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# Preparing the workforce of the future

Building skills, innovation, and resilience in Canada’s workforce

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**W**hen it comes to preparing the workforce of the future, Canada is not alone. Across the globe, governments and businesses are working together to ensure that the workforce is equipped with the skills and knowledge needed to thrive in a rapidly changing economy. This special report explores the challenges and opportunities facing Canada's workforce and offers insights into how we can best prepare for the future.

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Canada’s workforce is undergoing significant changes, requiring innovative approaches to skills development, technological integration, and collaboration between education and industry to stay competitive in the global economy. This special feature will highlight the critical initiatives, partnerships, and strategies shaping the future of work, with a focus on fostering talent and innovation for long-term success.

- Proposed topic highlights:**
- Diversity and Inclusion:** Examining how organizations are driving equitable opportunities and empowering diverse talent to lead the future workforce.
  - Adapting to Change:** How Canadian businesses are embracing emerging technologies, upskilling programs, and workforce strategies to remain competitive.
  - Future Skills:** Highlighting the importance of continuous learning to build resilience in an evolving job market.
  - Collaboration:** Showcasing innovative collaborations between post-secondary institutions and leading employers.
  - Technology:** Exploring the integration of AI, automation, and digital tools in creating smarter and more adaptable workplaces.

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