

CANADIAN STUDIES IN THE NETHERLANDS

The Association for Canadian Studies in The Netherlands and the European Task Force:

- The Association for Canadian Studies in the Netherlands, under the directorship of Dr. Hillig van't Land, currently boasts 160 members. Its total budget is \$102,800, including a grant from FAIT of \$27,000.
- In response to the increasing momentum towards unification in Europe, Dutch Canadianists have taken a particularly European outlook in their approach to Canadian Studies, focussing on policy topics in Canada and their parallels in Europe.

A pan-European working group called the European Task Force (ETF) on Canadian Studies, was established in October 1990, under the leadership of Dr. Cornelius Remie, immediate past-president of the Association for Canadian Studies in the Netherlands. Its mandate is the promotion of communication, teaching and research in the field of Canadian Studies on a European scale. Its main priorities are the promotion of teaching and the development of teaching materials in Canadian Studies, the organization of scholarly activities and public relations. It has organized two very successful European Graduate Student Seminars in Canadian Studies. A third such seminar is currently being planned, and the ETF is also involved in setting up a joint Canadian-European Research Project on issues related to Immigration and Refugees.

Groningen Centre for Canadian Studies:

- The University of Groningen is home to a Canadian Studies centre which receives an annual grant of approximately \$8,000 from FAIT.

Canadian Studies Fellowships and Scholarships:

- Last year, Canada awarded to Dutch citizens one fellowship for faculty research and two scholarships for graduate students in Canadian Studies. No fellowships were awarded for faculty enrichment, as no suitable applications were received.

Canadian Studies Library Support Grants:

- The Government of Canada has given \$2,000 in outright grants for library support to two Dutch universities.