



SASKATCHEWAN FIRST NATIONS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT network

Indigenous Economic Development News

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Economic Diversification: Sustainability or Growth



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Young people want opportunity, the next generation wants jobs and knowledge; they want to be connected to the global economy through technology and innovation.

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Indigenous Business Leaders worldwide to convene in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan Canada for the 7th World Indigenous Business Forum-



Hundreds of enterprise-minded Indigenous people from around the globe will converge on the beautiful prairie city of Saskatoon, located in Saskatchewan, Canada to participate in the annually held World Indigenous Business Forum (WIBF).

"The World Indigenous Business Forum lends to creating meaningful business relations and creating proactive partnerships and friends," says Milton Tootoosis, chairperson, Saskatchewan First Nations Economic Development Network. "The international meetings have led to forming strategic alliances and global partners and we're hoping to benefit as well."

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Law and Indigenous resource development: Africa and Canada - Eagle Feather News

"It's becoming more prevalent wherever extractive companies go," said Odumosu-Ayanu, an associate professor in the College of Law. "Often they have the legal license to operate from the government but some also seek a social license to operate. Some companies understand that having a legal piece of paper alone might not necessarily get them what they want."

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Partnership improves northern cellular service - Eagle Feather News

SaskTel has announced that the new cellular towers serving the communities of Stony Rapids and Black Lake are fully operational and residents can now enjoy the benefits of SaskTel wireless service.
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Business climate warming for First Nations entrepreneurs: Merasty - Saskatoon StarPhoenix

"You're seeing baby boomers exiting ... and what that represents is opportunity for aboriginal businesses to buy in, to get involved, to work," said Gary Merasty, president and chief operating officer of Des Nedhe Development, the English River First Nation's development corporation.

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Removing barriers for aboriginal entrepreneurs - Globe Advisor

Born in Saskatoon 32 years ago, Rachel Eyahpaise had an upbringing that was anything but stable. A member of the Sakimay First Nation, she was a permanent ward of the government until she turned 18, in and out of so many foster and group homes in Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia that she lost count.

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Inuit leaders ask Justin Trudeau for Inuit issues committee, 2nd Kelowna Accord (CBC News)

Inuit leaders proposed the creation of a joint committee dedicated to Inuit issues during a meeting with Prime Minister Justin Trudeau this week in Ottawa. Leaders from the Inuvialuit region, Nunavut, Nunavik and Nunatsiavut met with Trudeau.

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SFNEDN Annual Forum

ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION: Innovation, Sustainability, Growth

This one-day forum will focus on the steps to achieve long-term growth, sustainability and economic diversification. It is the goal of each nation worldwide to develop a strong, sustainable economy that will enhance a nation's standard of living through wealth creation and jobs, encouraging the development of new knowledge and technology. The forum will debate on the most effective strategies to move the economy into a new realm of diversification, sustainable growth and economic stability.

NOMINATIONS

- Do you know of an individual or community making a difference in their community using economic development?

April 6, 2016

Dakota Dunes Events Centre
Whitecap Dakota First Nation, Saskatchewan

2016 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION:
Innovation, Sustainability, Growth

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:
Economic Development practitioners, Economic Development Corporate Leaders, First Nation Elected Officials, Government

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DON'T FORGET the Economic Development Individual or Community Nominations will be taking place at the forum, call 306-667-5661 to get your form today!
All forms must be submitted by April 2, 2016 to qualify.

- Have their contributions resulted in a positive impact?
- Do you want to recognize that individual or community?

SFNEDN will be recognizing an individual and community chosen through the process of nomination. For more details and to access the forms, [CLICK HERE](#)

To register for the 2016 Annual Forum, go to <https://www.picatic.com/ISG2016>, OR [click here](#) - seats are limited!

View the AGENDA [here](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 6, 2016**

Economic Diversification: Innovation, Sustainability, Growth

Dakota Dunes Event Centre

Whitecap Dakota Nation, SK

www.sfnedn.com

April 13 & 14, 2016

Managing the Media

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Indigenous Leadership Development Institute (ILDII)

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April 19-21, 2016

4th Annual National Conference - Canadian Aboriginal Human Resource

Management

Association (CAHRMA)

Saskatoon, SK

<http://www.cahrma.ca/resources/save-the-date/>

June 1 & 2, 2016

Creating Intersections for Growth

Swift Current, SK

www.seda.ca

June 2 & 3, 2016

Human Resource Management

Winnipeg, MB

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June 13 - 15, 2016

Aboriginal Business Match - Prairies

Saskatoon, SK.

<https://registration.aboriginalbusinessmatch.com/prairies2016/>

August 23 - 25, 2016

World Indigenous Business Forum

Saskatoon, SK

www.wibf.ca

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