seeking to fill a full time Post Doctoral position focused on the history of Métis in BC. The successful candidate will join an existing team of researchers working in a public history context, in association with the Métis Nation of British Columbia.

For more information regarding the position contact mike.evans@sfu.ca

Story to Share:

In future issues of the newsletter, this section will be an interactive space for Network participants. Participants will have the opportunity to share a story with the rest of the network.

If you would like to submit a story to be included in the next newsletter, please email the coordinator at sshrc@bcgroup.net

We are now on the web! Check out the website at: <http://abdc.bc.ca/uaed/>