

**FOREIGN RELATIONS OF CONSTITUENT UNITS  
Core Practitioners' Program**

Fairmont Hotel  
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada  
11-12 May 2001  
Friday, 11 May 2001  
**07:00 – 08:30** Breakfast

**07:45 – 08:45** Registration

**08:50** Delegates gather in the Wellington Ballroom

**09:00 – 09:15** Keynote Introduction – *Gil Remillard, Byers & Casgrain (TBC)*

**09:15 – 09:45** Keynote Address – *Hon. Gary Doer, Premier of Manitoba*

**09:45 – 10:15** Plenary Presentation 1: An overview of constituent unit foreign relations in Canada, past, present and future – *Douglas Brown, Queen's University (TBC)*

**10:15-10:45** Plenary Presentation 2: Alberta's experiences in global relations – *Wayne Clifford, Assistant Deputy minister, International and Intergovernmental Relations, Alberta*

**10:45 – 11:00** Break

**11:00 – 11:30** Plenary Presentation 3: Québec's experiences in global relations – *Jean-Marc Blondeau, Ancien Délégué général du Québec en Allemagne, Québec*

**11:30 – 12:00** Plenary Presentation 4: Ontario's experiences in global relations – *Grahame Richards, Assistant Deputy Minister, Investment, Ontario (TBC)*

**12:00 – 13:00** Q & A from the floor and panel discussion

**13:00 – 14:00** Lunch

**14:00 – 14:15** Delegates gather in the Wellington and West Ballrooms for afternoon workshops

**14:15 – 17:00** Concurrent Workshop Sessions "A": Preparation for negotiations, negotiation of international agreements, and the nature of sub-national participation

Including lead discussants on international agreements on trade, the environment and social policy sectors

**17:15 – 18:15 Youth participants' discussion group**

**19:30 – 22:30** Evening reception and informal networking activity

Saturday, 12 May 2001 **07:30 – 09:00** Breakfast

**09:10** Delegates gather in the Wellington and West Ballrooms for morning workshops

**09:20 – 11:50 Concurrent Workshop Sessions “B”: Implementation and enforcement of international agreements at the sub-national level**

Including lead discussants on international agreements on trade, the environment and social policy sectors

**11:50 – 12:00** Break – delegates relocate to the Wellington Ballroom

**12:00 – 12:30 Plenary Presentation 5:** What are the roles of constituent governments in international affairs and the occasions for domestic intergovernmental cooperation and conflict? – *John Kincaid, Lafayette College, USA*

**12:30 – 13:00 Plenary Presentation 6:** Intergovernmental relations and the foreign policy process in Brazil – *Cesario Melantonio Neto, Director of Federal Relations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Brazil*

**13:00-14:00** Lunch

**14:15 – 14:45 Plenary Presentation 7:** The evolution of metropolitan governments in federal politics: Buenos Aires and the foreign policy process in Argentina – *Marcelo Escolar, General Director, Political Reform Program, Argentina*

**14:45 – 15:15 Plenary Presentation 8:** Scottish Parliament and the European Union: foreign policy in quasi-federal structures – *Ailsa Henderson, University of Toronto, Canada*

**15:15 – 16:30 Q & A from the floor and panel discussion**

**16:30 – 16:45** Break

**16:45 – 17:15 Rapporteurs' report from workshops A1 & B1**

**17:15 – 17:30 Rapporteurs' report from workshops A2 & B2**

**17:30 – 18:00 Rapporteur's report from the youth delegation**

**18:00 – 18:45 Q & A from the floor and panel discussion**

**19:30 – 22:30** Closing banquet for core practitioners' component

Evening social for youth delegates

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### ***Young Professionals Program (YPP)***

Fairmont Hotel  
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada  
10 & 13 May 2001  
Thursday, 10 May 2001  
**07:00 – 08:30** Breakfast

**07:45 – 08:45** Morning registration

**08:50** Youth delegates gather in the Wellington Ballroom

**09:00 – 09:15** Keynote Introduction – *Ralph Lysyshyn, President, Forum of Federations, Canada*

**09:15 – 10:00** Keynote Address on Federalism and Globalization – *Hon. Robert Rae, Chairman of the Board, Forum of Federations, Canada*

**10:00 – 10:15** Break

**10:15 – 11:20** Roundtable 1: What is globalization and how does it impact on governance? –

*George Mathew, Director, Institute for Social Sciences, India*

**11:20 – 12:30** Roundtable 2: How do advances in information and communication technologies affect the evolution of the status of sub-national governments in international affairs? – *Colin Maclay, Harvard Center for International Development, USA (TBC)*

**12:30 – 13:50** Lunch

**14:00 – 15:15** Roundtable 3: How does the emergence of city-regions create new questions for practitioners of federalism? – *Nico Steytler, University of the Western Cape, South Africa*

**15:15 – 15:45** Break

**15:45 – 17:00** Roundtable 4: How can effective mechanisms of intergovernmental relations alleviate some of the tensions that are inherent to federal systems of government? – *Noé Cornago, University of the Basque Country, Spain (TBC)*

**18:00 – 22:00** Cocktail reception

Sunday, 13 May 2001

**07:00 – 09:45** Breakfast

**09:50** Youth delegates gather in the Wellington Ballroom

**10:00 – 12:00 Roundtable 5: What are the lessons learned for youth participants and how can they acquire a greater voice in public policy debates?** – *Shane Levesque, Forum of Federations, Canada*

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