



Newsletter - February 16, 2012

**Jacques Attali, A. Michael Spence and Riccardo Petrella are among the first 20 prominent speakers confirmed for the 2012 Summit!**



More than 20 highly-esteemed speakers have already confirmed their participation in the 2012 Summit, including Jacques Attali, A. Michael Spence, Riccardo Petrella, Dominic Barton and Felice Scalvini.

Many distinguished speakers have also been confirmed for Imagine 2012, the official pre-Summit event. They include Elinor Ostrom, recipient of the 2009 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences.

This first list of prominent speakers confirms the level of excitement these events are generating around the world. Over 130 speakers are expected, making the International Summit of Cooperatives and Imagine 2012 the events not to be missed in 2012.

To see a list of the other distinguished figures who will be speaking at the Summit, [click here](#).

**Register now for the 2012 Summit**

Online registration is now open for the 2012 International Summit of Cooperatives, taking place from October 8 to 11, 2012 in Quebec City, Canada.

To register, simply go the registration page, which contains various information and a button you can click that will open the registration form.

Use this form to register for the 2012 Summit and the Imagine 2012 conference, the pre-Summit event on cooperative economics that will be taking place on October 6 and 7, 2012.

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**The Future Cooperative Leaders Program now open to young cooperators between ages 20 and 35**

The cooperative community has spoken and we listened: the Future Cooperative Leaders Program is now open to young cooperators between 20 and 35 years of age.

The age group for eligible candidates has been widened to ensure more diversity among future leaders and to be consistent with international definitions of youth.

Registration deadline: April 30, 2012.

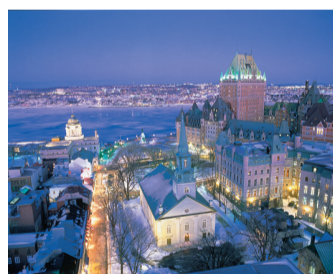
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**Three times more cooperators than shareholders in the world**

There are 3 times as many people in the world who are members of a cooperative than there are people who own shares.

This is the finding of a report published recently by Co-ops UK Secretary-General Ed Mayo.

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**Discover Quebec City!: a new section to help you explore Quebec City, the site of the Summit**

Get acquainted with the many attractions offered by the city where the Summit will be held, we've created a new section on our site, Discover Quebec City!

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