Yvon Madore



Yvon Madore spent more than 30 years working in international affairs and development, including 20 years on humanitarian assistance. He lived in various countries in Africa for many years while working for the United Nations.

Two principles guided his entire involvement in international affairs, in both development and humanitarian activities: a cooperative approach among all concerned, and a developmental mindset when addressing humanitarian issues to ensure that the beneficiaries crafted their own future.

Early in his career, he served as deputy director for the Canadian Council for International Cooperation. At the time of the G78's founding statement, Yvon was the Secretary General of Service Universitaire Canadian Outre-Mer (SUCO/CUSO). Under his leadership, thousands of professionally and technically qualified Canadians were sent to developing countries to help with a wide rage of projects.

After retirement, he continued consultancies in the humanitarian field and has maintained a high interest in international issues.

Peter Meincke



From 1978 until 1985, Peter Meincke served as the President of the University of Prince Edward Island. There, he helped establish the Island Web Consortium and The Institute of Island Studies, which focuses on the culture, environment, and economy of small islands. Peter was also a consultant to the UN on the establishment of the Small Island Developing States Network.

Subsequently, he joined the boards of a number of organizations, such as the Royal Commonwealth Society of Canada, the National Library Advisory Board and the Canadian Pugwash Group. He continues to advise the latter regarding education on global security. He has also been actively engaged with the G78 on its Board and Committees, including one term as its Chair.

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