

- The Canadian Executive Services Organization (CESO) is sending volunteer consultants to Poland and Hungary. Retired business executives who speak the languages have been recruited from all across Canada.
- Canada has made a \$450,000 contribution to the newly established International Management Centre in Budapest. A Canadian academic, Julie Rowney of the University of Calgary, has been appointed dean of the management centre. The Centre is expected to play a pivotal role as Hungarian enterprises begin to operate in a market-based economy.
- An ambitious, grass-roots program called Education for Democracy to teach English to people in Czechoslovakia. Over 300 Canadian volunteers have paid their own expenses to work in 35 Czech and Slovak cities.
- A multi-faceted series of projects to assist the Polish Government's privatization program. These projects include seminars, on-the-job training, the provision of computers and suitable software, and the translation of Canadian business management books.
- The Canadian Co-operative Association will assist Poland in the restructuring of its co-operative sector, especially in the field of agriculture.
- A legal internship program for Hungary has been established by the Canadian Bar Association. Based on shared-funding by the federal government and the CBA, a three-month internship program will begin this fall.
- An investment seminar series concentrating on opportunities in Poland. Contribution to the production of a comprehensive guide to business opportunities in Poland. Similar guides and seminars are planned for other countries.

CAN WE HELP?

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