



The National Forum on Economic Growth of Big Cities in Canada is organized by the Communauté métropolitaine de Montréal and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.



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The National Forum on the Economic Growth of Big Cities in Canada is a unique opportunity for the Big City Mayors' Caucus of the Canadian Federation of Municipalities and for business and community representatives to meet together and discuss what should be done to create new wealth in a partnership between governments, businesses and the community.

Four discussion sessions will deliver insights into the foundations of a development strategy for Canadian city regions.

Setting Ambitious Growth Objectives for City Regions is the first theme to be addressed. The goal of the session is to show participants how Canadian city regions compare with their North American competitors, and how they can set themselves ambitious objectives for creating new wealth to increase the prosperity of all citizens.

In the second theme, entitled *Investing to Accelerate Economic Growth*, the mayors will have the occasion to identify new revenue sources that could be used to establish an infrastructure investment program and to determine how the costs of such a program could be shared in a strategy for development, competitiveness and attractivity.

Sharing the Revenues of New Growth, the third theme to be discussed, aims to identify the most promising revenue sources to result from new economic growth so that city regions may begin negotiating with the federal and provincial governments for a share of the new revenues they help generate.

Participants in the last session, *Reinvesting to Acquire the Means to Achieve our Ambitions*, will determine where city regions should be investing their new revenues.

The Forum will close with a joint declaration issued by the BC22 mayors.

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June 9-11, 2004

PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9

6:00 p.m.

Grand Salon

Opening ceremony

Moderator: *Jean-François Lépine*, journalist, Société Radio-Canada

Introduction of the BC22 mayors

Opening remarks:

- *Gérald Tremblay*, Mayor of Montreal, Quebec, and Chairman of the Communauté métropolitaine de Montréal
- *Ann MacLean*, Mayor of New Glasgow, Nova Scotia, and Chairman of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities
- *Pat Fiacco*, Mayor of Regina, Saskatchewan, and Chairman of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Big City Mayors' Caucus
- *Jean-Marc Fournier*, Minister of Municipal Affairs, Sports and Recreation, Government of Quebec

7h00 p.m.

Foyer of Grand Salon

Cocktail reception and dinner

Launch of FORCES magazine issue
Montreal, City Region

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

7:30 a.m.

Closed-door session involving the BC22 mayors and business and community representatives with *Michael Harcourt*, Chairman of the External Advisory Committee on Cities and Communities

7:30 a.m.

Foyer of Grand Salon

Registration

Coffee, croissants

9:00 a.m.

Grand Salon A & B

Review of the day's agenda

Moderator: *Jean-François Lépine*, journalist, Société Radio-Canada

9:10 a.m.

Grand Salon A & B

Accelerating Investment for the Future Prosperity of Metropolitan Regions: The Case of Montreal

Speaker: *Gérald Tremblay*, Mayor of Montreal, Quebec, and Chairman of the Communauté métropolitaine de Montréal

Federation of Canadian Municipalities Big City Mayors' Caucus

BRAMPTON (ON)
Her Worship Mayor Susan Fennell

CALGARY (AB)
His Worship Mayor David Bronconnier

EDMONTON (AB)
His Worship Mayor Bill Smith

GATINEAU (QC)
His Worship Mayor Yves Ducharme

HALIFAX (NS)
His Worship Mayor Peter J. Kelly

HAMILTON (ON)
His Worship Mayor Larry Di Ianni

KITCHENER (ON)
His Worship Mayor Carl Zehr

LAVAL (QC)
His Worship Mayor Gilles Vaillancourt

LONDON (ON)
Her Worship Mayor Anne Marie DeCicco

LONGUEUIL (QC)
His Worship Mayor Jacques Olivier

MISSISSAUGA (ON)
Her Worship Mayor Hazel McCallion

MONTREAL (QC)
His Worship Mayor Gérald Tremblay

OTTAWA (ON)
His Worship Mayor Bob Chiarelli

QUEBEC (QC)
His Worship Mayor Jean-Paul L'Allier

REGINA (SK)
His Worship Mayor Pat Fiacco

SASKATOON (SK)
His Worship Mayor Don Atchison

ST. JOHN'S (NL)
His Worship Mayor Andy Wells

SURREY (BC)
His Worship Mayor Doug W. McCallum

TORONTO (ON)
His Worship Mayor David Miller

VANCOUVER (BC)
His Worship Mayor Larry Campbell

WINDSOR (ON)
His Worship Mayor Eddie Francis

WINNIPEG (MB)
City Councillor Gord Steeves

9:45 a.m.
Foyer of Grand Salon

Break

10:00 a.m.
Grand Salon A & B

Theme 1 - Setting Ambitious Growth Objectives for City Regions

Presentation of theme: *Jacques Olivier*, Mayor of Longueuil, Quebec, and Vice-Chairman of the Communauté métropolitaine de Montréal Executive Committee

Discussion involving the BC22 mayors and business and community representatives

11:15 a.m.
Grand Salon A & B

Theme 2 - Investing to Accelerate Economic Growth

Presentation of theme: *Gilles Vaillancourt*, Mayor of Laval, Quebec, Vice-Chairman of the Montreal Metropolitan Community and Chairman of the Quebec Coalition for the Renewal of Infrastructure

Discussion involving the BC22 mayors and business and community representatives

12:30 p.m.
Grand Salon C

Lunch - The Future of Big Cities

Keynote speakers: *Alain Dubuc*, Columnist of La Presse and Le Soleil
John Honderich, Past Publisher of the Toronto Star

2:30 p.m.
Grand Salon A & B

Theme 3 - Sharing the Revenues of New Growth

Presentation of theme: *David Miller*, Mayor of Toronto, Ontario

Discussion involving the BC22 mayors and business and community representatives

3:30 p.m.
Grand Salon A & B

Theme 4 - Reinvesting to Acquire the Means to Achieve Our Ambitions

Presentation of theme: *Jean-Paul L'Allier*, Mayor of Quebec City, Quebec, and Chairman of the Communauté métropolitaine de Québec

Discussion involving the BC22 mayors and business and community representatives

4:30 p.m.
Grand Salon A & B

Summary of the day's proceedings

Speaker: *Mario Pezzini*, Head of Division, Territorial Reviews and Governance, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

5:00 p.m.

Closed-door session involving the BC22 mayors and business and community representatives on the proposed BC22 Montreal Declaration

6:00 p.m.
Hall of Honour
Montreal City Hall

Reception hosted by the Mayor of Montreal as part of the Montreal Grand Prix - Formula 1

FRIDAY, JUNE 11

7:30 a.m.

Continuation of closed-door session involving the BC22 mayors and business and community representatives

9:00 a.m.
Foyer of Grand Salon

Coffee, croissants

9:30 a.m.
Grand Salon A & B

Closing ceremony

Presentation of the BC22 Montreal Declaration:

Gérald Tremblay, Mayor of Montreal, Quebec, and Chairman of the Communauté métropolitaine de Montréal

Remarks by mayors and business and community representatives
Official signing of the BC22 Montreal Declaration

11:30 a.m.
Grand Salon C

Press conference

12:00 noon

Session involving the mayors, and the *Right Honourable Paul Martin*, Prime Minister of Canada