

## **Call for Papers, Posters & Exhibits**

### **Planning for Sustainability – From Vision to Action at the Community Level Stellarton, Nova Scotia May 24-26, 2007**

The Southern Gulf of St. Lawrence Coalition on Sustainability invites you to participate in a regional workshop at the Museum of Industry in Stellarton, Nova Scotia from May 24-26, 2007, titled: Planning for Sustainability – From Vision to Action at the Community Level

The Coalition workshops offer an opportunity for communities and stakeholders across Atlantic Canada and Quebec to share ideas and tools that help to enhance sustainability in the Southern Gulf of St. Lawrence region. Through the workshop's Open Spaces sessions, participants will come together to recommend priority issues and sustainability strategies to decision makers.

This year's workshop will highlight community efforts to incorporate social, economic and environmental sustainability practices into local-level planning and decision-making. Throughout the region, communities are increasingly being challenged to develop sustainable development plans. Through the sharing of information and experiences, the workshop will raise awareness and interest about real, on-the-ground approaches and tools being employed by communities to address sustainability challenges.

Presentations are limited to twenty minutes and should be accompanied by a power point presentation. Forty minute hands-on interactive workshops will also be considered. Papers and posters are sought in a variety of related areas including, but not limited to:

- Community experiences in implementing a sustainability program or project
- Regional sustainability initiatives of various organizations and associations
- Research on the economical, social or environmental sustainability of the region
- International, federal and provincial programs focused on sustainability

Speaker and poster candidates are encouraged to focus on practical ideas, tools, and knowledge that will inform and motivate workshop participants to take action.

Please forward a 250 word abstract to [admin@coalition-sgsl.ca](mailto:admin@coalition-sgsl.ca) by February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2007. For more information, please visit [www.coalition-sgsl.ca/workshop](http://www.coalition-sgsl.ca/workshop). Selections of papers and posters will be made by mid-March, 2007.

Exhibits of sustainability products, wares and services are also encouraged. A limited number of display tables are available on a first-come first-serve basis. The cost to secure a display table is \$100. For more information, contact the Coalition office at 506-858-4495.