



International Gold Event

Application 2017

Prague, Czech Republic
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Welcome to the International Gold Event (IGE). The International Gold Event is a global leadership programme for the immediate next generation of key decision makers and influencers within The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award worldwide.

It brings together participants from all over the world to develop character and leadership skills and provides opportunities to contribute to the development of policy and practice throughout the Award family. The theme for the 2017 International Gold Event is "Engaging a younger generation in our sustainable future."

The ideal candidate will be someone who has achieved or is currently nearing the end of their Gold Award; and between the ages of 20-35. They will be active within the Award, and someone that the Division Office has worked with in some capacity in the past and would be ideal to represent Canada and The Award abroad. In addition, the successful candidate is expected to return to their Division and remain actively engaged in some capacity (volunteer or staff).

Applicants will be assessed based on the following criteria:

- Achievement of, or active engagement in gaining, their Gold Award.
- Commitment to their local/national Award programme through active engagement.
- Success in their professional/student career, volunteering life and civil society.
- Potential and desire to rise to the highest levels of volunteer or professional leadership.
- Interview with National Award Operator.

To be considered for a spot in the Canadian Delegation for IGE 2017, please fill out the following application and submit it via email to your provincial office no later than **March 24, 2017**.

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Section 1: Tell Us About Yourself

Personal Details

Last/Family name: _____ Age: _____

First Name/given names: _____ Date of birth YYYY/MM/DD: _____

Preferred name: _____

*You must be between 20 and 35 years old on 25 October 2017.

Gender: _____

Communication and contact details:

What is the best way for us to contact you? Please tick one. Please note that if you do not have access to email we would prefer to contact you by phone.

Email Phone Fax Mail

Email address primary:

Street number and name:

Email address secondary:

City:

Fax number (include code):

Province:

Phone number daytime
(include code):

Country:

Phone number evening
(include code):

Post /ZIP code:

Mobile number daytime
(Include code):

Postal Address (If different from previous. All
correspondence will be sent to this address):

Preferred time of day for the NAO to contact you:



Which language(s) do you speak? Please list and indicate level of proficiency:

Do you have any medical or first aid qualifications?

If yes, please give details:

How did you find out about the International Gold Event 2017?

International Award
Foundation Website
Past IGE attendee

National Award Operator

Other, please specify: _____

Describe your access to communications and technology:

Post / Mail	Telephone	Computer	Internet
none	none	none	none
daily	daily	daily	daily
weekly	weekly	weekly	weekly
monthly	monthly	monthly	monthly

Where you are from:

Country of birth: _____

Country of residence: _____

In what country will you spend most time over the next three years? If this answer is different from above, please explain why:

Would you describe yourself as belonging to a particular ethnic group?

Yes

No

If yes, please name (e.g. Maori, Inuit etc.): _____

Which of the following best describes the place where you live?

Urban

Rural

How many times have you travelled outside of your community? (this is not a requirement for selection)

How many times have you travelled outside of your country?



Education:

The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award Foundation and National Award Operators encourage emerging leaders with all levels of education to participate.

Have you attended school? Yes No

For how many years? _____

What is the highest level of school you have completed?

Primary Secondary College University

Are you currently studying? Yes No

If yes, at what level of school are you currently?

Primary Secondary College University

Please describe your field of study:

Employment:

Are you currently employed?

Full time employed Part time employed Self-employed

Unemployed Other

If other, please state: _____

If you are currently employed, please describe your job:

For how long have you held this position? _____

Please provide a brief outline of your employment history over the last five years:

Job Title	Company/ Organization	Time Period
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Brief Description of Role



Employment History Continued:

Job Title	Company/ Organization	Time Period
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Community Engagement & Volunteer Experience:

Please describe any volunteer work you are currently involved with:



Please describe any previous volunteer work, including timescales:



Adventure sports:

At the International Gold Event there may be adventurous activities. Please outline below your experience in relation to the sample activities listed.

Describe your experience below by ticking the boxes:

Swimming	Canoeing/kayaking	Hiking
none	none	none
basic	basic	basic
intermediate	intermediate	Intermediate
advanced	advanced	advanced
qualified	qualified	qualified

Please describe any other adventurous activities you are involved with:

Skills:

At the International Gold Event there will be opportunities for attendees to participate in workshop sessions. Please outline your interest/experience in relation to the following activities.

	Not Interested	Interested	Very Interested	Experienced
Research				
Photography				
Filming				
Journalism (writing)				
Public relations				
Social media (e.g. Facebook & blogging)				
Award training				

If you are experienced in any of the above, please give details:



The International Gold Event Team may contact you ahead of the event to ask if you would like to contribute to communications work during the International Gold Event 2017.

Social Media

Please describe which social networking channels you use to connect with the Award and to what extent:

	Never	Monthly	Weekly	Daily
International Award Foundation Facebook page				
NAO Facebook page				
Twitter				
YouTube				
LinkedIn				
Instagram				
Other (please name)				

Declaration:

Do you give permission to The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award Foundation and your National Award Operator to use your responses in this application form for research or publicity? Note: We will never publish your contact details without your consent. Declining permission will not affect your chances for selection for International Gold Event 2017.

Yes No

I declare that everything in this application is true and correct.

Name:

Date (DD/MM/YY):

Signature:

Photograph

Please attach a passport sized photograph of yourself to this application. Please make sure it is of a good quality, colour or black and white.

Community and organisational support

Letter of support:

This letter should include information about your personal values or commitment to the Award within your area. This letter should be from someone who knows you, such as your Award Leader or a community leader. Please ask them to provide their contact details, including an email address or phone number, on the letter.



Section 2: You, Your Community

and Your Future

Award Background Questionnaire

Please complete the following questions, paying careful attention to the word count restrictions, where applicable. If you run out of space continue on another page and attach it to your application form.

When did you complete your Gold Award? What activities did you complete for your Award?



Describe the challenges and frustrations you faced while completing your Award.
(200 words maximum)

Describe your perfect world. (200 words maximum)



What are you currently doing to contribute to the Award within your area and who does this impact? (200 words maximum)

Can you describe a time when you have shown leadership? Did you face any challenges? (200 words maximum)



What challenges face your National Award Operator (Canada) and how do you think they can be overcome? (200 words maximum)

Why do you want to attend the International Gold Event 2017?
(200 words maximum)



Application checklist

Before sending your application to your National Award Operator, check that you have:

Completed all questions in section 1.

Completed all questions in section 2.

Attached a photo of yourself.

Attached one letter of support from an Award Leader or community leader.

Submitting your application

Once completed please save and submit your application via email to your provincial office no later than **March 24, 2017**.

Click here for the contact information for our provincial offices across Canada.

