



Education Alliance for a Sustainable Ontario



Upcoming Conferences & Events

Faculty of Continuing Studies at UBC is hosting a [Summer Institute on Sustainability](#) in Vancouver (July 20-25). It is an intensive professional development program targeted to administrators in corporations, local and provincial governments, and universities and colleges.

LEAD Canada, the Canadian affiliate of Leadership for Environment and Development International is offering a [professional development program in sustainable development in Toronto](#) (August 10-15)

The Canadian Network for Environmental Education and Communication (EECOM), is having [their 2008 conference](#) in Gros Morne (September 25-28)

Manitoba Education for Sustainable Development Working Group is hosting an [International Conference on ESD](#) in Winnipeg (November 26-28)

Attached to this newsletter:
 Minutes from June 5th meeting
 Climate Change Education Task Group Proposal
 Sustainability & Health Education Task Group Proposal

EASO in action

A Climate Change Education Task Group was proposed at our last meeting. It has been initiated to help shape practice around climate change education by helping to guide the development and implementation of relevant learning programs.

Health & Sustainability Education Task Group was also proposed at our last meeting. This group has been formed to build on EASO's involvement in the Health and Physical Education curriculum policy review to establish a forum to advance Health and Sustainability education policy. The aim is to bring together those with expertise in Health Education to identify what essential understanding citizens need in order to make good decisions related to health.

Nonformal / informal education subcommittee is currently discussing plans to meet with a representative from the Climate Change Secretariat, recently appointed by Dalton McGuinty in March. To find out more about the Climate change secretariat in Ontario please read [this article](#). Here is [Ontario's Climate Action Plan](#).

BEAN has produced a final implementation plan for the Ontario Biodiversity Strategy. It is a substantial plan which will set the tone for biodiversity education and awareness efforts for the next three years.

BEAN is engaged with the OTF and the Ministry of Education in the development and delivery of up to six French/English summer workshops (part of 'Camp OTF').

BEAN developed and distributed close to 10,000 International Day for Biological Diversity (May 22) packages to a number of delivery agents (e.g. Conservation Areas, Ontario Parks, RBG).

EASO is putting the finishing touches on an executive summary of our organization, which will soon be ready for distribution and available on the EASO website.

Side note: There are several good articles on strategic thinking and building alliances on the [Canadian Environmental Grantmakers Network](#).

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