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**Call for Presentations – WUSC National Research Forum 2008**  
**World University Service of Canada (WUSC)**  
**62<sup>nd</sup> Annual Assembly Youth Action and Civic Engagement**

Date and Location

Ottawa – Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Convener

Dr. James Milner, Munk Centre for International Studies, University of Toronto

Audience

The WUSC Annual Assembly is a national meeting involving delegates including post-secondary students, local committee members, WUSC Southern partners, WUSC alumni, WUSC institutional members, faculty and individuals active in international development.

In 2003, WUSC created the National Research Forum to provide a platform for new and emerging scholars to present their research to student leaders from across Canada. Inaugurated by John Ralston Saul, each year the Forum is linked to the theme of WUSC's Annual Assembly. Up to five scholars are chosen to present.

This year's Annual Assembly theme is Youth Action and Civic Engagement. Our theme reflects the view that a new generation of young people is demonstrating a commitment to global citizenship and engagement in some of the most pressing issues of our time in new and innovative ways. Through this research theme, the Research Forum will consider the various forms of this engagement and the impact it has had on a range of social, political, environmental and other issues. WUSC especially wishes to showcase research with attention to subjects outside of Canada, with a particular emphasis on research in WUSC program countries (see list below).

WUSC welcomes expressions of interest within this year's Annual Assembly theme, Youth Action and Civic Engagement. This may include expressions of interest from scholars working in development studies, with a focus on the theme as demonstrated outside of Canada, by Canadians engaged in international issues, or new Canadians engaged with issues in their countries of origin. The Forum format is five concurrent sessions of one hour. Travel and accommodation costs will be covered by WUSC.

## Deadline for proposals

**June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

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## Format

One page summary of the presentation, highlighting the presentation purpose and intent

## Selection Process

Preference will be given to presentations that focus on WUSC countries or projects that will inspire and motivate individuals to share knowledge and take action.

Countries include: *The Americas* – Bolivia, Guatemala, Peru; *Africa* – Burkina Faso, Botswana, Ghana, Guinea, Mali, Malawi, Niger, Senegal, *Asia* – Afghanistan, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Vietnam; The Balkans; Haiti; Canada.

*WUSC is a network of individuals and postsecondary institutions that believe that all peoples are entitled to the knowledge and skills necessary to contribute to a more equitable world. WUSC's mission is to foster human development and global understanding through education and training. Our award-winning projects are developed to address local needs and reduce poverty, and are delivered with local partners to ensure sustainability. WUSC also supports development education activities and international programs at over 60 Canadian colleges and universities.*

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