Understanding indigenous economic development in northern, rural, and remote settings workshop

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Rooms 6-205 & 6-211

Workshop is part of a joint meeting of the University of the Arctic’s thematic networks on:
• Local and regional development
• Northern governance
• Northern tourism

The Workshop is organized by:
• Greg Halseth, UNBC, Community Development Institute
• Ray Gerow, Prince George Aboriginal Business Development Corporation

The workshop will result in an electronic-book publication co-edited by Greg Halseth, Tor Gjertsen, and Julia Schwamborn. All presentations will be recorded, transcribed, and edited by the participants so that the information and discussion can be shared more widely. The electronic-book will be published through the UNBC Community Development Institute’s peer-reviewed Community Publication Series.

The focus is on indigenous economic development. Speakers will:
• identify the framework of current indigenous economic development actions,
• identify the key barriers to successful development, and
• identify the actions and supports needed to achieve any desired changes.

The critical contexts for indigenous development in Canada will include:
• on-reserve,
• nations with treaties, and
• urban Aboriginal economic development.
Workshop – Wednesday Nov. 24, 2010

8:30 to 9:00   coffee

9:00 to 10:00   Welcomes:
                Workshop co-organizers
                Lheidli Tenneh First Nation
                City of Prince George
                University of Northern British Columbia
                University of the Arctic
                Prayer
                Workshop logistics

10:00 to 10:30   break

10:30 to 12:00   Governance and economic development:

                Ray Gerow (Prince George Aboriginal Business Development Corp.)
                Gary Wilson (UNBC)

                Session discussion and reflection

12:00 to 1:00   Lunch

1:00 to 2:30   Aboriginal tourism:

                Diana Kutzner (UNBC)
                Keith Henry (Aboriginal Tourism BC)

                Session discussion and reflection

2:30 to 3:00   break

3:00 to 4:30   Aboriginal tourism:

                Clint Fraser (Northern BC Tourism Association)
                Arvid Viken (Finnmark University College, Norway)

                Session discussion and reflection
Workshop – Thursday Nov. 25, 2010

8:30 to 9:00  coffee

9:00 to 10:00  **On-reserve economic development:**

Ted Williams (BC Government)
John Disney (Old Massett Village)

Session discussion and reflection

10:00 to 10:30  break

10:30 to 12:00  **Economic development tools:**

John Curry and Han Donker (UNBC)
Tor Gjertsen (Finnmark University College, Norway)

Session discussion and reflection

12:00 to 1:00  Lunch

1:00 to 2:30  **Local and regional development perspectives:**

Vince Prince (Nak’azdli First Nation)
Chief Derek Orr (McLeod Lake Indian Band)

Session discussion and reflection

2:30 to 3:00  break

3:00 to 4:30  **Contexts for Aboriginal economic development:**

Greg Poelzer (University of Saskatchewan)
Greg Halseth (UNBC)

Session discussion and reflection

Closing
International observers:
   Tor Gjertsen – Finnmark University College, Norway
   Arvid Viken – Finnmark University College, Norway

Canadian observers:
   Greg Poelzer - University of Saskatchewan, Canada

Northern BC observers:
   Leslie Lax – BC provincial government - confirmed
   Roy Spooner – Prince George Chamber of Commerce
   Susan Stearns – Community Futures Development Corporation

UNBC observers:
   Ross Hoffman
   Titi Kunkel
   Pat Maher
   Zoë Meletis
   Mike Murphy
   Karyn Sharp
   Gary Wilson
1 - Bon Voyage Plaza
- Art Knapp's Plantland & Florist
- Bon Voyage Esso
- *Bon Voyage Inn
- Bon Voyage Sports
- Cold Beer & Wine Store
- Golden Paradise (Tanning/Pizza)
- Mother Maria's (Health Food)
- Sfondo Sushi Factory
- Sunset Laundromat
- & Dry Cleaners

2 - Westgate Plaza (West Block)
- Chatters Salon
- Extreme Pita (Pita Wraps)
- HUB Barton Insurance
- McDonald's
- Payless Shoe Source
- Subway
- Wal-Mart

3 - Westgate Plaza (East Block)
- A&W (Fast Food)
- Canadian Tire (Department Store/Automotive)
- The Home Depot (Home Improvement)
- Mark's Work Wearhouse (Clothing)
- Taco Del Mar (Tacos/Burritos)
- Tim Hortons (Pastries/Coffee/Fast Food)

4 - Domano Boulevard
- Dairy Queen (Fast Food/Ice Cream)
- Domano Chevron
- Esso Tiger Express
- KFC Kentucky Fried Chicken
- McDonald's
- Rogers Video (Movie Rentals)
- Scotiabank

5 - College Heights Shopping Ctr
- Booster Juice (Smoothies/Juices/Health Drinks)
- Domano Florists & Gifts
- Sarita Computers
- Save On Foods (Supermarket)
- Shoppers Drug Mart (Pharmacy/Groceries/Cosmetics)
- Starbucks Coffee
- TD Canada Trust (Bank)

6 - College Heights Pub
- College Heights Cold Beer & Wine Store
- College Heights
- Neighbourhood Pub

7 - College Heights Plaza
- CH Convenience Store
- College Heights 2 For 1 Pizza