

responsive to the pluralistic expression of the needs and interests of all major groups in Canadian society.

The true contribution of major groups to the resolution of sustainability issues will ultimately be measured by their influence on decisions and actions. Taking a broader perspective, that contribution will also depend on the ability of major groups and their organizations to work cooperatively with other sectors of society. To achieve this goal, groups will need to be more effective in sharing experiences, lessons, and best practices both within and between sectors. The new communication channels opened by Canada's presence on the information highway should facilitate the process of sharing and learning experiences and best practices.