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### **15 000 youth want to come to Québec city!**

ReGeneration 2008 – the 4th world Youth Congress, the biggest youth event to be taking place during the 400th anniversary celebration has just selected the 600 youth who will be in Québec City acquiring skills, taking actions and celebrating from August 10th to the 21st 2008.

The task of evaluating the 5000 short listed applications, out of the 15 000 that were submitted, was accomplished by an international selection committee made up of our organisational partners says Pierre Lemay, the event's president. These applications came from over 140 countries, each candidate was selected on the basis of a project that he or she has done to improve the quality of life in their community he goes on to explain. The response was overwhelming, much higher that that experienced by the organisers of the Scottish edition of the Congress that took place in 2005, where 4000 people had registered.

Since January, official invitation letters have been send out to participants from Asia, South America, Africa and Europe. This letter will hopefully help the delegates obtain the support, the authorisations as well as the financial backing necessary to come and represent their country at the event.

These young delegates will be together in Québec city to share their expertise and experience in the field of Environmental, humanitarian and sustainable development, as well as access to education and the fight against poverty. All this work is done to work towards achieving the NDG'S as outlined by the United Nations.

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