

**Leveraging our Global Connectivity:
Exploring the role of diversity in
Canadian foreign policy**

FINAL REPORT

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Summary

On June 3, 2008, at the invitation of Canada's World and The Mosaic Institute, nine participants, and two hosts Alidad Mafinezam and Shauna Sylvester, came together to share ideas and explore the role of diversity in leveraging our global connectivity and in influencing Canadian foreign policy. This was the second roundtable on this theme hosted in Toronto. What follows is a summary of th

- To contribute to the larger Canada's World Citizens Policy Agenda;
- To create and build upon existing relationships and networks between community leaders, to generate further understanding

international image as “home to the world”. But a disconnect exists between what is imagined in Canada, and what actually transpires. For instance, there was a feeling among many participants that our traditional role as the humanitarian and peacekeeper was fast fading, and that ou

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- Build stronger relationships wi

IV. Further questions

Many questions were brought forth during the roundtable dialogue- unfortunately, with only two hours our group only touched on some of the larger issues. Below ar

Appendix A

There are many ways for you to continue contributing to the important work of engaging citizens in rewriting the story of Canada in the world.

Some ideas include:

A. Host a dialogue

Join Canada's World in making change happen, first by rethinking our role in the world. What vision of Canada would you like to see reflected in our relationships with other countries? Get your friends and community together to give us your input as we build an agenda for changing our role in the world.

This could be

APPENDIX B

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