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## **Yukon participates in Ministerial Conference on the Canadian Francophonie**

WHITEHORSE—The Minister responsible for the French Language Services Directorate Elaine Taylor is attending the 21st Ministerial Conference on the Canadian Francophonie in St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador on June 22 and 23.

"The Ministerial Conference on the Canadian Francophonie is an important intergovernmental forum for the promotion and development of the Canadian Francophonie," Taylor said. "We have made good progress in the last three years in strengthening our government's French language services. This conference is an opportunity to share information and best practices to further support the vitality of our francophone community."

Many important topics pertaining to the advancement of the Canadian Francophonie will be discussed at the conference, including Francophone immigration, tourism, French-language services, and early childhood development.

During the conference, Minister Taylor will be leading several strategic discussions with federal and provincial ministers on French language services. "Yukon is well positioned on the national scene with respect to French Language Services delivery and Active Offer. I look forward to sharing Yukon's collaborative approach to enhancing the delivery of French Language Services with and for the Francophone community," Taylor added.

Next year, Yukon will co-chair the Ministerial Conference on the Canadian Francophonie along with the Government of Canada. The 2017 Conference will be held in Ottawa in celebration of the 150th anniversary of the Confederation. Yukon has been an active member of the conference since its creation in 1994.

For more information about the conference visit the Ministerial Conference on the Canadian Francophonie website: [www.cmfc-mccf.ca](http://www.cmfc-mccf.ca).

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