



## **VANCOUVER CENTRE SCHEDULE**

**Friday, March 26 – Sunday, March 28**

Each event listed will be webcast from Montreal at the time listed, and will be followed by discussion.

**Friday, March 26**

Fairleigh Dickinson University  
842 Cambie Street

**CHALLENGE 1 Jobs Today and Tomorrow: The Productive Society in 2017**

Canada's sluggish productivity growth has long been an academic talking point. But few would dispute the need for concrete and constant gains in innovation, learning and workforce adaptation. What are the obstacles that must be overcome? Where are the successes that can be replicated and amplified? And what should be the role of the federal government in pursuing tomorrow's prosperity for all Canadians?

**10:00 — 10:30**  
***Pacific***

**Keynote Address: The Challenge of Our Century**

Sheryl WuDunn, Co-Author, *Half the Sky: Turning Oppression into Opportunity for Women Worldwide*

*Throughout much of the world, the greatest unexploited economic resource is the female half of the population. Unleashing that potential is not only the right thing to do, it is also the best strategy for fighting poverty. Sheryl WuDunn, together with co-author, husband and fellow Pulitzer Prize winner Nicholas Kristof, depicts a world with anger, sadness, clarity and, ultimately, hope.*

**10:45 – 12:15**  
***Pacific***

**Learning as a National Priority**

*If excellence in learning and higher education are essential for the jobs of tomorrow, what should Canada be doing about it?*

**Moderator:**

Yves Thomas Dorval, *President, Conseil du patronat du Québec*

**Speakers:**

Carolyn Acker, *Founder, Pathways to Education Canada*

Lloyd Axworthy, *President & Vice-Chancellor, The University of Winnipeg*

André Bazergui, *President & General Manager CRIAQ*

Joan McArthur Blair, *President of the Nova Scotia Community College*

**12:45 – 2:15**  
**Pacific**

**Canadian Innovation: Generating and Leveraging Success**

*How will Canada's next innovation success stories be written, and what can we do to foster further innovation? What is the role of government in promoting innovation?*

**Speakers:**

Linda Hasenfratz, Chief Executive Officer, Linamar Corporation

Tom Jenkins, Executive Chairman and Chief Strategy Officer, Open Text

Roger Martin, Dean, Rotman School of Management, University of Toronto

**Saturday, March 27**

Canadian Memorial United Church & Centre for Peace  
1825 W 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue

**CHALLENGE 2: Real Life Issues for Canadian Families: How Do We Care?**

Today's families, and tomorrow's, come in all shapes and sizes. "Sandwiched" between obligations to care for aging parents and school-aged children, more than ever Canadian families are facing financial worries about saving for retirement and for education for their kids. How do we give families the support they need to cope and thrive? What actions are required to help Canadians secure their retirements and provide economic security for our children, our parents, our neighbours and ourselves?

**9:30 – 10:15 Pacific      How Do We Care: The Future of Health and Healthcare**

Few countries attach as much pride and national identity to a social program as Canadians do to healthcare. And yet, uncertainty about its future continues to grow. For the healthiest possible population in 2017 and beyond, what are the priorities in medical research, health promotion, disease prevention, and healthcare system sustainability?

**Moderator**

Lucienne Robillard, former provincial and federal Cabinet Minister, including Minister of Health and Social Services for the province of Québec

**Speakers:**

Dr. Alan Bernstein, Executive Director, Global HIV Vaccine Enterprise, New York, N.Y. and Former President of Canadian Institutes for Health Research

Dr. Marie-France Raynault, Director, Former Department of Social and Preventive Medicine, Université de Montréal and of the Léa Roback Research Centre on Social Inequalities in Health of Montréal

Dr. William Reichman, President and Chief Executive Officer, Baycrest and Professor of Psychiatry, University of Toronto Faculty of Medicine

**CHALLENGE 3: Energy, Environment, Economy: Growth and Responsibility in 2017**

Canadians appear ready to move beyond the dead-end policies of trade-off between the environment and the economy. A 21st Century approach to energy could leverage Canada's resources while protecting the environment and contributing to the global fight against climate change. But how do we make that leap, and what should Canadians expect of the federal government?

**11:15 – 12:30 Pacific      Clean Energy and Canada's Potential in the Low Carbon World: What's Missing?**

Clean energy provides the key to Canada's success both in reducing emissions that cause climate change, and in securing the green jobs of tomorrow. Our major trading partners are acting ambitiously to invest in clean energy. What

should Canada do to achieve the right energy mix in 2017, and secure the environmental and economic benefits that will go with it?

**Moderator:**

Patrick Tobin, *Vice-President of Rio Tinto-Alcan*

**Speakers:**

Elyse Allan, *President and Chief Executive Officer, GE Canada*

Satya Brata Das, *Founder and Principal, Cambridge Strategies*

Nicholas Parker, *Executive Chairman and Co-Founder, Cleantech Group*

Steven Guilbeault, *Co-Founder, Équiterre*

#### **CHALLENGE 4: The Creative and Competitive Economy**

We are living in a rapidly changing digital age that is challenging traditional understanding of information, communication, economy and culture. In the decade ahead, what will be the impact of this rapid change on identity, language, citizenship and community? And what should be done today to build on Canada's creative and competitive strengths?

#### **1:00 – 2:30 Pacific    Culture and the Digital World**

With computing capacity and new media development accelerating relentlessly, what will "culture" mean in 2017, and how should the government ensure Canadian creative expression continues to have access to Canadian and world audiences? How will we ensure Canadians have access to "their" stories? Will these objectives, and the measures traditionally used to pursue them, still matter in 2017? Other countries have adopted ambitious policies to develop their capacity to lead in a global, digital economy. What are Canada's priorities, opportunities and challenges in the digital society and economy of tomorrow?

Glenn O'Farrell, *CEO and Principal, GPO Corp*

André Provencher, *Chairman of the Board, Association des producteurs de films et de télévision du Québec and President, LaPresse Télé*

Sheridan Scott, *former Commissioner of Competition, Competition Bureau of Canada*

**Sunday, March 28**

Gordon Neighbourhood House  
1019 Broughton Street

**CHALLENGE 5: A Strong Presence in the World of 2017: Commerce, Values, and Relationships**

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**10:00 – 10:30 Pacific**      **Keynote Address: Asia’s Role in the World of 2017**  
*Dominic Barton, Worldwide Managing Director, McKinsey & Co.*  
One of Canada’s most accomplished international business leaders, Dominic Barton is an authority on the emerging economic powers of Asia, particularly China. Having previously led McKinsey’s office in Korea, and serving as its Chairman of Asia, based in Shanghai, he has advised clients in a range of industries, helping transform institutions from local and regional players into global leaders. He will focus on macro-trends driving the astonishing pace of change in China, India and other Asian economies, and the implications for Canada.

**10:30 – 11:30 Pacific**      **Canadians Making a Difference in the World**  
It’s not all about what the government does. Civil society organizations are major players shaping the world at ground level. And young Canadians are demonstrating inspiring leadership. What are their lessons for Canada’s presence in the world of 2017?

**Moderator**

*Dr. James Orbinski, St. Michael’s Hospital, University of Toronto and former President of the International Council of Médecins Sans Frontières*

**Speakers:**

*Yasmine Charara, Chair, Observatoire jeunesse Oxfam-Québec*

Ryan Hreljak, *Founder, Ryan's Well Foundation*  
Parker Mitchell, *Co-Founder, Engineers Without Borders*

**11:30 – 12:00 Pacific**

**Closing Keynote Address: Canada at 150: Rising to the Challenge**

Michael Ignatieff, *Leader of the Official Opposition and Leader of the Liberal Party of Canada*

**12:30 – 2:00 Pacific**

**Canada's Presence in the World of 2017: Where Are the Priorities?**

Canadians sense our stature on the world stage is less than what it once was. But how do we move beyond the platitudes about "punching above our weight" to a principled, pragmatic and effective role as a middle power? What should the future hold for Canada's military, diplomatic, development, trade, investment, business, scientific, and academic relations around the world?