

Preparing for the day after treaty



A conference hosted by the BC Treaty Commission In partnership with the Nisga'a Lisims Government Vancouver Hyatt Regency November 14-16, 2007

First Nations from across Canada will share their experiences with modern-day treaty making and lessons learned in achieving and implementing these agreements at a conference in Vancouver this fall.

The conference, *Preparing for the day after treaty*, is being hosted by the BC Treaty Commission, in partnership with Nisga'a Lisims Government. The content will be of special interest to First Nations currently negotiating treaties or considering their options.

Highlights of the conference include a panel debate addressing the question "Are treaties the answer?" and a panel discussion entitled "If we knew then what we know now...". Several workshops round out the conference agenda including sessions on effective negotiating and ratification best practices.

The conference begins with a dinner evening Wednesday, November 14, followed by a full day of learning, discussion and debate on Thursday, November 15 and a half-day on Friday, November 16. All events and activities take place at the Hyatt Regency Vancouver, 655 Burrard Street.

Seating is limited so register early and get a reduced conference rate! Confirm your registration by October 19 and pay only \$300. Registration after October 19 will be \$500. Please note the Treaty Commission can only accept cheques. Please contact Nancy Olding at 604-482-9223 for registration and further information.

Please take advantage of this unique opportunity for learning, discussion and debate on the issues facing First Nations. The Treaty Commission hopes these discussions will answer important questions about treaty making and inform the ongoing debate on how issues of aboriginal rights and title can best be addressed.