



INDIGENOUS INNOVATION SUMMIT 2026 SEPTEMBER 22-24



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Advancing Indigenous Innovation and Research - Building a new Indigenous Innovation Ecosystem for the future of business, research, and economic reconciliation

Luminary is a national Indigenous-led innovation network that connects business schools, Indigenous organizations, and researchers to advance Indigenous economic development and well-being through research, training, and collaboration.

Through our work, we are transforming how academic institutions engage with the Indigenous economy by building talent, strengthening innovation ecosystems, and mobilizing knowledge and research into action.

We are supported through the Strategic Science Fund, sponsorship support, and training and networking events.

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WHY THIS MATTERS

Canada's business schools, research institutions, and industries face a critical challenge:

- Gaps in Indigenous engagement, knowledge, and research collaboration
- Limited integration of Indigenous perspectives in business education
- Underdeveloped pathways for Indigenous student talent, including students and scholars
- Missed opportunities for Indigenous-led innovation and economic growth
- Luminary addresses these challenges by building a **connected, national ecosystem** that moves from awareness → action → impact.

OUR APPROACH

We convene, coordinate, and activate new knowledge, networks, and research collaborations to:

- Grow Indigenous business student and research talent
- Strengthen Indigenous-led research collaborations
- Integrate Indigenous knowledge into business education
- Support innovation and economic reconciliation outcomes

INVESTMENT & PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

2nd Annual Indigenous Innovation Summit, McGill University, Sept 22-24, 2026

Driving Indigenous-led innovation, entrepreneurship and economic transformation

The Annual Indigenous Innovation Summit brings together Indigenous entrepreneurs, business leaders, researchers, and academic partners to explore innovation, investment, and economic growth.

Your impact: Our shared outcomes

- Support Indigenous-led innovation and entrepreneurship
- Enable collaboration across sectors (business, academia, Indigenous organizations)
- Advance conversations on economic reconciliation



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WHY PARTNER WITH LUMINARY

Your investment will help:

- Support a national Indigenous-led innovation strategy
- Contribute to meaningful, systems-level change
- Align with reconciliation, inclusion, and economic development priorities
- Engage directly with Indigenous businesses, leaders, and communities
- Be part of building Canada's future innovation ecosystem

SUMMIT SPONSORSHIP TIERS

Platinum (\$15,000+)

- Exclusive recognition as the official sponsor of the **Indigenous Innovation Reception or Luncheon**
- Four (4) complimentary attendee passes
- Premium brand visibility, including logo placement on all summit marketing materials
- Opportunity to **welcome delegates or introduce a keynote speaker**
- Prominent name/logo inclusion in the **Summit Report** and **Luminary's Annual Report**

Gold Sponsor (\$7,500)

Align your organization with one of four curated breakout sessions focused on advancing Indigenous-led innovation:

- **Research Collaborations**
- **Curriculum & Pedagogy**
- **Partnerships**
- **People Strategies**

Includes:

- Two (2) complimentary Summit passes
- Name/logo featured on select marketing materials
- Recognition in the **Summit Report**

Bronze Sponsor (\$2,500)

Refreshment Break Sponsor

Support meaningful connection and conversation by sponsoring a **morning and afternoon refreshment break** on either Day One or Day Two of the Summit.

Includes:

- One (1) complimentary Summit pass
- Recognition as a Refreshment Break Sponsor

Other Partnership and Sponsorship Opportunities include:

- **The new 2026 Knowledge Keepers Lodge for case study and curriculum development**
- **Professional development series**
- **National Business School Indigenous Engagement Survey and Report**

We welcome the opportunity to share and discuss these opportunities. Join us in advancing a new model for Indigenous innovation, research, and economic transformation.

Together, we can build an inclusive, sustainable, and innovative future where Indigenous businesses, students, and communities are key drivers of Canada's economy.

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