

Both these courses suggest opportunities for participation by Canadians, their government, non-governmental organizations, and business. Either might give useful direction to Canadian foreign policy.

Every Canadian has an interest in these questions, in shaping the public policies and private activities that constitute Canada's relationships with Asia-Pacific. The discussion has just begun. The answers are still to be decided. Through the 1997 National Forum on Canada's International Relations, Canadians are invited to have a say in making the country's foreign policy.

In the coming months, participants in the National Forum will be gathering in sessions across Canada, bringing their own viewpoints and distinctive regional perspectives to questions of Asia-Pacific relations. By supporting the Forum and in other activities, the Canadian Centre for Foreign Policy Development is pursuing its mandate to inform the public, to enhance policy-development capacity among Canadians, and to engage Canadians more effectively in the making of foreign policy.

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