
to help out in the developing world, both to enable them to gain rich experience through international cooperation, and to assist those countries where the talent and energy of Canadian youth can make a difference.

The Government is committed to strengthening these partnerships and, to do so, undertakes the following commitments:

In consultation with Canadian partners the Government will:

- sharpen the development focus of private sector linkage programs, including the Canadian International Development Agency - INC (CIDA-INC), while ensuring greater coordination among DFAIT, CIDA, the EDC and other departments and agencies by holding regular project-by-project consultations on CIDA-INC activities;
- develop a framework for a renewed relationship between CIDA and Canadian voluntary organizations based on the principle of complementarity of action;
- expand the number and range of personnel exchanges between CIDA and its Canadian partners, especially NGOs;
- seek ways to ensure the effective participation of Canada's academic and professional communities in development assistance programs; and
- improve coordination among government departments at the federal, provincial and municipal levels.

With international partners the Government will promote reform that helps to:

- better integrate objectives such as respect for human rights, poverty reduction, social and gender equity, and environment into the work of multilateral institutions;
- improve coordination among multilateral institutions;
- increase accountability and transparency; and
- improve developmental and cost effectiveness.

With developing country partners the Government will:

- work with developing countries and their people to help them participate more fully in the international system and global economy; and