

## WHAT IS IT?

The **United Nations Association in Canada** (UNA-Canada) and the **British Council Canada** are pleased to share with you the launch of [Active Citizens Social Enterprise](#) (ACSE) in communities across the country. This is your chance to join 150 young leaders from across Canada to learn how to use the ACSE framework to address the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in your local community.

Active Citizens Social Enterprise is a social leadership training programme that promotes community led development through a social enterprise lens. ACSE training helps participants to become more self-aware and confident as leaders, strengthen their capacity to communicate, and build strong relationships with others.

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

If you are a young leader (aged 18 – 35) living in Canada, if you are committed to and passionate about social entrepreneurship, community-engagement, social development, if you have a passion for the SDGs and an idea for how you could address one of the Sustainable Development Goals in your community, then we want you!

## WHAT WILL YOU DO?

If you win a place on the ACSE programme, you will take part in a 3-day ACSE immersive training session over a weekend in January or February 2017. Training sessions will take place in six cities across Canada (Vancouver, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal and Halifax). Travel bursaries will be available if you do not live in one of those cities.

Armed with the ACSE framework, you will return to your community after the training to implement your proposed SDG intervention throughout 2017, with the support of peer or business mentors.

You could also have the opportunity to be chosen among other participants to be part of the programme's Innovation Summit in Ottawa in March 2017 (10 participants will be chosen by a multidisciplinary Selection Committee). The Summit will showcase the youth's passion and commitment for social enterprise while convening high level representatives from public and private sectors, innovation-focused enterprises and start-ups, social enterprises of all sizes, British Council and UN representatives. This Summit will also provide opportunity for partnership development, to showcase social enterprise, ideas and innovation.

## PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

### *December 2016*

- Official launch of ACSE
- Youth recruitment and selection of participants for the ACSE training sessions

### *January and February 2017*

- Training sessions to take place in Vancouver, Edmonton, Montréal, Toronto, Halifax, and Winnipeg
- ACSE participants engaged in the Canadian International Model United Nations 2017
- Selection of candidates for the Innovation Summit

### *March 2017*

- Ottawa Innovation Summit

## HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

You can apply for completing the application form, or share this opportunity with your network. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until end of February 2017.

Apply at: <https://unpp.wufoo.eu/forms/active-citizens-social-enterprise/>