

What's New on the DRP

Easier, Faster, Better

A new "Simple Version" of The DFAIT Research Page (DRP) front end, and a new category called "HQ Info. Resources" has recently been created and designed for those who prefer less graphic intensive or graphic reliant home pages. The Simple Version features smaller icons for faster downloading and a neutral white background. It is designed to provide all the links, even if the Auto Load Images option in Netscape is turned off. Users should be aware, however, that, increasingly, sites on the Internet provide graphical image maps for navigational purposes with no alternatives.

Access to the streamlined DRP can be obtained from the main menu at <http://www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca/res> by clicking on "Simple Version."

Of Interest to Missions

With primarily personnel at missions in mind, we have added a new category called "HQ Info. Resources," that

provides information relating to Headquarters and the Ottawa-Hull region.

Wondering what housing is available when you return?

" The DRP is a useful way to launch into some Internet research. Info that enhances one's knowledge of a subject area can be found in minutes. Recently, via the DRP and the Internet, I got several good "hits" on trade-related investment measures or TRIMs. I used some of the search engines on the DRP handy list, scanned the results and copied longer pieces on disk to read later in my office or to send to colleagues. "

-Paul Henry
Services, Investment and Intellectual Property
Division (EEI)

Click on Ottawa Housing (MLS) and search for housing in your price range, area you want to live, etc. Need some health related information? Click on Family Health for links to very informative sites. Out of touch with what is going on in the Ottawa area? Several choices are available to keep you informed: Ottawa News Media, Ottawa on the Net and the Regional Municipality of

Ottawa-Carleton. Access those sites and you will know more than those who live here!

What else is new?

Other items of interest on the DRP include DFAIT Press Releases, Mission Home Pages and, soon to be developed, Employment.

If you find a site that you think should be included in DRP, please use the feedback mechanism associated with it or contact Clancy Coughlin (SXIS) via e-mail. Your comments and suggestions are also welcome.

Site of the month

LOKACE. If you are searching for French language sites, LOKACE is one of the better search engines. It is accessible through Search Tools in the DRP. The site was contributed by the LISO office on A-5.

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Search the Library online catalogue.