

Plans for 2003-04 to 2006-07

TCI partners will continue to identify opportunities for working together to engage partners through an active campaign aimed at such organizations as Aboriginal business service centres, Chambers of Commerce, trade associations targeting youth and women and educational institutions.

The **Aboriginal International Business Development Committee** will continue to promote and facilitate successful export practices among Aboriginal entrepreneurs through support for and participation in such activities as the World Summit of Indigenous Entrepreneurs, the Council for the Advancement of Native Development Officers National Conference, Nunavut Trade Show, the Nunavut Arts Festival 2003 and National Aboriginal Day.

Women Entrepreneurs

TCI products and services will be actively promoted at such key events as Business Beyond the Box: A Women's Enterprise Society of BC-hosted Virtual Conference, the Global Summit of Women 2003, the Organization for Women in International Trade, the Atlantic Women in Business Conference and a Global Banking Alliance for Women event called *Women Trading Globally*.

Youth Entrepreneurs

A number of trade events targeting youth are planned, including the 6th National Métis Youth Conference (Ottawa), the Global Youth Summit (Calgary), the International Council for Small Business Development 48th World Conference (Ireland), the Canadian Council for Small Business and Entrepreneurship Annual Event (Vancouver) and an APEC – Young Leaders Forum. As well, export and outreach sessions are planned for Youth Employment Services, Young Entrepreneurs from Quebec, Junior Team Canada and at over 20 universities and colleges across Canada.

A Young Entrepreneurs web site is in the planning stages and will include a calendar of events, success stories of young entrepreneurs, news releases and links to other related web resources.

A NEBS Trade Mission for young entrepreneurs in the cultural industries is also planned.