



SECOND CALL FOR PAPERS

17th INUIT STUDIES CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 28-30, 2010

UNIVERSITÉ DU QUÉBEC EN ABITIBI-TÉMISCAMINGUE, VAL-D'OR, QUÉBEC, CANADA

IN COLLABORATION WITH DIALOG NETWORK¹

February 15, 2010 – The Université du Québec en Abitibi-Témiscamingue (UQAT) and DIALOG, the Research and Knowledge Network Relating to Aboriginal Peoples, will host the 17th Inuit Studies Conference, which will take place from **October 28-30, 2010**. The event will be held at the UQAT's First Peoples Pavilion on the Val-d'Or campus, Québec, Canada.

In **2010: Year of the Inuit**, such as proposed by Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami, the national Inuit organization in Canada, UQAT is proud to invite you to this 17th Inuit Studies Conference, whose theme is “**The Inuit and the Aboriginal World**”. Through this theme, our intention is to mobilize the knowledge accumulated up to now in the perspective of exploring the common preoccupations of the Inuit and the other Aboriginal peoples throughout the world, and particularly their neighbors, the First Nations of Canada and of Alaska, the Sami and other circumpolar peoples. We propose the following sub-themes: education (teacher training and academic success), issues related to languages and cultures, identity, the environment, climate changes, health, economic development and the development of tourism as well as public services and public policy.

Aboriginal peoples account for 370 million individuals on the planet. Of that number, 155,000 individuals make up the large family known as the Inuit people. Since the adoption of the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*, on September 13, 2007, many Aboriginal peoples have stepped up their protest and recognition activities in order to make themselves heard, as much within the applicable states, as on the international stage. Organizations which represent the Inuit (*Inuit Circumpolar Council, Greenland self-government, Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami, Makivik Corporation* and others) have a determining role to play in the future of these peoples and their interactions have local, territorial and international consequences. For example, the *Inuit Circumpolar Council (ICC)* recently adopted a declaration on the sovereignty of the Arctic (*Circumpolar Inuit Declaration on Arctic Sovereignty*, April 28, 2009). This declaration stipulates, among other things, that it is imperative that those who wish to use Inuit land first communicate with the Inuit, and respect their rights.

The participants to the 17th Inuit Studies Conference will explore the current leadership and the leadership of tomorrow, upon which the future of the Inuit will be built.

¹ DIALOG Network - Research and Knowledge Network Relating to Aboriginal Peoples



Proposals for presented papers or academic posters as well as seminars or workshops focusing on the suggested issues are welcome, although other dimensions may also be addressed. We particularly invite people interested in issues related to the environment, health, economic development and education, to submit their proposals.

We would like to see approximately half of the presentations prepared by local people (Inuit and other residents of the North).

CALL FOR PAPERS

Proposals for papers must be sent to conference coordinators by email or postal mail by **Friday, April 2, 2010**, at the latest. Proposals must be presented in French or in English, within 15 to 20 lines of text, with a specific title. Please indicate the following information:

- Title of the paper
- Name, title and role of the author(s)
- Home institution, department or division
- Complete contact information (including an email address)
- Text of the proposal

A Scientific Committee will evaluate the proposals and confirm their acceptance. The Committee's selection will be announced in **May 2010**.

Required audiovisual equipment (projector, screen and computer) will be available on-site.

CALL FOR SEMINARS OR WORKSHOPS

People interested in organizing a seminar or a workshop about a specific issue may also submit their proposals to organization committee of the Conference, by email or by postal mail, before **Friday, April 2, 2010**. Individuals making such proposals will be responsible for the planning, organization and presentation of the activity. They will be able to rely on the organization committee's support for this purpose.

The following information must be sent to the organizers for approval by the Scientific Committee:

- Title of the activity
- Name, title and role of the individuals involved in the activity
- Home institution, department or division
- Complete contact information for the person in charge of the seminar or workshop (including an email address)
- Summary of the theme and sequence of the activity (20 to 50 lines)



Proposals may be presented in **English** or in **French**. Seminars and workshops will occur in French, in English, or in both languages, according to the methods established by the person in charge of the workshop or seminar. Note that no simultaneous translation services have been planned by conference organizers for these activities. Required audiovisual equipment (projector, screen and computer) will be available on-site.

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CALL FOR ACADEMIC POSTERS

The deadline for proposals for academic posters is **Friday, September 24, 2010**.

Posters must be printed on standard paper and must comply with the following format:

Height: 36 inches

Width: 42 inches

Maximum of one poster board per proposal.

MATERIAL ASPECTS

Conference attendees will be responsible for their own travel and accommodation expenses. The registration fee for the conference is **CAD \$275.00**. Graduate and post-graduate students whose proposals are selected will pay a reduced rate of **CAD \$150.00**. These fees include all lunches, refreshment breaks and the banquet.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Submission of proposals for papers:

April 2, 2010

Notification of the Scientific Committee's selections:

May 2010

Publication of the preliminary Conference program and start of Conference registration:

August 2010



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