

Wednesday, October 2, 2024

Supporting Journeys to Resettlement

Date and Time: Wednesday, October 2 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: [Supporting Journeys to Resettlement Registration, Wed, 2 Oct 2024 at 1:30 PM | Eventbrite](#)

"Description:

Newcomers often face a myriad of challenges including language barriers, cultural adjustments, housing instability, and social isolation. These challenges can profoundly impact their mental health and overall well-being. As professionals, our role is to support these journeys, providing the tools, resources, and community connections necessary to help individuals and families not only survive but thrive in their new environments.

In this webinar, we will explore an integrated approach to resettlement, emphasizing the importance of protective factors, intersectionality, community-based mental health support, and key principles of culturally sensitive crisis management.

After attending this webinar you will be able to:

- Identify what a protective factors approach entails and why it is essential for successful resettlement.
- Describe how various aspects of identity (race, gender, socioeconomic status) intersect and affect resettlement experiences and how intersectionality is applied in resettlement support.
- Define why a community-based approach to mental health support can be beneficial to newcomers with settlement challenges.
- Know the importance of cultural sensitivity and how to incorporate it into crisis intervention strategies.

Presenter:

Remilekun Oniyide, MB; BS, MSc Public Health

Remilekun Oniyide is an internationally trained medical graduate with a Master of Public Health from the University of Northampton. With a robust background in both clinical and public health domains, she has dedicated her career to improving the health and well-being of diverse communities.

Currently serving as the Family Specialist at The Immigrant Education Society (TIES), she plays a pivotal role in delivering comprehensive support to newcomer individuals and families.

Her expertise encompasses a wide range of areas, including mental health, with a particular focus on culturally sensitive and inclusive care.

With a deep understanding of social determinants of mental well-being and family dynamics, she is passionate about nurturing the well-being of individuals and families through holistic and empowering initiatives. Her mission as the Family Specialist at TIES is to facilitate positive transformation that fosters strong mental wellness a

nd emotional connections in the lives of newcomers and vulnerable families in Canada."

Tuesday, October 8, 2024

OCASI Leaders' Forum 2024 - Shaping Tomorrow: Navigating Change Together

Date and Time: Tuesday, October 8 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Registration: [OCASI Leaders' Forum 2024 | SettlementAtWork](#)

"OCASI is pleased to invite you to attend our **Leaders' Forum** which will take place on **October 8-10, 2024**.

The OCASI Leaders' Forum is a **hybrid** meeting of sector leadership to discuss public policy, confer on programs and services, share knowledge and best practices on governance and new trends, foster constructive dialogue with government and funders and network.

Our theme this year is "**Shaping Tomorrow: Navigating Change Together**" and we are looking forward to an exciting program with a broad spectrum of dynamic workshops and plenary sessions.

Registration Fees:

Take advantage of our early bird forum fees by registering before August 29th, 2024.

- **Early Bird (before August 29, 2024)**
 - OCASI Member Agencies : \$150
 - Non-Member: \$250
- **Regular (after August 29, 2024)**
 - OCASI Member Agencies: \$200
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All fees are subject to 13% HST

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Le Sommet Francophone d'OCASI 2024

Date and Time: Tuesday, October 8 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Inscription: [le Sommet francophone | OCASI Leaders' Forum 2024 / Le Forum des Leaders d'OCASI 2024 \(ph](#)
[eedloop.com\)](#)

"Perspective de Résilience dans un contexte changeant?"

Mardi, Octobre 8th, 2024

12:00 - 16:00

Pan Pacific Hotel, 900 York Mills Rd, Toronto

OCASI organise une nouvelle fois le Sommet francophone sous le thème “La perspective de la résilience dans un contexte en mutation”. Cette initiative vise à offrir une tribune aux leaders francophones pour échanger sur leurs expériences, partager les meilleures pratiques et discuter des approches innovantes en matière de résilience. Les participants auront l'occasion d'explorer les adaptations et les stratégies de résistance des communautés francophones face aux défis de milieux dynamiques et changeants. Les discussions porteront notamment sur :

- **Résilience linguistique** : Stratégies pour maintenir et promouvoir la langue française, en particulier dans les contextes minoritaires.
- **Adaptation aux contextes évolutifs** : Comment les stratégies de résilience communautaire doivent s'ajuster face aux changements, tels que les avancées technologiques, les transformations des lieux de travail, et les évolutions des besoins des clients...."

Wednesday, October 9, 2024

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Migration as a determinant for mental health: lessons learned from community-based research

Date and Time: Wednesday, October 9 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Cost: free

Registration: https://newcomernavigation.zoom.us/webinar/register/9517212283693/WN_ijaMZwVUTe-3C1e0uQSPgg

A newcomer to Canada, whether an immigrant or a refugee, experiences many stressors when relocating to a new home. The experience is taxing on one's mental health, and being resilient is just one step in the equation. Resources and supports must also be available to assist newcomers in managing the trauma that can occur in the immigration process. Shifts in family dynamics, loss of connection and loneliness, and the difference between expectations and reality can all take a toll on a newcomer's well-being. As professionals working with newcomers, it is of utmost importance that intersectoral collaborations are used to promote our collective social responsibility so that newcomers can navigate the complexities of health and social care resources, address resource gaps, and promote mental health.

Join us on October 9, 2024, from 3 to 4 pm EST as we host Nancy Clark, Associate Professor of Nursing at the University of Victoria, and Geoffrey Maina, Associate Professor of Nursing at the University of Saskatchewan, as we hear about case studies from two community-based research projects, the lessons learned about intersectoral collaborations, and project implications for bridging knowledge to action to promote newcomer mental health.

Learning Objectives:

- Gain a greater understanding of the healthy immigrant effect and its impact based on gender
- Evaluate the dynamic shifts that can occur in newcomers and their families and its impact to mental health and well-being
- Understand what can be done from one's professional role to address the resources and supports necessary to help newcomers

Speakers:

- Nancy Clark, Associate Professor, Nursing, University of Victoria
- Geoffrey Maina, Associate Professor, Nursing, University of Saskatchewan

Thursday, October 10, 2024

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Date and Time: Thursday, October 10 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

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Friday, October 11, 2024

Migration Research Gyms - Fall 2024 - TMU

Date and Time: Friday, October 11 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: [MRGhomepage - CERC in Migration and Integration - Toronto Metropolitan University \(toronto.mu.ca\)](#)

Fall 2024 workshops

CERC Migration supports graduate students and emerging research scholars with in-person research training opportunities. The Migration Research Gyms provide specialized methodology and professional development training through intensive workshops. The small class setting emphasizes mentorship and hands-on learning.

The fall program includes the following sessions:

- [Sept. 27 – Ethics for research](#)
- [Oct. 11 – Writing grant proposals and fundraising for research](#)
- [Nov. 1 – Using autoethnography, creative writing and participatory approaches as research methods in migration studies](#)
- [Nov. 15 – How to write a policy brief](#)

Workshops are offered in-person only. Our workshops are often oversubscribed and we maintain a waiting list. We ask that you please cancel your registration if you are no longer able to attend. We appreciate your understanding.

Tuesday, October 15, 2024

Asylum Program Division of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) - Technical Briefings

Date and Time: Tuesday, October 15 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Cost: Free

Registration: Via email - Fanny.Tremblay@cic.gc.ca

We are reaching out today to let you know that the Asylum Program Division of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) is offering technical briefings on asylum claim processes. The technical briefing was developed to help front-line workers and government organizations gain a better understanding of the procedures involved in processing claims submitted by asylum seekers, as well as the supports and services they may be able to access while their claim is being processed. Please note that the information sessions are geared towards front-line workers and public servants from various community organizations and municipal, provincial and other governmental organizations who work with asylum seekers. Our briefings are virtual, via MS Teams, and last about 30 minutes. We also allow time after the presentation for questions. Below is an overview of what is covered.

1. Introduction to the Canadian Refugee Protection Programs

- Quick overview of the refugee resettlement and asylum programs
- Overview of the asylum application process

2. Key information for asylum claimants

- Application guides
- Representation
- Change of address

3. Four asylum processes by which an asylum claim can be processed

- IRCC Inland STEP Process
- CBSA One-Touch Process
- CBSA End to End Process
- CBSA (Furthered) Inland

4. Access & Coverages

- Work Permit
- Study Permit
- Interim Federal Health Program

5. Supports

- Direct Financial Support
- Housing
- Settlement Program

6. Sample of key asylum documents

7. Q&A Session

- Opportunity for attendees to ask questions and seek clarifications

Upcoming technical briefing dates

- July 24: 2:00 to 3:00 pm (Eastern Time)
- August 14: 10:00 to 11:00 am (Eastern Time)
- September 25: 2:00 to 3:00 pm (Eastern Time)
- October 15: 10:00 to 11:00 am (Eastern Time) - FRENCH
- October 30: 2:00 to 3:00 pm (Eastern Time)
- November 13: 10:00 to 11:00 am (Eastern Time)
- December 11: 2:00 to 3:00 pm (Eastern Time)

If you would like to participate, please send an email to Fanny.Tremblay@cic.gc.ca with your name, organization, and email address, and specify which session you wish to attend."

Intercultural Competency Training (register for each module)

Date and Time: Tuesday, October 15 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Cost: Free

Registration;

Please note that each two-hour training session takes place on a Tuesday from 10:00am to 12pm (Saskatchewan Time)

Sept 24 - Module One: Embracing diversity beyond the surface – Part One

[Register Here](#)

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Wednesday, October 16, 2024

United for Literacy's National Forum on Literacy and Immigration

Date and Time: Wednesday, October 16 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

"Join us on Wednesday, October 16 at 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. EST for an important forum discussion. From 2:35 to 3:15 p.m. EST, we welcome you to connect with our panelists in breakout rooms to continue the conversation. For more information, visit - <https://www.unitedforliteracy.ca/About/Events/2024-National-Forum>"

FA.I.R FOR ALL: AI'S IMPACT ON SETTLEMENT & LANGUAGE LEARNING

Date and Time: Wednesday, October 16 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: [FA.I.R FOR ALL: AI'S IMPACT ON SETTLEMENT & LANGUAGE LEARNING - ARAISA](#)

"This innovative webinar series by ARAISA & ISANS is dedicated to guiding and demonstrating the potential of generative AI technology in the settlement and integration sector. You will find out AI can significantly enhance the settlement and integration experience for our clients and colleagues, helping to reduce client waitlists, shorten wait times, and lighten workloads—a win-win for everyone!

From September 2024 to March 2025, join us for the whole series or for a few webinars! You'll gain practical insights and guidance and explore the latest AI technologies and processes currently employed in the settlement and integration sector. The series covers a variety of topics, including appropriate client use, new tools for language instructors, and ethical guidelines such as Digital Citizenship and technology standards.

This webinar series aims to serve as a platform for regional knowledge exchange, collaboration, and innovation by bringing together local experts, practitioners, and stakeholders from across the country to address the dynamic and evolving subject of integrating AI in our sector.

PLEASE NOTE THAT REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR EACH SESSION.

If you have any questions, please contact David Neilsen, Supervisor, Language Services, at dneilsen@isans.ca

- SEPTEMBER 18, 2024 | "FASTER:" Federal Guidelines, Considerations and Practical Examples of AI's Emergence in the Settlement Sector
- OCTOBER 16, 2024 | Tools & Rules: AI for Innovative Language Instruction, Guidelines for Instructors, and Ethical Considerations
- NOVEMBER 20, 2024 | Share practical strategies to use AI in and outside of the classroom and discuss common pitfalls – Part I
- DECEMBER 18, 2024 | Share practical AI experiences and next steps in building a community of practice- Part II
- JANUARY 15, 2025 | Working Smarter: Effective Material Production & Tailoring EAL Instruction to Individual Needs
- FEBRUARY 19, 2025 | Addressing AI Use in Asynchronous Writing Tasks: Instructor Strategies & Program Adaptations
- MARCH 19, 2025 | Future Trends: AI in Education: Predict How AI Will Shape Language Learning, Classroom Dynamics, and Teacher Roles"

Sunday, October 20, 2024

2024 Annual Conference , Right-Sizing Health Systems for Kids: Navigating to Brighter Futures

Date and Time: Sunday, October 20 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Registration: [Children's Healthcare Canada 2024 Conference \(chati.com\)](https://chati.com)

"Children's Healthcare Canada and co-hosts, the Janeway Children's Hospital and the [Janeway Children's Hospital Foundation](#), invite you to join us in picturesque Newfoundland and Labrador from October 20-22, at the St. John's Convention Centre for our 2024 Annual Conference , **Right-Sizing Health Systems for Kids: Navigating to Brighter Futures**. For those unable to attend in person, a real-time virtual option will also be available.

Children's Healthcare Canada is on a mission to [Right-Size Child Healthcare Systems](#). In 2024, we will explore how to pave the way for brighter futures for children, youth, and families within our healthcare systems. Through the collective efforts of our members, strategic partners, and sponsors, we are dedicated to ensuring that all children and youth in Canada have access to the healthcare services they require in a timely manner.

We are thrilled to share that we will be hosting another conference in the Spring of 2025, giving attendees the opportunity to engage in two conferences within a six-month period!

Join us at our upcoming conferences in October 2024 and 2025 as we delve into the concept of right-sizing health systems. Together, we will discuss what it takes to establish a flexible and responsive system that meets the u

nique needs of children and youth, ultimately leading to improved outcomes for all.

Don't miss the opportunity to contribute to the conversation on shaping a better future for the health and well-being of our youngest generation. We eagerly anticipate welcoming you to St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, as we work towards a brighter tomorrow for our children and families.

Stay tuned for our Call for Abstracts, launching in April 2024, and registration details, set to be released in July 2024."

Monday, October 21, 2024

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Date and Time: Tuesday, October 22 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Registration: [Children's Healthcare Canada 2024 Conference \(chati.com\)](https://www.childrenshc.ca/conference)

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Thursday, October 24, 2024

The 4th Annual Canadian Children, Youth and Communities (CCYC) Health In | Equity Conference

Date and Time: Thursday, October 24 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Registration: [The Canadian Children, Youth and Communities \(CCYC\) In Equity Conference \(utoronto.ca\)](https://www.utoronto.ca/ccyc)

"The Canadian Children, Youth and Communities (CCYC) In | Equity Conference is an interdisciplinary conference designed to bring together pediatric health and allied health care professionals to address health care inequities from birth to adolescence using a family-centred approach.

This conference explores health equity topics specific to marginalized communities in the Canadian health care system and offers approaches that can be implemented to address barriers in accessing healthcare for underserved, high-risk and economically disadvantaged children and youth.

Target Audience: This conference is for pediatric health, primary care and allied health professionals in academic and community settings nationwide who are looking to inform their professional practice with a health equity lens. We also invite youth, caregivers and community members to attend the conference to contribute to discussions around addressing system level equity issues. Those seeking approaches to address barriers in accessing health care and ways in which to implement these approaches may find the conference helpful."

Friday, October 25, 2024

The 4th Annual Canadian Children, Youth and Communities (CCYC) Health In | Equity Conference

Date and Time: Friday, October 25 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Registration: [The Canadian Children, Youth and Communities \(CCYC\) In Equity Conference \(utoronto.ca\)](https://utoronto.ca/ccyc)

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Monday, October 28, 2024

Immigrant and Refugee Mental Health Project: Leadership Course - September, 2024 - First and Last Day to Register

Date and Time: Monday, October 28 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: [Immigrant and Refugee Mental Health Project: Leadership Course - September, 2024 Survey \(surveymonkey.com\)](https://surveymonkey.com)

"This course is for leaders who are committed to understanding immigrant and refugee mental health and who lead staff working with immigrants and refugees in Canada. This includes organizations in the health, settlement and social service sectors.

This training will help you achieve the following goals:

- Improve your knowledge about the mental health needs of immigrants and refugees and understand the supports newcomers require.
- Introduce organizational strategies that support and improve mental health for immigrants and refugees.
- Develop appropriate policies related to immigrant and refugee mental health.
- Ensure a supportive work environment for staff as they promote the mental health of immigrants and refugees.

The course, which is structured around health equity at all levels of an organization, consists of four sections:

Section 1: Organizational-level health equity

Section 2: Staff-level health equity
Section 3: Service-level health equity
Section 4: Tools and resources

Additionally, you will have access to selected resources, tools and practices from the field.

The self-paced training will take three hours to complete, and is available for six weeks.

This learning activity is part of the Immigrant and Refugee Mental Health Project (IRMHP) at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health in Toronto and is a supplement to the main online course.

IRMHP is a national, capacity-building initiative to build the knowledge and skills of health, settlement and social service providers to effectively support the mental health of immigrants and refugees. It is funded by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada.

Visit our [website](#) for more information.

We strive to provide an inclusive, accessible course that enables all individuals, including individuals with disabilities, to engage fully. To request an accommodation or for inquiries about accessibility, please contact irmhproject@camh.ca

The following information is collected for registration and evaluative purposes. The information on the first page is needed in order to register you for the course. On pages two and three we are asking that you tell us a little about yourself, this information will be used in evaluations of the course content and for descriptive purposes. We ask that you take the time to answer all of the questions. The information will not be provided to anyone outside of the IRMH Project and Health Equity team at CAMH."

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Intercultural Competency Training (register for each module)

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Wednesday, October 30, 2024

Metropolis Identities Summit: Renewing Canada - Migration, Intersections, and Evolving Identities

Date and Time: Wednesday, October 30 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Registration: [7th Metropolis Identities Summit – Metropolis Conference](#)

The Sheraton Wall Center, Vancouver British Columbia

"This edition of the Metropolis Identities Summit will focus upon the particular ways in which our society is evolving and what this implies for addressing the needs of the population across varying and intersecting gender, ethnic, racialized, religious, linguistic and other groups. How do we reduce social and economic disadvantage, maximize access to health care and education and promote citizen engagement? How best can we diminish tension between communities, foster dialogue and strengthen intergroup relations? How do we respond to misinformation and disinformation about diversity and migration? The Summit will invite reflection on good practices in combating discrimination, racism and prejudice."

PRAIDA: Strategies for Supporting Asylum Seekers in Canada (V.F.)

Date and Time: Wednesday, October 30 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: https://newcomernavigation.zoom.us/webinar/register/7217212289902/WN_dGnx_MEJSqinHAeC41hnew

Join us for a webinar on PRAIDA, the only institutional Canadian program for the reception and integration of asylum seekers, boasting over 60 years of expertise in working with migrant populations in Quebec. The progra

m has adapted over time to various migration waves and changes in Canadian and American immigration policies. More recently, the additional protocol to the Safe Third Country Agreement (STCA) has raised new issues, particularly regarding access to asylum. Its application along the entire Canada-U.S. border has impacted the profile of the clientele served and traditional migration routes, necessitating new responses to address these challenges. This webinar will outline the unprecedented situation Canada is facing concerning the arrival of asylum seekers and how PRAIDA has adeptly adapted to meet the needs of these individuals.

Learning Objectives:

1. Provide an overview of the situation regarding the arrival of asylum seekers in Quebec and Canada.
2. Become familiar with the mandate and service offerings of PRAIDA.
3. Understand the impacts of the additional protocol to the Safe Third Country Agreement.

Speakers:

Alexis Jobin-Théberge, Senior Advisor, Conseiller cadre partenariat, Programme régional d'accueil et d'intégration des demandeurs d'asile (PRAIDA)

Alexis began his career working with asylum seekers and refugees in Brazil as an intern with an NGO (Missao Paz), before joining the PRAIDA team in 2018. He completed his higher education in international law and international politics, as well as in international development management and humanitarian action, in Canada and Brazil. His work focused on the policies of externalizing irregular migratory flows and the interception of migrants in third countries. At PRAIDA, he acts as Senior Advisor, responsible for partnerships and program outreach.

Karissa De Cotiis, Social Worker, Programme régional d'accueil et d'intégration des demandeurs d'asile (PRAIDA)

Karissa is a social worker with experience in child protection and refugee care. She currently works at PRAIDA in Montreal. She holds a bachelor's degree in international development and political science, and a master's degree in social work from McGill University. She worked for four years within the psychosocial follow-up team for unaccompanied minors (UASC), now serving as the team's Clinical Activities Specialist. Karissa is passionate about intersectoral partnerships and global migration trends. She is dedicated to developing programming and applying best practices to support UASC in Quebec and Canada.

Asylum Program Division of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) - Technical Briefings

Date and Time: Wednesday, October 30 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: Via email - Fanny.Tremblay@cic.gc.ca

We are reaching out today to let you know that the Asylum Program Division of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) is offering technical briefings on asylum claim processes. The technical briefing was developed to help front-line workers and government organizations gain a better understanding of the procedures involved in processing claims submitted by asylum seekers, as well as the supports and services they may be able to access while their claim is being processed. Please note that the information sessions are geared towards front-line workers and public servants from various community organizations and municipal, provincial and other governmental organizations who work with asylum seekers. Our briefings are virtual, via MS Teams, and last about 30 minutes. We also allow time after the presentation for questions. Below is an overview of what is covered.

1. Introduction to the Canadian Refugee Protection Programs

- Quick overview of the refugee resettlement and asylum programs
- Overview of the asylum application process

2. Key information for asylum claimants

- Application guides
- Representation
- Change of address

3. Four asylum processes by which an asylum claim can be processed

- IRCC Inland STEP Process
- CBSA One-Touch Process
- CBSA End to End Process
- CBSA (Furthered) Inland

4. Access & Coverages

- Work Permit
- Study Permit
- Interim Federal Health Program

5. Supports

- Direct Financial Support
- Housing
- Settlement Program

6. Sample of key asylum documents

7. Q&A Session

- Opportunity for attendees to ask questions and seek clarifications

Upcoming technical briefing dates

- July 24: 2:00 to 3:00 pm (Eastern Time)
- August 14: 10:00 to 11:00 am (Eastern Time)
- September 25: 2:00 to 3:00 pm (Eastern Time)
- October 15: 10:00 to 11:00 am (Eastern Time) - FRENCH
- October 30: 2:00 to 3:00 pm (Eastern Time)
- November 13: 10:00 to 11:00 am (Eastern Time)
- December 11: 2:00 to 3:00 pm (Eastern Time)

If you would like to participate, please send an email to Fanny.Tremblay@cic.gc.ca with your name, organization, and email address, and specify which session you wish to attend."

Thursday, October 31, 2024

Metropolis Identities Summit: Renewing Canada - Migration, Intersections, and Evolving Identities

Date and Time: Thursday, October 31 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Registration: [7th Metropolis Identities Summit – Metropolis Conference](#)

The Sheraton Wall Center, Vancouver British Columbia

"This edition of the Metropolis Identities Summit will focus upon the particular ways in which our society is evolving and what this implies for addressing the needs of the population across varying and intersecting gender, ethnic, racialized, religious, linguistic and other groups. How do we reduce social and economic disadvantage, maximize access to health care and education and promote citizen engagement? How best can we diminish tension between communities, foster dialogue and strengthen intergroup relations? How do we respond to misinformation and disinformation about diversity and migration? The Summit will invite reflection on good practices in combating discrimination, racism and prejudice."

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