



**Sustainable Best Practices in Children and Youth Programs (Youth Leadership, Social Problems and Environment)**

**Meilleures pratiques durables dans les programmes pour les enfants et la jeunesse (jeune leadership, problèmes sociaux et environnement)**

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Montreal, May 15<sup>th</sup> 2008 – The Organization for the Protection of Children's Rights (O.P.C.R.) will be hosting its next International Summit: "Sustainable Best Practices in Children and Youth Programs." The Summit itself will be held on September 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> in Montreal (Quebec), Canada.

Many dignitaries, from around the world that have in-depth research knowledge in their respective fields of social/ human sciences, will attend the Summit. Furthermore, the Summit itself will act as a platform to exchange views on programs for children and youth that are evidence-based, highly promising or considered best practices.

During this event, the O.P.C.R. will highlight its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a provider of social services and upholder of children's rights around the world. Since its foundation in 1983, the Organization for the Protection of Children's Rights has organized activities, research projects and literature reviews dealing with a number of issues including the break-up of the family, divorce, juvenile delinquency, school drop-outs, family mediation, etc. Through its actions, the O.P.C.R. wants to provide the necessary tools to young people for their physical, psychological and spiritual development. With the support of its multifaceted team, the O.P.C.R. works towards raising children in a safe and equitable environment. To this day, over 15,000 underprivileged children have experienced great time at our Summer Camps, as well as our Christmas Shows.

In order to mark this significant milestone, we will be organizing a roast that will be held on September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Many dignitaries from politicians to key collaborators will be present at this event. A dinner will be served as we will look back at the the major events that shaped the O.P.C.R. in the past 25 years.

Come join us as we celebrate a quarter century milestone and be part of the worthy cause we have been so passionate about; the well being of our children.

**Riccardo Di Done**  
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