**NOTICE OF POSITIONS:**

**UBCIC APPOINTEE TO**

**TRIPARTITE FIRST NATIONS LABOUR MARKET SKILLS STEERING COMMITTEE**

**Applications are being sought from persons interested in participating as a member of the Tripartite First Nations Labour Market Skills Steering Committee. The Union of BC Indian Chiefs (UBCIC) will be appointing one (1) member for a three-year term commencing October 4th, 2019.**

Background

On March 27, 2017, Canada and First Nations Leadership Council co-hosted the First Nations Labour Market Skills Meeting in Kamloops, BC. The purpose of the Gathering was to engage First Nations leaders, Aboriginal Skills Employment and Training Strategy holders, provincial and federal government representatives to dialogue and provide recommendations to support long term opportunities to improve outcomes for First Nations in the labour market. Following the meeting, the First Nations Leadership Council submitted a final report with 4 recommendations to initiate dialogue with Canada and the Province of BC.

The First Nations in British Columbia subsequently supported resolutions to establish a Tripartite First Nations Labour Market Skills Steering Committee tabled in February and March 2019 at the First Nations Summit, Union of BC Indian Chiefs and British Columbia Assembly of First Nations.

Accordingly, the Tripartite First Nations Labour Market Skills Steering Committee was established and consists of representatives from the BC ATEAM, First Nations Leadership Council, the Province of British Columbia and Canada (“the Committee”).

Scope

The Committee will focus on identifying opportunities and strengthening relationships to First Nations labour market development, including the development of recommendations for reducing duplication to service delivery, supporting research and development, sharing best practices and tracking performance to support long term planning for implementation.

The Committee does not replace any existing discussions or negotiations respecting First Nations labour market programs that any member agency or ministry may currently have underway with additional partners, including First Nation communities and/or Aboriginal organizations, nor does it preclude Committee member agencies or ministries from initiating new discussions or negotiations as needed.

Goals and Objectives

Sustained collaboration respecting First Nations employment and training is intended to support the mutual goal of improving outcomes for First Nations in the labour market and strengthening alignment of activities between the Committee. The Committee will contribute to this goal by:

· Supporting improved relations and engagement between First Nations, the Province and Canada as they relate to increasing First Nations participation in the labour market;

· Identifying potential partnerships to improve quality and availability of jobs for First Nations; and

· Identifying best practices to improve sector participation and impactful investment approaches relating to First Nations Labour Market Development.

The Committee will establish a work plan which will outline short, medium and long-term goals and objectives (the Work Plan).

 Application Process

* The UBCIC Election Procedures set out in 1(b): “A Full or Active Member in good standing of the UBCIC must nominate candidates to represent the U.B.C.I.C. on any committee. Written nominations must be received at least ten (10) business days prior to the start of the Assembly or meeting... The UBCIC will announce the availability of a committee position when providing notice of the Assembly or meeting where the election will occur.”
* The UBCIC Election Procedures and nomination form are attached.
* The deadline for applicants to submit their nomination form is 4:00 p.m. on September 17th, 2019.

Please submit nomination form to:

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