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HUMAN RIGHTS IN DIVERSE SOCIETIES

International Forum for Young Leaders

Call for Applications

The Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism proudly announces *The Global Conference on Human Rights in Diverse Societies*, to be held at McGill University in Montreal, Canada, October 7th to 9th, 2010. This will be the second Echenberg Family Conference on Human Rights. Following the precedent established by the first Conference, a Young Leaders Forum will be organized in conjunction with the event.

The first conference, *The Global Conference on the Prevention of Genocide*, drew participation from around the world, successfully drawing attention to a tragically recurring phenomenon and fostering an in-depth understanding of its intricate mechanisms.

This conference, organized in collaboration with the McGill Faculty of Law, will bring together diverse scholars, judges, politicians, policy makers, journalists, students and members of civil society in an effort to understand how to establish and evaluate multiculturalism policies that will help diminish sources of cultural conflict and foster increased participation of all members of society at all levels.

To explore the unique contribution that young professionals and scholars can make to the promotion of multiculturalism and human rights, both in their own countries and in the international arena, the Centre will host the second *International Forum for Young Leaders*, from Monday October 4th to Thursday October 7th. The Forum will consist of a series of workshops, roundtable discussions, and cultural events aimed at engaging with the spectrum of policy issues that ethno-cultural diversity raises.

The Forum provides a unique networking opportunity for like-minded young leaders from around the world, allowing them to engage with each other and to meet with some of the Conference's distinguished speakers. The young leaders will engage in scholarly debate on key issues surrounding multiculturalism, including: innovative legal and institutional responses; diversity, individual rights and minority rights; indigenous peoples as drivers of multicultural policies; media discourse; education as antidote to hatred; religious diversity; security threats and identity discourses; and discrimination in the labour market and diversity in the business community.

The McGill Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism will cover all costs, including travel expenses to and from Montreal, accommodation from **Monday October 4th to Saturday October 9th** and conference fees.

The Centre encourages those who can contribute to, as well as benefit from, this unique experience to apply.



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Applicants must:

- Be under 30 years of age as of December 1st, 2010
- Hold a social science degree – in law, political science, economics, sociology, history, cultural studies, anthropology or any other relevant field – preferably at a graduate level
- Have relevant field experience
- Show a demonstrated commitment to the area of human rights and/or social justice
- Show a demonstrated commitment to work independently
- Be able to communicate in English

Proof of age:

- Applicants must submit proof that they will be under 30 years of age as of December 01st, 2010
- Acceptable forms of proof include copies of passports, birth certificates, or national identity cards
- Once accepted, those applicants who submitted a birth certificate or national identity card as proof of age will also be required to send a copy of their valid passport

To apply:

1. Download, complete, and email the application form to youngleaders.law@mcgill.ca
2. Mail your proof of age and two letters of recommendation to
International Forum for Young Leaders (IFYL)
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The application form and forms for the letters of recommendation are available at: www.mcgill.ca/humanrights/echenberg

Applications, **including all documentation**, to the International Forum for Young Leaders must be received by the Centre by **midnight** (Eastern Standard Time) **February 28th, 2010**

Inquiries can be sent to: youngleaders.law@mcgill.ca

For more information on the Echenberg Family Conferences on Human Rights or *The Global Conference on the Prevention of Genocide*, please visit: <http://efchr.mcgill.ca>



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