OUR LANGUAGE RIGHTS CANADA CONFERENCE 2022







FEBRUARY 22, 2022 - AGENDA

9:00 a.m. Introduction and Land Acknowledgement

9:05 a.m. OPENING REMARKS: HON. PARM GILL, Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism

9:10 a.m. A MESSAGE FROM OUR SPONSOR: MCIS Language Solutions

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9:15- KEYNOTE SPEAKER: BRODIE FENLON

9:55 a.m. Executive Director and Editor-in-Chief, CBC News





9:55- FRIENDS AND ALLIES

10:00 a.m. GLOBAL COALITION FOR LANGUAGE RIGHTS



10:00-11:10 a.m.



PANEL I: A NEW WAVE OF ADVOCACY - GRASSROOTS PERSPECTIVES

MODERATOR: GRACE EAGAN, Access Alliance Multicultural Health and Community Services

PANEL: Saifullah Muhammad, Rohingya Centre of Canada; Martha Singh Jennings, The 519; Erika Chang, John Howard Society of York Region; Jeanie Godfrey, Town Of Banff

11:10- NFB SHORT DOCUMENTARY:

11:40 a.m. ÉLOGE DU CHIAC (English Subtitled)



11:40-11:45 a.m. 11:45 a.m.-12:00 p.m. TALK: LANGUAGE ADVOCACY THROUGH EXHIBITS

ELAINE GOLD, Canadian Language Museum



12:00-12:05 p.m. **VIDEO SEGMENT: CONTEXTUALIZING TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION**

12:05-1:15 p.m.



PANEL II: INDIGENOUS LANGUAGES IN CANADA AT A TURNING POINT

MODERATOR: IAN MARTIN, Glendon College, York University

PANEL: Andrea Bear Nicholas; Lorena Sekwan Fontaine (BA,LL.B., LL.M., Ph.D); Amos Key Jr., Woodland Centre; David Leitch (L.B., LL.M)

1:15-1:30 p.m. VIDEO SEGMENT: CONTEXTUALIZING BILINGUALITY

1:30- 1:35 Break

1:35-2:45 p.m.



PANEL III: MY MENTAL HEALTH IS MULTILINGUAL

MODERATOR: RANIA YOUNES, Immigrant Employment Council of BC

PANEL: Abrar Mechmechia, ABRAR Trauma and Mental Health Services, Jasmine Hawamdeh, Canadian Arab Institute; Ravina Anthony, Kids Help Phone; Lola Bendana, Ontario Council on Community Interpreting (OCCI)

2:45-2:50 p.m. VIDEO SEGMENT: CONTEXTUALIZING MENTAL HEALTH AND LANGUAGES

2:50-4:20 p.m.



PANEL IV: CANADA'S HIDDEN LANGUAGES

MODERATOR: CAYLAN MCMULLAN, Briconnect

PANEL: Cynthia Benoit, CB Linguistic Services;

Leah Riddell, SignAble Vi5ion

4:20-4:35 p.m. VIDEO SEGMENT: THE ENCHANTING MUSIC OF SIGN LANGUAGE | CHRISTINE SUN KIM

4:35-5:00 p.m.

CLOSING REMARKS: DOLY BEGUM, MPP - Scarborough Southwest



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