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2012: A pivotal year for recognizing the role of cooperatives

The International Year of Cooperatives must give new momentum to the cooperative movement and be used to leverage recognition for their contribution to sustainable development around the world, said Sha Zukang, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs at the United Nations.

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2012 Summit Program: A look at the key themes

The 2012 Summit program is based on a detailed analysis of the current and future challenges faced by the cooperative community. Here is the first in a series of articles that will explore the Summit's key themes.

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A special program for future cooperative leaders

The 2012 Summit's special program for tomorrow's cooperative leaders will give them an opportunity to discuss issues with some of the cooperative movement's most eminent and respected leaders and experts, and take part in a variety of exclusive and exciting activities. For more information on the selection process for the future leaders' program, click here.

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Economic and financial crisis: Cooperatives are part of the solution

Dame Pauline Green, President of the International Co-operative Alliance (ICA) made this statement during a recent visit to Canada, during which she also promoted the Global 300 report published by the ICA.

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Creating «co-operative capital»: a challenge for cooperative financial institutions

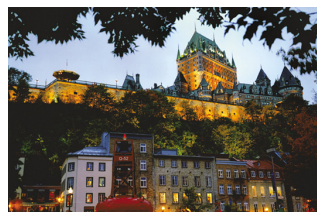
According to Tom Webb and his colleagues from the Master of Management, Co-operatives and Credit Unions Program at Saint Mary's University, "Co-operatives need to develop a 'breed of capital' – 'co-operative capital' – that appeals to their members' values and is consistent with and nurtures the cooperative business model. Millions of members are looking for investments that do not harm the planet and their children and grand-children."

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The International Summit of Cooperatives promoted at the Mont Blanc Meetings in Chamonix

The 2012 Summit was on the agenda at the 5th Mont Blanc Meetings in Chamonix, France, highlighting the role cooperatives play in humanizing and democratizing the economy.

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Discover Québec City, host for the 2012 Summit

An inspiring video of this city, whose Historic District of Old Québec is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

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