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2009 LEF/NIF Competition Information Sessions

In order to provide information, and to answer questions regarding the 2009 Leading Edge Fund / New Initiatives Fund competition, the Canada Foundation for Innovation will be holding information sessions for researchers, research administrators and other interested parties.

These information sessions will focus on the goals of the 2009 LEF/NIF competition, the changes since the previous competition, and the application and review processes. The sessions will be approximately 2 hours in duration and will begin with a 20 to 30 minute presentation, followed by a question and answer period. The purpose of the latter will be to address general questions about these funds, and not to discuss specific proposals.

Provincial government representatives have been invited to participate in these sessions and, where possible, will be available to answer your questions.

These information sessions will be held in several cities around the country during the latter part of February and early March. Please refer to the table attached for the date and location of the session closest to you. To ensure that adequate space is available to accommodate all those interested in attending, kindly rsvp to tricia.ho@innovation.ca, to indicate which information session you will attend and an estimated number of attendees from your institution.

For those institutions where the geographic distance poses a challenge, the CFI has posted a copy of the presentation on its website. Furthermore the CFI will endeavour to organize telephone conference calls in lieu of a question and answer session upon request.

City	Date	Time	Location	Notes
Montréal	21-Feb-08	9:30am	Delta Centre Ville 777 rue University Montreal, QC Tel: 514-879-1370	
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Québec	22-Feb-08	1:30pm	Hotel Gouverneur 3030 boul Laurier Sainte-Foy, QC Tel: 418-651-3030 Salle Argenson	1
Winnipeg	26-Feb-08	9:00am	Holiday Inn Winnipeg South 1330 Pembina Highway Winnipeg, MB Tel: 204-452-4747 Portage II Ballroom	
Edmonton	28-Feb-08	9:30am	Delta Edmonton Centre 10222-102 St Edmonton, AB Tel: 780-429-3900 Mackenzie Meeting Room	
Calgary	28-Feb-08	9:30am	Best Western Village Park Inn 1804 Crowchild Trail NW Calgary, AB Tel: 403-289-0241	
Vancouver	28-Feb-08	2:00pm	Fairmont Waterfront 900 Canada Place Way Vancouver, BC Tel: 604-691-1991 Waterfront Ballroom A	
Saskatoon	29-Feb-08	9:30am	Sheraton Cavalier Saskatoon Hotel 612 Spadina Cres. East Saskatoon, SK Tel: 306-652-6770 East Room	

Notes:

- 1. Session in French
- 2. Bilingual Session

St. John's	4-Mar-08	9:30am	Memorial University Petro Canada Hall - Music Building St. John's, NL A1C 5S7 Tel: 709-737-2598	
Fredericton	5-Mar-08	1:30pm	Crowne Plaza Fredericton 659 Queen St. Fredericton, NB Tel: 506-455-3371 St. John Miramichi Room	2
London	5-Mar-08	1:30pm	Hilton Hotel London 300 King St. London, ON Tel: 519-439-1661	
Halifax	6-Mar-08	1:30pm	Lord Nelson Hotel & Suites 1515 South Park St. Halifax, NS Tel: 902-423-6331 Admiral Room	
Guelph	6-Mar-08	9:30am	Holiday Inn Guelph 601 Scottsdale Drive Guelph, ON Tel: 519-836-0231 Oakwood B	
Ottawa	6-Mar-08	1:30pm	Delta Ottawa 361 Queen St. Ottawa, ON Tel: 613-238-6000 Victoria Room	2
Toronto	7-Mar-08	9:30am	Delta Chelsea 33 Gerrard St. W. Toronto, ON Tel: 416-595-1975 Rossetti Room	
Charlottetown	7-Mar-08	1:30pm	University of Prince Edward Island Chi Wang Young Sports Centre 2 nd Floor Boardroom	

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