A Quiet Evolution: The Emergence of Indigenous - Local Intergovernmental Partnerships in Canada

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Much of the coverage surrounding the relationship between Indigenous communities and the Crown in Canada has focused on the federal, provincial, and territorial governments. Yet it is at the local level where some of the most important and significant partnerships are being made between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples. In this presentation, Christopher Alcantara provides an overview of some of the findings from his new book, co-authored with Dr. Jen Nelles, entitled "A Quiet Evolution", published by University of Toronto Press in Fall 2016.

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