



INDIGENOUS WORKS AND CO-HOSTS, THE NATIONAL ABORIGINAL CAPITAL CORPORATIONS ASSOCIATION (NACCA) AND THE COUNCIL FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF NATIVE DEVELOPMENT OFFICERS (CANDO) ARE PLEASED TO EXTEND THIS INVITATION TO YOU!

RSVP by March 31, 2019

DINNER AND DISCUSSION FORUM - APRIL 16-17, 2019

Sheraton Gateway Hotel in Toronto International Airport, Terminal 3, Toronto, ON

April 16 - Reception and Dinner - 5:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Forum - 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Creating Successful Indigenous Engagements and Partnerships with Businesses and Sectors

This Discussion Forum will provide information, invite dialogue and explore strategies by which businesses and industries can be encouraged to develop successful engagements and partnerships with Indigenous people and communities. The purpose of the dialogue is to explore ways to create the relationships and conditions needed for successful Indigenous employment and workforce development, business and social development. Join us along with 100 other invited guests from the retail, technology and manufacturing sectors as we share information and exchange ideas and strategies to work together.

Discussion Themes

For Industry

- A Primer on Indigenous people, who they are, how they are organized and what they have to offer businesses in the retail, manufacturing and technology sectors;
- Working with Indigenous people, businesses and communities. - New Engagement Practices;
- About the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and why it is important to your business and industry.

For Indigenous People

- Emerging trends in the retail, manufacturing and technology sectors - employment and workforce trends, business trends, future of the retail, technology and manufacturing sectors - Issues and opportunities.

For Both

- How businesses in the retail, technology and technology sectors are learning to engage and work with Indigenous people, businesses and their communities. -- Successful strategies;

At the Forum, Indigenous Works will provide insights from new research it is currently undertaking. A new Index Score has been developed indicating the level and extent of corporate/Indigenous engagement. How do the retail, manufacturing and technology sectors compare with the national engagement Index Score of 13 out of 100? Companies across all sectors scored just 13% on the survey designed to assess their commitment and readiness to Indigenous engagement.

- What do these businesses and the sectors need in order to develop more effective strategies for Indigenous employment and workforce development, business and social development partnerships? - Tools and information or other facilitative services?
- What new strategies could be introduced to increase engagements between Indigenous people and businesses in the retail, manufacturing and technology sectors? - Discussion.

Prior to the event we will make available the Forum Agenda and additional background materials along with discussion breakout themes.

The Forum will bring together perspectives from Industry leaders in the different sectors as well as Indigenous business development and employment leaders.

Details

April 16

Registration: 5:00 p.m.

Reception: 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Dinner: 6:30 pm - 8:30 p.m.

April 17

Registration/Breakfast: 8:00 a.m. to 9 a.m.

Lunch: 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

End: 4:00 p.m.

Meals are provided (as indicated above) - there is no registration fee, but you are responsible for your personal travel expenses.

RSVP - Space is limited!

This is an invitation-only event. Please RSVP to micheline@chelsea-group.net as soon as possible and by no later than March 31st, 2019.

Yes No I will attend the Dinner/Networking Event on April 16th

Yes No I will attend the Discussion Forum on April 17th

Please note if you have any dietary restrictions.

Accommodation

We have secured a discounted room rate of \$199/night at the Sheraton Gateway hotel. If you require accommodation, please contact the hotel at 1-905-672-7000 and refer to the Indigenous Works block of rooms to obtain our discounted rate.

The event has seats for up to 20 NACCA representatives on a first come basis.

We look forward to your attendance.

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