Why do global partnerships matter?

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Who are we?

We are at the forefront of educational change.

- Colleges and Institutes Canada is the national and international voice of Canada’s largest post-secondary education network.
An incredible reach – and potential.

CICan member colleges and institutes across Canada:

- Over 95% of Canadians and over 86% of Indigenous people in Canada live within 50km or a college or institute location.
We bring Canadian education to the world.

How do we build partnerships?

• By linking Canadian institutions with partners around the world, we help transform post-secondary education and connect learners with employment-based training and global skills they need to succeed.
Education for Employment.

- Our EFE projects are active in 15 countries across Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean.
- Each project contributes to all 17 of the SDGs by empowering all people to achieve their full potential through education.
For example:

Our Education for Employment program in the Pacific Alliance.

1. Supporting sustainable development and skills for employment in the extractive sector.
2. A five-year $16M program funded by the Government of Canada through Global Affairs Canada.
Taking action on climate action and the sustainable development goals.

The Sustainable Development Goals give us a model for collaboration to create positive change.

- 4 (Quality education)
- 5 (Gender equality)
- 8 (Decent work and economic growth)
- 10 (Reduced inequalities)
- 13 (Climate action)
We are taking international education and development in a bold new direction.

Our new three-year International Strategy is based on three pillars:

1. Futureproofing Canada;
2. Bringing the world to Canada;
3. Taking Canada to the world.
Global Opportunities for Students:

- Global Skills Opportunity
- Canada International Development Scholarships 2030
- International student recruitment
The World Federation of Colleges and Polytechnics (WFCP)

CICan also houses the secretariat of the World Federation of Colleges and Polytechnics.

• **WFCP provides leadership in delivering workforce education for our global economy.**

• **NEW:** The Global Statement on the Future of Professional Technical Education and Training.
WFCP Affinity Groups:

- Applied Research and Innovation
- Sustainable Development Goals
- Cyber and Data Security and Social Engineering
- Construction
- Global Citizenship
- Teacher Professional Development
- Strategic Leadership
- Indigenous Education
Save the date!

WFCP 2023
Collective Intelligence
April 23-25, 2023
Montreal, Quebec Canada
Key takeaways:

1. Canada’s colleges and institutes have a proven record for excellence in global partnership.
2. Our EFE projects are active in 15 countries across Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean.
3. The Sustainable Development Goals give us a model for collaboration to create positive change.
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