



2023 Annual Report

# Message from the Board Chair + President

The past year has been an exceptionally challenging one for Canada's international education sector—for current and prospective international students, for our member institutions, for Canada's wider international education community and for decision-makers at all levels of government.

From navigating geopolitical turbulence and economic uncertainty, to adapting to the evolving needs and expectations of our diverse Canadian and international student body and membership and contributing evidence to inform and focus public discourse on the value of international education, 2022 has both tested our resilience as Canada's national voice for international education and reaffirmed the continued relevance of our vision, values, and operating principles.

Connecting with our community has been paramount. The consensus across our community to embrace ethical leadership as the guiding principle for advancing international education in Canada has added both urgency and clarity to our forward path.

It is an approach that places people at the very heart of our work, recognizing that the strength of our sector lies in the connections we forge and the individuals we support. And it is a path that reaffirms our commitment to working together towards a common purpose.

Through dialogue and engagement and by reaffirming our commitment to excellence and innovation, we have supported our member institutions and Canada's international education community over the past year, by:

Creating spaces for genuine dialogue, bringing together stakeholders from across the international education landscape at our annual conference and regional meetings to engage in meaningful conversations, share perspectives and inform policy and practice.

Raising literacy about the intrinsic value of international education in Canada through media outreach and via constructive engagement with civil society organizations, private sector organizations, and policy and decision-makers across all levels of government.

Reflecting the needs, interests, and perspectives of our community via appearances at Parliamentary Committees reviewing issues of immediate concern to our community, including transparency, timing, and equity in the processing of international student visa requests.

Developing a new framework dedicated to collecting national data on outbound mobility to better track and articulate the value of international experiences for our students and encourage more students to embark on international education journeys. Delivering enhanced training and certification programming to increase the professionalism of international education practitioners who support international students in Canada and strengthening capacity to enable our member institutions to make informed, ethical choices when engaging education agents.

As we move forward into the coming year, CBIE remains steadfast in its commitment to support our sector. We will continue to provide a platform for dialogue, collaboration, and the exchange of ideas. We will champion the

values of social justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion, and we will actively work towards and champion sustainable internationalization practices.

We want to express our deepest gratitude to our community members, partners, and stakeholders for their active participation in this journey. Your dedication has been instrumental in shaping the future of Canadian international education.

**Deborah Saucier** 

President, Vancouver Island University

Larissa Bezo

President and CEO, CBIE



### **Convening + Connecting**

1,154

delegates @ CBIE2022 from 46 countries



679

attendees @ Regional Meetings & Global Affairs Canada on the forthcoming International Education Strategy



1,870+

Community Hub users connected online



31,000+

international education stakeholder connections through social media channels



18

Canadian higher education institutions participated in EXPO 2020 Dubai 12

Canadian higher education institutions attended EAIE2022 & met with **50** institutions from Spain and Türkiye 10

Moroccan institutions & the Moroccan Ministry of Higher Education attended CBIE2022

50\* Canadian connections made

10+ MOUs discussed



**52** 

**institutions** across all ten provinces participated in the inaugural *Learning Abroad Survey* 



3,600+ students & alumni respondents

196

individuals participated in professional development programs on marketing and recruitment, risk and crisis management, Anti-Racism Response Training, and RISIA continuing professional development



**70** co

completed

International
Educators
Practitioner
Program in
partnership with
the Government of
Saskatchewan

100+ completed

Education Agent
Training Program
in partnership with
the province of
Saskatchewan and
EduNova

150 prepared

International
Students
Immigration
Education Program
(ISIEP) RISIA
entry-to-practice
exam

### Scholarship Programs + Projects



**support for students from 77 countries** to pursue higher education in Canada and around the world

## Canada-ASEAN Scholarships and Educational Exchanges for Development (SEED)

148

#### students and researchers

representing **9** ASEAN member states came to Canada and were hosted by **40** Canadian higher education institutions on short-term exchange programs

### Libyan-North American Scholarship Program (LNASP)

This year marked the close of CBIE's administration of the Libyan North America Scholarship Program (LNASP). CBIE had the honour of administering the program since 2010.

3,000

Libyan students studied at post-secondary institutions across Canada and the United States in undergraduate, Masters, PhD and specialized (dentistry/medicine) programs

### The Canadian Francophonie Scholarship Program (CFSP)

30

**scholars** from mainly Francophone African countries attended **10+** higher education institutions, mainly in Quebec

CFSP continues to **offset greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions** from the scholar's international flights

9.86

GHG tonne

70

planted

### International Scholarships Program (ISP) of Global Affairs Canada

32

**scholars** studying at post-secondary institutions in nine Canadian provinces participated in the ELAP study tour hosted in Ottawa on the theme of 'A Sustainable Canada'

630

**students and researchers** came to Canada on short-term exchange programs

15

participants in the ELAP Collaboration Mission representing **7** countries from Latin America and the Caribbean. **21** new agreements are anticipated to be signed.

#### **Launching Economic Achievement Program (LEAP)**

46

individual entrepreneurs
participated in the LEAP business
incubation program

12

public stakeholders launched new programs that address gender-specific barriers to female entrepreneurship 46

private stakeholders launched new activities within their organizations to address barriers to female participation in the workforce

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Acadia University

Ace Acumen Academy

Acsenda School of Management

Algoma University

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Technology

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Bishop's University

Bow Valley College

Brandon University

British Columbia Institute of Technology

**Brock University** 

Cambrian College

Camosun College

Canadian Bureau for International Education

Canadore College

Cape Breton University

Capilano University

Carleton University

Centennial College

Coast Mountain College

Collège Boréal

College of New Caledonia

College of the North Atlantic

College of the Rockies

Columbia College

Conestoga College

Confederation College

Conseil des écoles catholiques du Centre Est

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l'Ontario

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École nationale d'administration publique

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Campus

Fanshawe College

Fraser International College

George Brown College

Georgian College

Grant MacEwan University

Greater Victoria School District

HEC Montréal

Humber Institute of Technology and Advanced

Learning

IBT College

**ILAC Higher Education Group** 

Institut de tourisme et d'hôtellerie du Québec

Institut national de la recherche scientifique

International College of Manitoba

Keyano College

Kwantlen Polytechnic University

La Cité collégiale

Lakehead University

Lakeland College

Langara College

Laurentian University / Université Laurentienne

Lester B. Pearson School Board

Lethbridge College

Loyalist College

Manitoba Institute of Trades and Technology

McGill University

McMaster University

Medicine Hat College

Memorial University of Newfoundland

Mohawk College of Applied Arts & Technology

Mount Allison University

Mount Saint Vincent University

New Brunswick Community College

Niagara College

Nipissing University

NorQuest College

North Island College

Northeastern University

Northern Alberta Institute of Technology

Northern College

Northwestern Polytechnic

Nova Scotia College of Art and Design University

Nova Scotia Community College

OCAD University

Okanagan College

Olds College of Agriculture & Technology

Ontario Tech University

Peerless Training Institute

Polytechnique Montréal

Portage College

Queen's University

Red River College

Robertson College

Royal Roads University

Saint Mary's University

Saskatchewan Polytechnic

Sault College

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Sheridan College

Simon Fraser University

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St. Clair College

St. Francis Xavier University

St. Lawrence College

St. Mary's University

St. Thomas University

Thompson Rivers University

Toronto Metropolitan University (formerly Ryerson University)

TVO Independent Learning Centre

Université de l'Ontario français

Université de Moncton

Université de Montréal

Université de Saint-Boniface

Université de Sherbrooke

Université d'Ottawa

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Université du Québec en Outaouais

Université Laval

University Canada West

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