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About Canadian-Croatian Foundation for Demining

Website: www.deminecroatia.org

The Canadian Croatian Foundation for Demining (CCFD) is a Canadian registered non-profit society whose objective is to raise awareness and fundraise for the clearing of landmines in Croatia. CCFD's goal is to harness Canadian expertise and resources in our effort to remove landmines that have been plaguing Croatians and visitors to Croatia for nearly a generation. CCFD has established a team and relations with institutions that will ensure all raised funds and resources are directed to the demining effort. CCFD is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors.

Board Members

Sara Shawesh – President
George Kovacic – Director
Anthony Balic – Director
Marko Dekovic - Director

About International Relations Student Association

Website: www.irsa.ca

The International Relations Students Association (IRSA) was established in 1983. It has a mandate to provide students from a variety of disciplines with a forum for the discussion of international issues in a casual environment. Discussions reflect upon all areas of international interest. In addition, a host of other activities such as diplomatic simulations, academic publications, and conferences make IRSA the most active student group on campus and one of the most recognized throughout Canada.

About the Night of a 1000 Dinners

Website: www.nightofathousanddinner.ca

IRSA's Night of a Thousand Dinners (N1KD) is an annual, global event that raises awareness and funds for Adopt-A-Minefield®. N1KD dinners have been held in over 50 countries around the world, with tens of thousands of participants raising millions of dollars for mine action. This gala is already the largest student-organized landmine awareness event in the world.

About the Ottawa Mine Ban Treaty

Website: www.clearlandmines.com/Ottawa_Treaty.cfm

The Ottawa Mine Ban Treaty, formally the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction, bans completely all anti-personnel landmines. In response to a challenge issued by Canada in October 1996, 122 countries stated their intention to implement the Treaty. The Ottawa Treaty entered into force and became binding among the ratifying states on March 1, 1999. Croatia is a signing member of the Ottawa Treaty.

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