

Working together to promote international partnership

"The Conference on the Non-Proliferation and Disarmament Co-operation Initiative hosted by the European Commission in Brussels under EU, US and Canadian Chairmanship also furthered the aims of the Global Partnership by facilitating information exchange, outreach to other countries and co-ordination of projects."

—Global Partnership Against the Spread of Weapons and Materials of Mass Destruction, G8 Senior Officials Group Annual Report, 2003.

Building the Team

In September 2002, the Government of Canada established a separate Global Partnership Bureau within the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade (DFAIT) with specific responsibility for Canada's Global Partnership Program. Having a team dedicated to project development, coordination and implementation helped ensure that Canada could move quickly in launching projects and that funds would be used appropriately to meet the goals set at Kananaskis.

The Global Partnership Bureau consists of 30 staff. It incorporates technical expertise in all of the *Global Partnership's* priority areas as well as sector-relevant experience in non-proliferation areas. In addition, there is an office at the Canadian Embassy in Moscow, consisting of four staff members (including two locally engaged staff) to deal directly with the Russian government and *Global Partnership* stakeholders.



Global Partnership Program Bureau Team 2005

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