



AFRICA: 2015

Reaching the United Nation's Millennium Development Goals

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Dear Teacher,

On Friday, December 1, 2006, the Manitoba Council for International Cooperation (MCIC) will proudly host the sixth annual **Generating Momentum for Our World** provincial conference for high school students. The theme for the conference is **Africa: 2015, Reaching the United Nation's Millennium Development Goals**.

The purpose of the conference is to engage young people on the importance of reaching the UN's goals for Africa, while providing them with useful multimedia skills that they can use to engage their fellow students in social justice issues. Students who are socially aware and wish to become more active and involved citizens often do not have the necessary skills to organise and convey their message effectively. Therefore, MCIC provides a venue and a platform to inspire youth to work for positive change while developing those skills. **Generating Momentum for Our World** is an exciting opportunity for young people to learn and to network with other students and have fun doing it.

This year's conference will be a one-day event, consisting of an opening plenary, followed by the Skills Workshops (5 – 6 hours) and ending with an evening showcase of the students' creative works. Workshops will take place at several locations throughout Winnipeg. MCIC will provide transportation to and from the main venue at the University of Winnipeg to the workshops and lunch and supper will also be provided. The conference is a full day, from 8:30am – 9:00pm, and participants must commit to being in attendance for the entire day.

Teachers and supervisors are also encouraged to participate in a Teachers' Stream. This session will run concurrently with the students' workshop and will include facilitated discussions about the topic area and other development issues. The Teachers' Stream is an opportunity for teachers to network with other educators to discuss and share new and innovative ideas.

The following are included in this package:

- Conference brochures with workshop descriptions to distribute to interested students.
- Student Registration forms and parental consent forms – to be returned to MCIC (fax or mail) by November 1st 2006.
- Teacher Registration form – to be returned to MCIC (fax or mail) by November 1st 2006.

Please feel free to photocopy these items should you need additional copies. They are also available on the MCIC website at www.mcic.ca.

Workshop and conference space is limited. Up to six students per school will be accepted. Registration deadline is **November 1st, 2006**.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact MCIC at 987-6420 or by e-mail at conference@mcic.ca. MCIC looks forward to welcoming you and your students to **Generating Momentum for Our World**.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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