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HOW NEXT DIMENSION IS CREATING WAYS TO ENGAGE WITH INDIGENOUS YOUTH & ADULT LEARNERS

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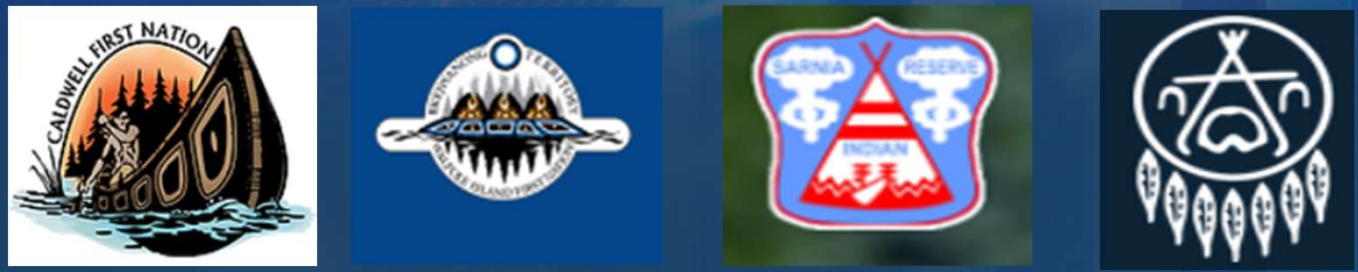
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HOW TO ENCOURAGE INDIGENOUS YOUTH TO PURSUE CAREERS IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY?



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SCHOOL TOURS OF HEAD OFFICE (GRADES 6 to 8)
SCHOOL TOURS OF HEAD OFFICE (GRADES 9 to 12)
INDIGENOUS ONLY CO-OP PROGRAM (GRADES 11 to 12)
INDIGENOUS ONLY CO-OP PROGRAM (COLLEGE)
INDIGENOUS ONLY CO-OP PROGRAM (UNIVERSITY)
INDIGENOUS ONLY CO-OP PROGRAM (IN COMMUNITY)
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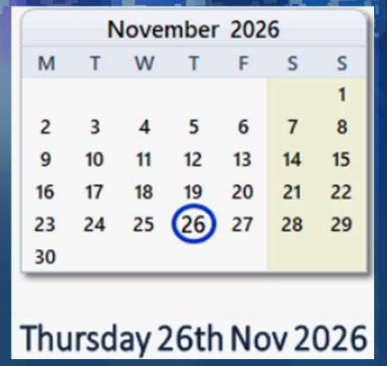
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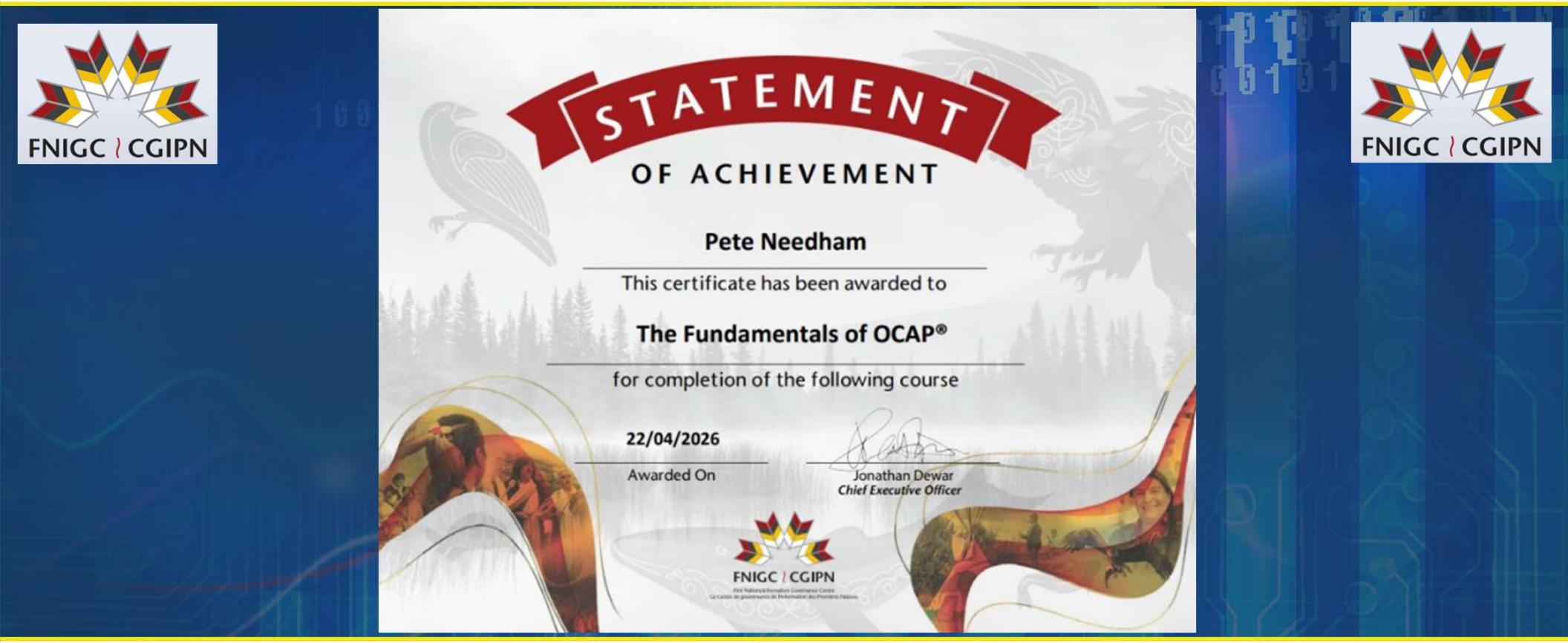


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OWNERSHIP – CONTROL – ACCESS – POSSESSION (OCAP)

- OCAP WAS DEVELOPED BY AND FOR THE FIRST NATIONS;
- ONLY FIRST NATIONS CAN DEFINE WHAT THE OCAP PRINCIPLES MEAN TO THEM;
- OCAP SHOULD BE ASSERTED BY THE FIRST NATIONS AND RESPECTED BY NON-FIRST NATIONS.

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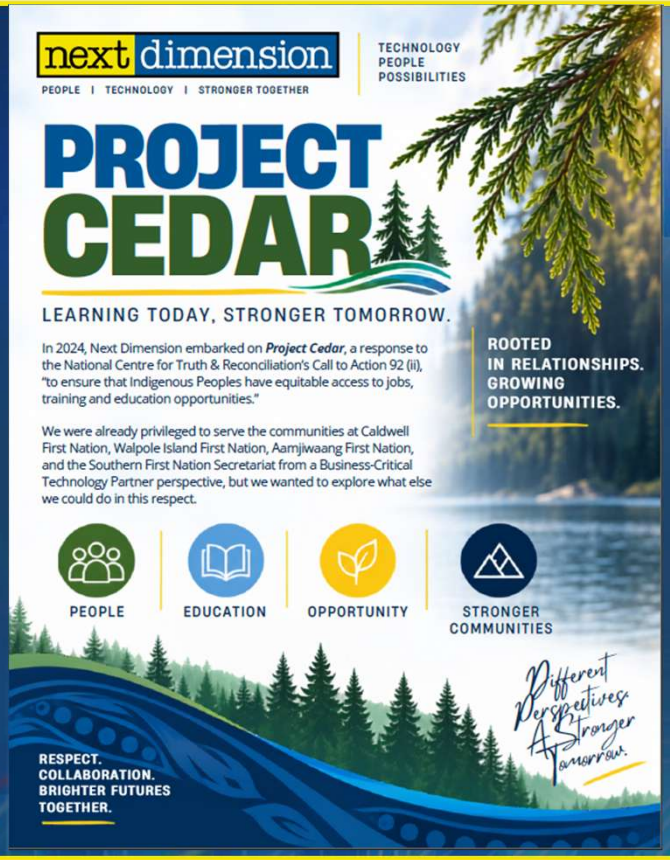
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