ANSER 2ND ANNUAL CONFERENCE MAY 26 – 29, 2009 Carleton University, Ottawa, ON

The ANSER 2009 Conference brings together leading academic researchers, practitioners, consultants, policymakers and community organizations from Canada and internationally to discuss current and emergent issues, debates and challenges in the fields of civil society, social economy and nonprofit research and practice. Join us for what promises to be an engaging and provocative conference.

General schedule:

Tuesday, May 26, 2009 – Pre conference events		
	9:00 a.m.	Student Symposium– for more information contact Neil Nunn at neilnunn@uvic.ca
	7:00 p.m.	Opening Reception – sponsored by the Centre for Voluntary Sector Research and Development, Community Based Research Network of Ottawa, University of Ottawa Community Service Learning Program and the Canadian Alliance for Community Service-Learning.
Wednesday, May 27, 2009		
	9:00 a.m.	Plenary Session
	10:30 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions
	Noon	Lunch (free time)
	1:00 p.m.	Concurrent sessions
	2:30 p.m.	Break
	3:00 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions
	5:00 p.m.	Social Economy Tour and Progressive Dinner
		This tour will travel to different social economy businesses for different courses of the meal and to hear about different social economy enterprises in Ottawa. Cost: \$50.00 per person. Register at www.cvsrd.org/eng/se_registration.html
Thursday, May 28, 2009		
-	9:00 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions
	11:00 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions
	12:30	Lunch (free time)
	1:30 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions
	3:00 p.m.	Break
	3:30 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions
	6:30 p.m.	Reception & Banquet at LAGO restaurant. Cost. \$45.00 per person. Register at www.fedcan.ca/congress2009
Friday, May 29, 2009		
-	9:00 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions
	11:00 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions
	12:30	Lunch and ANSER AGM

Keynote speaker:

We are pleased to announce that the keynote speaker for the conference will be Michael Edwards. Edwards is a Distinguished Senior Fellow at Demos in New York, a Visiting Senior Scholar at New York University's Wagner School of Public Service, and a Visiting Senior Fellow at the Brooks World Poverty Institute at Manchester University in northern England. From 1999-2008 he was Director of the Governance and Civil Society Program at the Ford Foundation in New York. He has also served as a civil society specialist at the World Bank, Oxfam-GB, Save the Children-UK and other NGOs in Washington DC, London, Colombia, Zambia, Malawi, and India. Edwards has written extensively about NGOs, civil society and international cooperation. His 2003 book Civil Society is recognized as a leading text in the field, and his most recent book, Just Another Emperor? The Myths and Realities of Philanthrocapitalism, has sparked considerable debate about the role and value of nonprofits and NGOs in an ever-changing global economy

Program:

The draft conference program will be available mid-March. Check back at that time for more information

Registration

Delegates should register through the website of the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences (www.fedcan.ca/congress2009), which includes a reduction for early registration before March 31, 2009. The fees, posted on the website, include those for the Congress and the association. The Congress website also includes information on accommodation, discounts for travel, and local information.

About ANSER

We are a Canadian association for those who have an interest in research that pertains broadly to nonprofit organizations and the social economy. ANSER is working to:

- build a collaborative community of scholars and researchers; and
- develop a Canadian body of knowledge that encompasses such fields as community economic development, philanthropy, nonprofit management, volunteering, social and environmental accounting, government/voluntary sector relationships, social movements, citizen engagement, and civil society.

Our interests range from the theoretical to the applied. We have come together to promote the development and application of our knowledge for the benefit of Canadians and others in collaboration with those working in the nonprofit sector and the social economy.

Our vision for membership embraces a variety of scholarly fields including economics, history, law, business and management, education, psychology, political science, public administration and sociology.

ANSER is working to provide opportunities for members to share their knowledge and expertise, including an annual conference normally held with the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences. Our vision is to work collaboratively with other associations with complementary interests and goals.

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