



Quebec Association  
for Adult Learning  
L'Association québécoise  
pour l'éducation des adultes

## **Transformation Through Lifelong Learning: A Path To Change**

Conference Announcement and Call for Presentations

Saturday March 21, 2009  
Concordia University (*Downtown Campus*)  
Montreal, Québec

### **The Situation**

Change can be intimidating to both an individual as well as an entire community. Many of the English-speaking communities of Québec are at a crossroads, faced with the need to change in order to meet the demands of contemporary society. These individuals and communities seek means of sustainability, professional development and a sense of inclusion. The Quebec Association for Adult Learning (QAAL) is proud to host the first annual conference dedicated to bringing these individuals and community leaders together to provide an opportunity to share experiences and exchange information. Although the conference will be in English, we welcome presentations and participation by francophone communities.

### **The Goal**

- To fill the void of the opportunity for all those associated with adult learning to exchange information (on an annual basis)
- To provide an opportunity for professional development to adult facilitators who otherwise would not have access to such a forum
- To present information on educational and training resources which will help community development
- To develop strategies for the future which will have a positive impact on our communities and maximize the use of available resources

The Quebec Association for Adult Learning (QAAL) is a not-for-profit English-language association that supports those who support adult learners. Our mission is to advocate for a culture of lifelong learning, raise public awareness of adult learning issues, facilitate the exchange of information and resources and bring together everyone for whom a learning society is a shared ideal.

### **Suggested Topics**

We welcome presentations from community leaders and all involved in adult learning. Some suggested topics are:

Issues related to the Vocational Training sector  
Distance Education Opportunities  
Classroom Management Techniques  
Collaboration between Communities  
Literacy

Health Issues for Adult Learners  
Understanding Cultural Diversity  
Living with Change  
Strategic Planning for Communities  
Training Opportunities

### **Your Submission**

Please send your presentation submission by mail, email or fax that includes the following details:

- Your name, address, telephone, fax, e-mail address and organization affiliation
- Names of any co-presenters with their respective affiliations
- Title of your presentation
- Format of your presentation (workshop, panel, etc)
- Summary description of your presentation (maximum 200 words – this will appear in the conference program booklet)
- Need for any audio-visual equipment

Please send all proposals to:

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### **Submission Deadline December 15, 2008**

You will be notified by February 2, 2009 regarding the status of your proposal. Program planners reserve the right to solicit additional presentations to those submitted in order to build a balanced and appropriate conference program.

### **Registration Fees**

Conference fees are \$50 for non-QAAL members and \$35 for QAAL members. The conference fee includes a continental breakfast, lunch and afternoon coffee break.

### **Travel Subsidies**

A fund has been established for travel subsidies. Participants who live more than 100 km from Montreal are invited to apply.

### **For further information please contact the QAAL office:**

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