

Conference Program

Thursday January 24th, 2019

Day One - Healthy Economy

Morning Topic: Innovation for a Healthy Economy in Atlantic Canada

Time	Description
8:15 - 9:00	Registration
Pull up a seat, grab a cup of coffee and get ready for two full days of learning and networking!	
9:00 - 9:30	Introduction and Opening Prayer
Speakers: Elder Geri LeBlanc , Dalhousie's Elder in Residence Dr. Lori Turnbull , Director, Dalhousie School of Public Administration	
9:30 - 10:15	Keynote Address: Hosted by the MacEachen Institute for Public Policy and Governance
The Atlantic Conference on Public Administration in Partnership with the MacEachen Institute for Public Policy and Governance is pleased to present the Honourable Scott Brison as our keynote speaker for Thursday, January 24 th , 2018.	
Speaker: The Honourable Scott Brison (Kings-Hants), President of Treasury Board of Canada and Minister of Digital Government	
10:15 - 10:30	Networking Break
10:30 – 12:00	Setting the Stage: Atlantic Canada's Economy and Stories of Innovation in Practice
This introductory session will set the stage for the conference through a discussion around the current economic state in Atlantic Canada and trends that set the region apart from the rest of Canada. This session will explore how innovation could support Atlantic Canada's economic growth and will provide stories of innovation from across the Atlantic region from both a private and public sector perspective.	
Speakers Thomas Storning , Director of Economics and Statistics, Nova Scotia Department of Finance Richard Saillant , Author, Economist Alex MacBeath , Managing Director, Island Capital Partners Mike Davis , Partner and Managing Director, Davis Pier	
12:00 - 12:30	Lunch
12:30 – 2:00	Expert Panel on International Trade: Hosted by the MacEachen Institute for Public Policy and Governance
2019 is bringing about new challenges and uncertainties when it comes to international trade. Trade agreements that have existed for decades are being renegotiated (NAFTA, BREXIT) and new trade agreements (CETA, TPP) are opening up opportunities for Canadian businesses. The trade landscape is becoming more complex and changes to these and other policies could have cascading effects on Canadian industries. This panel will bring together a group of trade experts to discuss global trade issues from an Atlantic Canadian perspective.	
Speakers: Maryscott Greenwood - Principal in Dentons' Public Policy group; Chief Executive officer of the Canadian-American Business Council The Honourable Pierre Pettigrew - Executive Advisor, International at Deloitte Canada; Government of Canada Special Envoy for the Canada-European Union Trade Agreement (CETA) Colin Robertson - Vice President and Fellow at the Canadian Global Affairs Institute	

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Afternoon Topic: Economic impact of a Healthy Population

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2:00-2:15	Networking
2:15 –3:00	Student Paper Presentations and/or Posters: Showcasing student work based on the conference theme – Innovation for a Healthier Atlantic Canada

The Student Paper Presentations will be an opportunity for students and professionals to discuss topics of current relevance to the field of public administration.

3:00 – 4:30	Putting Innovation into Practice: Healthy Human Design Workshop
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This hands-on practical workshop will be an opportunity for delegates to put innovation into practice by taking a deep dive into the topic of Human Centered Design.

Speaker:

Dr. Jenny Baechler, Management without Borders Course Coordinator and University Lecturer, Dalhousie University

4:30 – 6:00	Networking Social Event: Presented by the Government of Nova Scotia
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To wrap up the day and introduce day-two's theme, Healthy People & Communities, participants will have a chance to hear from the Deputy Minister from the Nova Scotia Department of Seniors who will present on the newly launched "Shift: Nova Scotia's Action Plan for an Aging Population". This will be a great opportunity to network and foster valuable connections.

Speaker: (5:00 p.m.)

Simon d'Entremont, Deputy Minister of Nova Scotia Department of Seniors

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Friday January 25th, 2019

Day Two: Healthy People & Communities

Morning Topic: Innovation for Healthier Communities

Time	Description
8:15 – 9:00	Registration & Opening Prayer
9:00 - 10:30	Panel: Innovation for the Future of Healthy Communities in Atlantic Canada Presented by Davis Pier Consulting
<p>Healthy people contribute to a healthy Atlantic Canada. This expert-led panel on innovation for the future of Healthy Communities will explore the relationships between healthy people and healthy communities. Topics will include the social determinants of health, harm reduction strategies, reducing health disparities and promising practices of innovation in community health practices.</p> <p>Speakers: Dr. Robert Strang, Chief Medical Officer of Health for the Province of Nova Scotia Dr. Lois Jackson, Professor of Health Promotion, Faculty of Health Professions at Dalhousie University Cameron Campbell, Director of Primary Health Care, Government of Newfoundland & Labrador Dr. Ron Milne, Nova Scotia Brotherhood Initiative Facilitator: Tari Ajadi, PhD candidate, Dalhousie University Political Science</p>	
10:30 – 11:00	Networking Break
11:00 – 12:15	Solution Rooms: Rethinking Healthy Public Policy – Innovative Problem Solving
<p>The Solution Room is designed to provide expert-supported advice on today's most pressing public policy problems. Speakers will present on a topic of relevance to current public policy issues and facilitate discussion or activities with conference participants around solutions to the topic presented. Conference participants will have a chance to participate in their choice of two, 40-minute sessions, or one 90-minute session with the Policy Hack Team.</p> <p>Speakers: Annika Voltan & Paul Shakato, Inspiring Communities Dr. Christine Saulnier (Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives) Jennifer McGill and Bryan Daniels, Davis Pier Consulting Policy Hack - Nova Scotia Case Competition Team</p>	
12:15 – 1:00	Lunch

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Day Two: Healthy People & Communities

Afternoon Topic: Rethinking Healthcare

1:45-2:15

Soap Box: Promising Practices and Ideas from across the region/institutions

Conference participants will hear from a wide variety of community, academic, and industry experts as they “get on their soapbox” and present on topics related to the conference theme. Presentations will be Pecha Kucha style – short, sweet, & to the point.

Speakers:

Tina Henningar, NOW Lunenburg County

Mobile Food Market

Brendon Smithson, North American Indigenous Games

2:15-2:30

Break

2:30-3:30

Innovation Workshop: Change Management

Practices of innovation often rely on shaking up old ways of doing this and inevitably, change. This session will explore the role of change management in the context of innovation and will leave the conference with tools and strategies that will help them navigate through processes of change.

Speakers:

Dr. Scott Comber, Change Management consultant, lecturer at Dalhousie University

3:30-4:30

Conference Closing & Awards Presentation