

INVITATION FOR THE MEDIAS

World Leisure Congress 2008 Leisure Can Change the World!

Montreal, October 2nd, 2008 - The media is invited to attend the 10th World Leisure Congress organized by the Conseil québécois du loisir and its numerous partners for the World Leisure Organisation. On the menu: the condition of leisure throughout the world, development through leisure, social integration through leisure, leisure infrastructures that create social ties and contribute to the quality of life...

WHAT World Leisure Congress

WHEN From Monday to Friday, October 6 to 10

WHERE Québec City's Convention Centre

Each day will begin with conferences and round tables:

- Monday 6, from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM Panel of the continents How do communities take advantage of leisure for their social, cultural, economic and environmental development?
- Tuesday 7, from 9 AM to 12:30 PM Leisure: plurality, identity, solidarity

How to factor in plurality and diversity while preserving identity and solidarity? Speakers: Gaétan Morency, from the Cirque du Soleil, and Scott Haldane, from Greater Toronto's YMCA.

- Wednesday 8, from 9 AM to 11 AM Leisure: public and private space In the broad sense of its meaning, does leisure promote individualism or is it the creator of social and community ties? Speaker: Mr. Jean-Paul L'Allier, Honorary Chairman of the congress
- Thursday 9, from 9 AM to 11 AM Leisure: prevention, health and quality of life

How and under what conditions can communities benefit from leisure's strengths with respect to prevention, health and quality of life? Speakers: Suzanne Lareau, President and General Manager of Vélo Québec, Dr. Alain Poirier (MSSS), Norma Stumbo, Ph. D., Midwest Alliance in Science, Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).

- Friday 10, from 10 AM to 12:30 PM Summary

Proclamation of the "Québec Declaration", closing ceremonies and passing on of the flag to representatives of ChunCheon, Korea, host city of the World Leisure Congress 2010.

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Afternoons will be dedicated to some 450 presentations during more that 200 workshops. (Please refer to the program at www.loisirquebec2008.com to make your selection)

The event will also host an important trade show. More than 2,500 delegates from 40 countries will participate in this great event. What about you?

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