



Project Generation

The Centre responds to three sources for project generation: the Minister of Foreign Affairs and his Advisory Board, the Department, and the public.

Minister's Advisory Board (1996-1997)

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The Minister's Advisory Board identifies strategic and emerging foreign policy issues for the attention of the Minister and, subject to the Minister's approval, for public contributions to policy ideas and options. The Centre undertakes projects with the public (policy options papers, roundtables, conferences, expert reports) to address those issues.

The Advisory Board met three times (in Ottawa, Vancouver and Montreal), and recommended attention to Bosnia, NATO enlargement, child labour, international communications issues and discussed with the Minister public contributions to Arctic Council issues.

The Board approved the criteria for the John Holmes Fund projects, endorsed the cross-Canada, community based organization of the National Forum and discussed international dimensions of federalism.

It also recommended attention to Peacebuilding, APEC (NGO and human rights issues) and Canada-US relations (cultural sovereignty).

Projects which respond directly to the Board's advice to the Minister include:

- NATO Enlargement (Laval and UBC)
- Bosnia Beyond the Elections (Peacebuilding Committee)
- Child Labour Roundtable and Marquis-Pueblito projects
- Internet, Cyberdiplomacy, Hate-Pornography and "Information Edge" projects
- International Federalism Report
- Peacebuilding projects (Bosnia, Africa, White Helmets, Yugoslavia Lessons, Disabilities, Young Ambassadors, Criminal Justice, Women in Peacebuilding, Nigeria, Middle East Security, Guatemala Peace, Multiculture in East Europe)
- Asia-Pacific Roundtables (Business and Human Rights, Heritage Rights, Indigenous Peoples, Sustainable Development, Free Media)
- Canada-US culture and sovereignty issues for high schools
- Inuit Circumpolar Conference, Pauktutit Inuit Womens Association and five other projects with Ambassador Mary Simon for Arctic Council research and policy options

(please see project charts for more details)

