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Applications Open for 2022 In-Person Future Leaders Canada Program

OTTAWA, ON: The Fisheries Council of Canada (FCC), in partnership with the National Fisheries Institute in the United States, has [opened applications](#) for their in-person 2022 Future Leaders Canada program. The program is scheduled to return to its original format, with students travelling to Ottawa, ON; Chicago, IL; and Halifax, NS, plus the incorporation of two new virtual sessions.

Future Leaders Canada accepts participants working in the fish and seafood industry who are interested in gaining the skills and insider knowledge needed to become successful champions for their companies and the sector. After the 2021 program went fully virtual to accommodate COVID-19 precautions, the 2022 agenda has been developed with adaptations to safely resume travel where possible.

“We were pleased to be able to continue programming in 2021 with a virtual agenda, but the opportunity to soak up the environment of our destinations in person is one we’re excited to be returning to,” said Paul Lansbergen, President, FCC. “The class of 2022 will appreciate the chance to experience the breadth of the Canadian seafood industry first-hand.”

The 2022 Future Leaders Canada program will run from March through August, with three three-day sessions in Ottawa, Chicago and Halifax, plus two bonus virtual sessions. A graduation celebration will take place at FCC’s Annual Conference in Ottawa in October. Participants can expect to learn in-depth about export logistics, sustainability in seafood, and the retail side of the industry, while also exploring vessels, ports and production facilities, among other sessions.

“The goal of the Future Leaders Canada program is to equip our fish and seafood professionals with a well-rounded understanding of the sector, to strengthen the future of the entire industry,” Lansbergen said.

Applications, as well as a draft program agenda, are now [available online](#). Interested participants should register before Jan. 28, 2022.

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The Fisheries Council of Canada (FCC) is the voice of Canada’s fish and seafood industry, promoting a healthy resource and prosperous industry playing a vital role in the Canadian economy. Our members include small, medium and larger-sized companies along with Indigenous enterprises that harvest and process fish from Canada’s three oceans. Learn more at www.fisheriescouncil.ca.

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