

## WASAN ISLAND – AGENDA 2019

24. – 27. May 2019

**Reconciliation Economy and Opening**

A variety of stakeholders are brought together to do strategic planning around the structure and design of Indigenous social innovation projects. Elders are guiding us through setting the place with ceremony and teachings.

*In collaboration with the McConnell Foundation*

29. May – 1. June 2019

**Nature at the Center of Learning**

How can we place Nature at the centre of learning for children in Canada? This question will guide a three day conference of inquiry and play-based learning and movement building, drawing upon the leadership group of Canada's child and nature alliance and offering new opportunities for reflection and renewal.

*In collaboration with Community Foundations of Canada and Child & Nature Alliance of Canada*

9. – 12. June 2019

**Philanthropy and the Private Sector**

A practice-led retreat exploring the relationship, tensions and opportunities between philanthropy and the private sector in advancing social innovation. In collaboration with the Robert Bosch Stiftung.

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**Building a Smart and Caring Muskoka**

Based on the Muskoka Vital Signs Report, we will prepare the ground for improvements around areas such as youth engagement, poverty, food security and reconciliation.

*In collaboration with Muskoka Community Foundation*

15. – 18. June 2019

**Building Expressive Organizations**

This gathering is exploring how we can build Expressive Organizations; aligning the culture, structure and practices of our organizations with the change that we want to see in the world.

*In collaboration with the McConnell Foundation and Organization Unbound*

25. – 28. June 2019

**Public Interest Journalism**

Journalism is changing rapidly. Legacy media are struggling to survive, and newer digital media are looking to make a bigger impact. Recognizing that journalism is a cornerstone of a healthy democracy, we share best practices and consider collaboration opportunities.

*In collaboration with the McConnell Foundation*

9. – 12. July 2019

**The Clean Economy Fund**

This funders collaborative is designed to maximize and leverage philanthropic giving in support of a clean, low carbon, resilient and prosperous Canadian economy. The partners will gather to further their work around a long term strategy and ways of working collaboratively.

*In collaboration with the McConnell Foundation*

15. – 18. July 2019

**Participatory City Camp**

Learning from the Participatory City model in London UK, we articulate how to build, scale and fund a possible national initiative for Canada. Multisectoral teams from Halifax and Montreal will begin designing a Participatory City social R&D phase for their respective cities.

*In collaboration with the McConnell Foundation*

19. – 22. July 2019

**Youth Leadership and Indigenous Initiatives**

Indigenous youth leaders come together to reflect and share stories on the reconciliation movement over the past five years and do some strategic dreaming into their future goals for this work.

*In collaboration with the McConnell Foundation and the 4Rs Youth Movement.*

24. – 26. July 2019

**Center for Social Innovation: CSI Board Meeting**

*In collaboration with Center for Social Innovation, Toronto*

30. July – 3. August 2019

**Future Forward: A Trilateral Exchange in Community Philanthropy**

Emerging leaders from community foundations across Canada, Germany and Russia will gather to build skills and knowledge, strengthen their leadership potential and explore how they as individuals and organizations can further contribute to the global movement of community philanthropy.

*In collaboration with Community Foundations of Canada and Germany and the Robert Bosch Stiftung*

6. – 9. August 2019

**Teacher's Wellbeing**

A group of Canadian and German experts discusses and reviews approaches and projects on teacher's training and wellbeing.

*In collaboration with the Helga Breuninger Foundation, the McConnell Foundation and the Leadership Foundation for Professional Learning and Global Education*

11. – 14. August 2019

### **B Lab Retreat**

B Lab is serving a global movement of people using business as a force for good. This retreat connects participants from the Canadian network.

*In collaboration with BMW Foundation Herbert Quandt*

16. – 19. August 2019

### **Digital Threats to Democracy**

Our public sphere is under threat and we urgently need to advance systemic strategies for digital civic literacy at the policy and grassroots level. This session will identify opportunities for collaboration and actions to deepen civic literacy and foster digitally enabled civic engagement.

*In collaboration with the McConnell Foundation*

21. – 24. August 2019

### **Newcomers to the Community Foundation Movement**

The community foundation movement continues to grow and evolve. This gathering invites staff who are new to community foundations from across our movement to come together to connect, be energized and learn more about our work.

*In collaboration with Community Foundations of Canada*

25. – 28. August 2019

### **Unlocking the Wasan Futures**

Wasan Partners are coming together to explore ways to sustain our intentions and operations in love for “our” island.

*In collaboration with Community Foundations of Canada and the McConnell Foundation and CKX*

3. – 6. September 2019

### **Social Innovation Networks and Network in Canada**

In collaboration with the Center for Social Innovation Toronto (CSI) and a range of partners we develop strategies on how to build the Social Innovation Network for Canada.

*In collaboration with The J.W. McConnell Family Foundation and the Center for Social Innovation, Toronto*

8. – 11. September 2019

### **Team Community Foundations of Canada**

The team of CFC will reflect on their organizational journey so far; renewing their energy, plans and focus, and reboot themselves both personally and professionally for the journey that lies ahead.

*In collaboration with Community Foundations of Canada*

12. – 15. September 2018

### **Risk, Legitimacy and Philanthropy**

In an era where the legitimacy and authenticity of foundations is being questioned, we will explore how the philanthropic sector can take more risks, and build current questions around legitimacy and accountability into their risk and governance structures.

*In collaboration with the McConnell Foundation*

17. – 20. September 2019

### **Social Cohesion and the Role for Philanthropy**

This practical and global conversation will dive deeper into the different roles philanthropy can or should play in promoting social cohesion. We will explore whether the sector should be more political, and what the practical implications for taking such steps can be.

*In collaboration with the Robert Bosch Stiftung*

23. – 27. September 2019

### **Value of Connecting**

Strategists and executives from foundations around the world that are leaders in building and leveraging networks for social impact are exploring ways to amplify their future impact.

*In collaboration with the Robert Bosch Stiftung, the Kauffmann Foundation, hosted by iac Berlin*

30. September – 2. October 2019

### **Investment Readiness Program**

Key partners across Canada are supporting growth and flourishing in Canada's social enterprise landscape. This gathering will bring together a range of actors to strategize, co-design programming, and plan evaluation and communication activities.

*In collaboration with Community Foundations of Canada and the Federal Government*

3. – 4. October 2019

### **Civic Capital Lab**

This Lab brings together key partners to develop the next generation of system financing models to help steer capital toward current and long-term challenges: housing affordability, public infrastructure gaps, and the erosion of the natural systems on which we all rely.

*In collaboration with Community Foundations of Canada and the Federal Government*

6. – 9. October 2019

### **Equitable and Sustainable Food for All**

A cross sectoral group will come together to deepen understanding and build 'stretch collaborations' to improve sustainability (social, environmental and economic) impacts of food.

*In collaboration with the McConnell Foundation and Nourish*