New Approaches to Collaborative Governance

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Collaborative Governance

Governance:
- interactions and processes involving the state and interests articulated by any and all of the different sectors of society.

Collaborative:
- to work together with other stakeholders.

New ways of working together to grow the economy of Newfoundland and Labrador.
Context

- Major political negotiations can have a dramatic effect
- State of provincial economy
- Existing government structures and capacity
- Existing Government Relations
- Business capacity
Issues

- National priorities fit with regional needs
- Community capacity/jurisdiction
- Program objectives/accountability
- Institutional capacity
Resources available

- Provincial:
  - ……Program Renewal Process

- Federal:
  - HRSDC – LMDA
  - DFO – Small Craft Harbours
  - Heritage Canada
  - Industry Canada
  - ACOA
Policy/Program Choices

- National strategies versus regional priorities
- Access to capital (role of Public funding)
- Support to enabling organizations
- Funding Innovation: institutions and/or commercial?
- Trade: what is the role for government?
- Entrepreneurship: born, developed or imported?
- Immigration or reduce out-migration?
- Investment: home-grown or CFA?
- Unions: emerging roles?
- Infrastructure: who has jurisdiction?
- Community Development: need versus opportunity?
New Ways of Working Together to Grow the Economy of Newfoundland & Labrador

- Tripartite Agreements
- Pan-Atlantic Agreements
- Focused Agreements/Arrangements
  (Trade/Infrastructure/Tourism)
- Administrative Protocols
- Memorandums of Understanding
- Parallel Delivery
- Third Party Delivery
- OTHER?