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**Team Canada National Selection Event**

**Ottawa, Ontario May 26, 2010** – The Canadian Printing Industries Sector Council (CPISC), Skills/Compétences Canada and Mohawk College co-hosted a Team Canada Selection Event at Mohawk College in Brantford, Ontario on May 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. Five candidates representing Alberta, Saskatchewan, Ontario, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland competed for a spot on the podium. Stephen Rogers of Newfoundland won gold; Jessica Stegemann of Nova Scotia won silver and Tom Middlebro of Ontario brought home bronze and will be joining Team Canada 2011.

Every two years, Canada competes at the WorldSkills Competition, against the best in the world! This will be the 11<sup>th</sup> international competition event in which Canada participates. More than 30 successful Canadian competitors will be participating and will represent Canada at this prestigious international event that will be hosted in London, England from October 5 - 8 2011. The event will involve competitors from 49 member countries.

“Mohawk College was proud to co-host this second selection event for the Canadian printing industry. It will be a life altering experience for Tom”, said Mohawk College Program Coordinator, Phil Richardson.

“Encouraging young people to enter the printing and graphic communications industry is critical and hosting such a competition will provide an opportunity to demonstrate how printing has changed and the key role technology has played in that change”, said Jeff Ekstein, CPISC Co-Chair.

The Canadian Printing Industries Sector Council, funded by the Government of Canada's Sector Council Program, is a not-for-profit organization responsible for the human resource strategy for the printing and graphic communications sector. For more information, visit [www.cpisc-csic.ca](http://www.cpisc-csic.ca).

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