WELCOME TO 6 DEGREES ST. GALLEN

The Institute for Canadian Citizenship is proud to present 6 Degrees St. Gallen, in collaboration with the St. Gallen Symposium. Join us on May 5th for a full-day forum to discover, debate, and develop unique perspectives on the essential links between immigration, citizenship and inclusion, and the creation of innovative and robust economies in the 21st century.

At 6 Degrees St. Gallen, we’ll challenge the increasingly catastrophic assumption that immigrants are a negative drain on societies and economies, when in fact the opposite is the case. With the world of work changing so rapidly, mainstream societal attitudes toward diversity and inclusion are important bulwarks against social unrest and anxiety. Immigrants are innovators, taxpayers, and employers who make vital contributions to the communities in which they live—but only if they are both encouraged to do so and perceived as such.

6 Degrees drives a global conversation on citizenship and inclusion. The Canadian initiative includes an immersive annual three-day event in Toronto, as well as a series of one-day pop-ups across Canada and around the world. 6 Degrees is about connection, conversation, artistic representation, and the power that comes from bringing people together. It counters rising nativism and exclusion, and instead, invites everyone to find a place in our circle.

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SPEAKERS

The Right Honourable Adrienne Clarkson
26th Governor General of Canada

John Ralston Saul
President Emeritus PEN International

Zabeen Hirji,
Global Advisor, Future of Work
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Hadeel Ibrahim
Founding Executive Director
Mo Ibrahim Foundation

Peter Voser
Chairman
ABB Ltd.

More to come

About the Institute for Canadian Citizenship

Powered by a passionate and committed national network, the Institute for Canadian Citizenship (ICC) delivers programs and special projects that inspire Canadians to be inclusive, create opportunities to connect, and encourage active citizenship. Partnering with community volunteers and iconic cultural institutions, the ICC celebrates new Canadian citizens at more than 75 community citizenship ceremonies each year. The Cultural Access Pass is unique in the world, offering new citizens free access to more than 1400 cultural attractions during their first year of citizenship. Ideas & Insights is a leading source of research on citizenship and inclusion—social, cultural, political and economic. 6 Degrees extends the reach of the ICC’s work through a global public platform that explores inclusion and citizenship in the 21st century. The ICC is a national charity co-founded by the Right Honourable Adrienne Clarkson and John Ralston Saul.

About the St. Gallen Symposium

The St. Gallen Symposium is the world’s leading initiative for fostering a healthy and open dialogue between three generations of current and future leaders in business, politics, academia, and society. It is run by an independent committee of around 30 students from the University of St. Gallen. Each year since 1969, around 1,000 carefully selected participants from across cultures, disciplines, and generations representing 50 countries gather in St. Gallen to engage in stimulating debates on global issues that matter. The symposium has welcomed global luminaries, such as Lawrence D. Fink, Christine Lagarde, Jack Ma, Ratan Tata, Tidjane Thiam, and many more. This year, in its 48th edition (2–4 May 2018), the St.Gallen Symposium will be devoted to the theme “Beyond the end of work”.

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