

result of the Initiative were a plan of action, little progress would be achieved. So, I also want you to make recommendations about monitoring our progress towards identified goals -- by both the private and public sectors. Should this be an on-going process? If so, how should it be managed? For example, should an independent competitiveness council be established to set priorities and advise governments and the private sector on policies?

And finally, let me repeat the obvious. Many reports -- Porter, Kodak, the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, the federal governments' Papers on Learning and Competitiveness -- all come to the same conclusion. It is critical to the maintenance of our standard of living that we change our attitudes and policies in Canada to meet the global challenges more effectively. In many cases, the old mindsets are still in place -- in management, in labour, in government, in the education system, and in public forums.

In some ways, changing these attitudes is our biggest challenge. Let's use the Prosperity Initiative to ask the probing questions and to look at all our experience for appropriate solutions. Indeed, the very process of finding answers to the questions I have suggested today will reshape and continue shaping Canada's economic success for the next decade and beyond. The era of the quick-fix approach is behind us.

The global challenge is a race without a finish line. Let's show that we have the strength and qualities to be a leader in that race.