

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS - YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE

Thematic plenary session - XIXe Sommet de la Francophonie de l'OIF

1. Context

New Brunswick, a member of the OIF (Organisation internationale de la Francophonie), is issuing a call for applications for two young Francophone leaders, who could potentially take part in roundtable discussions on youth employability at the XIX Francophonie Summit in Villers-Cotterêts (Paris) in October 2024.

The prominent place of youth is confirmed in the OIF's 2024-2027 programming, where it is listed as a priority stakeholder. The OIF is convinced that by bringing together the initiatives, ideas and perspectives of young people, it will be better prepared to meet the complex challenges of the years ahead.


As like the previous Summit, round tables of Heads of State and Government, ministers and other heads of delegation will be held simultaneously. For the first time, they will also welcome young Francophone leaders. The theme of the plenary session will be: **“Creating, innovating, and undertaking in French for youth employment”**.

2. Selection of candidates

New Brunswick will be able to nominate two young francophones between the ages of 25 and 35, **who will then be drawn from a pool of candidates from the other member governments**. The two New Brunswickers nominated to be drawn will be those who meet the following criteria:

Competence and knowledge criteria:

- i. Thematic expertise: in-depth knowledge in fields related to the Summit theme (Creating, innovating, and undertaking in French for youth employment).
- ii. Practical experience: at least 2 years' professional experience in fields related to the Summit's theme.



iii. Perfect command of French.

iv. Communication skills: French oral communication skills, including the ability to speak in public and participate in French debates.

Personal and ethical criteria:

v. Age: between 25 and 35.

vi. Motivation: personal motivation and keen interest in the Summit's themes, demonstrated through professional or academic career; motivation to contribute to the future of *La Francophonie*.

vii. Ethics and integrity: commitment to ethical values and conduct with integrity.

3. Submission of application:

Each candidate must submit an up-to-date Curriculum Vitae (CV), as well as a French video, of a maximum of three (3) minutes, explaining how their application meets the selection criteria indicated above (Thematic Expertise, Practical Experience, Communication Skills and Motivation).

Each applicant must also have proof of up-to-date travel documents (passport/visa) to be able to travel to Paris between October 1 and 7, 2024.

The complete application must be sent to Isabelle.Doucet2@gnb.ca before Monday August 19, 23:59 with the subject line: CANDIDATURE JEUNESSE NB OIF - NOM, PRÉNOM. Please include a contact email address and telephone number.

Successful applicants will be contacted by August 31, 2024. All travel expenses if one or two NB candidates are selected following the draw will be covered.