ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Sustainable Development: Relationships, Indigenous Lands, and Energy

June 11-12, 2025 Hôtel des Eskers - Amos



Preliminary Program

EXPLORATORY WORKSHOP ON ECONOMIC RECONCILIATION

"Stronger Together: Building Bridges and Sharing Prosperity
Through Economic Reconciliation with Cree and Anishinabe Nations"

09:00 TO 12:00 | JUNE 11, 2025 | HÔTEL DES ESKERS

This workshop, offered by the First Nations Executive Education, powered by HEC Montréal, explores economic reconciliation as a pathway to shared prosperity between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples, with a focus on the Cree and Anishinabe Nations.



Facilitators:

- Monik Kistabish
- Kristen Moar

JUNE 11 DAY 1 Sustainable Development | Relationships, Indigenous Lands and Energy

| 1:00 – 1:30 p.m. | Welcoming of participants |
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| 1:30 – 1:45 | Opening ceremony Master of ceremony: Julie-Ann Cooper • Traditionnal chant – • Oscar Kistabish – Elder - Abitibiwinni of Pikogan |
| 1:45 – 2:10 | Opening remarks Chief Chantal Kistabish – Chief - Conseil de la Première Nation Abitibiwinni Suzanne Blais – Member of Abitibi-Ouest Sébastien D'Astous – Mayor – Ville d'Amos Drs. Ted Moses – O.Q President - SCNATEA |
| 2:15 – 3:00 | Presentation The history of the Washaw Sibi community Chief Annie Mapachee-Salt – Chief - Cree Nation of Washaw Sibi |
| 3:05 – 3:20 | Health break offered by: FALITY IN SECTION OF A SECTI |
| 3:25 – 4:25 | Panel discussion Setting up a new community: challenges, visions and territorial foundations Moderated by: Éric Rosa – Professor and researcher - UQAT • Chief Annie Mapachee-Salt – Chief - Cree Nation of Washaw Sibi • Chief Chantal Kistabish – Chief - Conseil de la Première Nation Abitibiwinni • Dr. Abel Bosum – Former Grand Chief of the Eeyou/Eenou Nation |
| 4:30 - 5:00 | Plenary |
| 5:00 - 6:00 | Networking cocktail offered by: Dhilmar • DJ Jeremie Kistabish |
| 6:00 – 9:00 | Dinner & Cultural Evening Jossée Bernier – Singer and songwriter Oujé-Bougoumou EENOU EEYOU CONSTRUCTION |

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| JUNE 12 | DAY 2 Sustainable Development Relationships, Indigenous Lands and Energy |
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| 08:30 - 08:55 | Welcoming of participants |
| 09:00 - 09:25 | Master of ceremony: Julie-Ann Cooper Opening remarks • Sébastien Lemire – Member of Parliament Abitibi-Témiscamingue • Grand Chief Norman A. Wapachee – Grand Chief – Grand Council of the Crees • Drs. Ted Moses – O.Q President - SCNATEA |
| 09:30 – 10:30 | Presentation - Environmental and land protection initiatives Joanie Caron - Professor - Université du Québec en Abitibi-Témiscamingue (UQAT) Adario Masty - AMES clean-up Specialist - Department Environment and Remedial Works |
| 10:35 – 10:50 | Health break offered by: |
| 10:55 – 11:55 | Panel discussion - How can we minimize the impact of mineral exploration from a sustainable development perspective? Moderated by: Youcef Larbi – Chief Geologist/Director General - Cree Mineral Exploration Board • Jim MacLeod – President - JA MacLeod Exploration • Dominique Doucet – President and founder - Ressources Sirios inc. • Joanie Caron – Professor - UQAT |
| 12:00 – 1:00 | Networking Lunch offered by: |
| 1:00 – 1:25 | Presentation - Declaration on Climate Change in Eeyou Istchee Pernilla Talec – Manager of Climate Change – Cree Nation Government |
| 1:30 – 1:55 | Presentation Kody Penner – Vice President Corporate Development - Nations Royalty |
| 2:00 – 2:55 | Panel discussion - Sustainable relations with First Nations in an energy context Moderated by: Éric Rosa – Professor and researcher - UQAT Michael Sabia – Chairman and CEO – Hydro-Québec Drs. Ted Moses – O.Q President - SCNATEA |
| 3:00 – 3:15 | Health break |
| 3:20 – 3:55 | Conference Grand Chief Norman A. Wapachee – Grand Chief – Grand Council of the Crees |
| 4:00 | Closing word and draw |

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