# DEMOCRACY IN THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY

The X<sup>th</sup> Annual Trudeau Foundation Conference Westin Montréal Hotel Montréal, Quebec 21–23 November 2013





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In the 12 years since the Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation was founded, our organization has spawned a network of individuals gripped by some of the most important issues of our time: the affirmation of human rights, the exercise of citizenship, the protection of the environment, the effects of globalization on society and culture. Over time, this network has transformed itself into a veritable community. A community of reflection, first of all, fed by the input of Canada's best researchers in the humanities and the social sciences. But also a community of practice, buoyed by the experiences of individuals engaged in real-life social, economic, political, and cultural innovation. Among the members of the Trudeau Foundation community, there is no great hiatus between ideas and practice; research is not divorced from application, and thought is never far from action.

Each year in November, this community gathers to think about a question of vital interest to Canada's future. Annual Trudeau Foundation conferences are known internationally for the depth of their presentations, the originality of their speakers, and the energy and frankness with which their participants air and debate their ideas. Renowned experts from around the world take part in the discussion and join small break-out sessions in which everyone present can share their point of view. Numerous "national conversations" on subjects as varied as the environment and the economy, immigration, and the future of cities, have originated in an annual Trudeau Foundation conference.

This year, the Foundation is hosting a special program to mark a decade of engagement in the service of imagination and rigour. For a week between 15 and 23 November 2013, a series of events and meetings has given the Foundation community and its guests the opportunity to take stock of questions of the highest importance – questions about literature and law, sociology and the environment, philosophy and history. Trudeau Foundation Week will culminate in an imposing two-day conference that explores the future of democracy in this first part of the 21st century, a few years shy of Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Because in the end, no question is more vital than that of democracy. We know that democracy is threatened on all sides, whether by growing inequality, by environmental degradation, by governments' dwindling capacity to manœuvre in a global economy, or by repeated damage to human rights and dignity. Like the negative of a photo, the flip side of the Foundation's four main research areas reveals our principal sources of worry for the future. The X<sup>th</sup> Annual Trudeau Foundation Conference is an opportunity to pause, to regroup, to make time for the important task of evaluating the risks at their true valueand thinking about their root causes. But it is also an opportunity to consider the most promising solutions, to share ideas that have proven their worth, and to build bridges between different approaches and between the people who have inspired them.

# Thursday 21 November

4:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M. **RECEPTION AND REGISTRATION** FORTIFICATIONS FOYER. 9<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR

5:30 P.M. – 6 P.M. WELCOMING CEREMONY FORTIFICATIONS ROOM. 9<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR

6 P.M. – 6:10 P.M. WELCOMING REMARKS John McCall MacBain, Chairman,

The Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation FORTIFICATIONS ROOM, 9<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR

6:10 P.M. - 6:20 P.M.

**WELCOMING REMARKS** Principal partner, **BMO Financial Group** FORTIFICATIONS ROOM, 9<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR

6:20 P.M. – 6:35 P.M. **OPENING REMARKS Tim Brodhead**, Interim President and Chief Executive Officer, The Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation

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6:35 P.M. – 7:15 P.M. **THEMATIC ADDRESS ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND DIGNITY** Indigenous Rights Are Human Rights: Recognition and Implementation, Important For All of Canada

The principles of mutual recognition, mutual respect and sharing brought together Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples in this country at the time of contact. Canada was founded on these principles and they are not only relevant today, they are essential to move us forward. Full implementation of these principles is required to meet basic needs and to uphold First Nations title, treaty rights and human rights. Embracing these principles will create harmony, fairness and opportunity for every child, for every family and in every community—now, in this lifetime.

Shawn Atleo, National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations, Canada

Introduced by **Danielle Juteau**, Professor Emeritus at Université de Montréal and 2003 Trudeau Fellow Moderated by **Sandy Martin**, Vice-President (East Coast), Suncor Energy, and 2013 Trudeau Mentor FORTIFICATIONS ROOM,  $9^{TH}$  FLOOR

Keynote Session Presenter



7:15 P.M. – 10 P.M. **OPENING DINNER** FORTIFICATIONS ROOM, 9<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR

# Friday 22 November

7 A.M. – 8 A.M. BREAKFAST FORTIFICATIONS ROOM, 9<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR

# 8 A.M. – 9:30 A.M. PANEL DISCUSSION ON RESPONSIBLE CITIZENSHIP

Globalization and the information revolution are causing the concept of responsible citizenship to evolve at an ever-increasing pace, and more information is flowing more quickly than ever before. What is this doing to the breach between those plugged into the new order, and those left behind? How different is censorship in some countries from surveillance in others? How does one define responsible citizenship in mature democracies, where electoral participation rates have fallen and protest is on the rise? And what does corporate citizenship really mean if inequalities have been growing in many parts of the world?

Patrick Pichette. Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Google Inc., and Director, The Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation Paule Leduc. Former President. Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, and Director. The Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation Moderated by Amanda Clarke, 2010 Trudeau Scholar. Oxford University MONTRÉAL ROOM, 11TH FLOOR

#### 9:30 A.M.-10:30 A.M.

# THEMATIC ADDRESS ON PEOPLE AND THEIR NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

How changes to the three "geos" -geophysics, geopolitics and geoeconomics - are rewriting the world map

The world is changing. Fast. Massive environmental change – climate change, demographic shifts, urbanization, and more – are combining with. and influencing, an accelerating but unstable economic and political shift towards Asia. Long-held assumptions about everything from the integrity of international law to the global reserve currency are being challenged. Some countries understand these changes and are positioning themselves for the new reality: others aren't. The world ten years from now is likely to look very different. This talk will examine why.

Cleo Paskal, Associate Fellow (Energy, Environment, and Resources). Chatham House Introduced by Laure Waridel. 2011 Trudeau Scholar, Graduate Institute of International Studies MONTRÉAL ROOM, 11TH FLOOR

10:30 A.M. -- 11 A.M. BREAK MONTRÉAL FOYER, 11TH FLOOR

11 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

# PANEL DISCUSSION ON PEOPLE AND THEIR NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

20 years after suggesting the concept of the ecological footprint. does Professor William Rees see progress or deterioration in the

environmental record of industry and consumers? As the former president of one of the world's most effective research organizations in sustainable development, does Art Hanson believe that a green economy is possible within the current economic framework? This panel will debate the most pressing environmentrelated challenges to face humanity in the next 30 years, and discuss the prospects for an environmentally sustainable economy in a world that has globalized finances but not governance.

Bill Rees. Professor Emeritus at the University of British Columbia and 2007 Trudeau Fellow Art Hanson, Distinguished Fellow with the International Institute for Sustainable Development and 2006 Trudeau Mentor Moderated by Jennifer Clapp. Professor at the University of Waterloo and 2013 Trudeau Fellow MONTRÉAL ROOM, 11TH FLOOR

12:30 P.M. - 1:45 P.M. LUNCH

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# 1:45 P.M. - 2:45 P.M. THEMATIC ADDRESS ON **RESPONSIBLE CITIZENSHIP** The Right to Nomadic Citizenship:

**Beyond Globalization and** Cosmopolitanism

This lecture raises the central question of modern human rights and freedoms in light of two concepts that have defined our social and political well-being since the Age of Enlightenment: the concept of citizenship (national or global/ cosmopolitan) and the concept of justice (legal, moral, humanitarian). While the first is based on the notion of borders, the second can be examined only from within the framework of ethical, altruistic reflection. The question is this: Above and beyond national requirements and globalist utopias, and in light of

the travelling mindset, wary of the impositions of the modern nationstate, how are we to recognize and welcome nomadic citizens who travel the world in search of justice and unconditional hospitality? These citizens, while a minority, are undeniably among us. Professor Telmissany met them on Tahrir Square in Cairo, and she runs into them regularly in Ottawa. Her lecture will attempt to build a profile of this new citizen.

May Telmissany, Author, Professor, and Democracy Activist Introduced by Matthew Gordner, 2012 Trudeau Scholar, University of Toronto MONTRÉAL ROOM, 11TH FLOOR

2:45 P.M. - 3:30 P.M. BREAK MONTRÉAL FOYER, 11TH FLOOR

3:30 P.M. - 5 P.M.

# PANEL DISCUSSION: CANADA IN THE WORLD

The Trudeau Foundation community is known for tackling some of the toughest questions in international affairs. Two Trudeau mentors who rank among Canada's most internationally respected figures will delve into such controversial questions as the future of the responsibility to protect; democracy and human rights in China, Africa, and elsewhere; the promise - fulfilled or unfulfilled? of individually generated information and leaks: and whether the International Criminal Court will outlive the 21st Century

Louise Arbour, President and CEO of the International Crisis Group and 2004 Trudeau Mentor Lloyd Axworthy, President and Vice Chancellor of the University of Winnipeg and 2007 Trudeau Mentor Moderated by Simon Collard-Wexler, 2009 Trudeau Scholar MONTRÉAL ROOM, 11TH FLOOR

5:30 P.M. DEPARTURE FOR TRIBUTE TO ROY L. HEENAN

MEETING POINT: MAIN HOTEL LOBBY

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# **GUIDED TOUR OF POINTE-À-CALLIÈRE MUSEUM**

POINTE-À-CALLIÈRE. MONTREAL MUSEUM OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORY 350, PLACE ROYALE (CORNER DE LA COMMUNE)

#### 6 P.M. - 8 P.M.

# TRIBUTE TO ROY L. HEENAN. CHAIRMAN EMERITUS, THE PIERRE **ELLIOTT TRUDEAU FOUNDATION** POINTE-À-CALLIÈRE MUSEUM



# Saturday 23 November

7 A.M.—8 A.M. BREAKFAST

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#### 8 A.M. – 9 A.M.

# NATIONAL OPINION POLL - RESULTS

Join an exclusive discussion of the findings of a national survey to assess Canadians' opinions on the Foundation's four themes. The survey was commissioned by the Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation in collaboration with Concordia University (responsible citizenship), the Université de Montréal (Canada in the world), the Université du Québec à Montréal (people and their natural environment), and McGill University (human rights and dignity).

Keith Neuman, Executive Director, Environics Institute

Introduced by Margarida Garcia, Professor at the University of Ottawa and 2004 Trudeau Scholar MONTRÉAL ROOM,  $11^{TH}$  FLOOR



### 9 A.M.-10:30 A.M.

## PANEL DISCUSSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND DIGNITY

Many Canadians celebrated recent popular protests in the Arab world. What responsibility do we now share for the consequences of those protests, including religious intolerance, the death of civilians, massive displacements, and economic disaster? Should Canada continue to invest in advancing international human rights law, given the scorecard in Syria and North Korea? And what do Quebec's proposed Charter of Values and the case about Aboriginal schoolchildren before the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal indicate about the status of human rights and dignity at home?

Samantha Nutt, Founder and Director of War Child Canada and 2011 Trudeau Mentor Stephen Toope, President of the University of British Columbia and former President of the Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation Moderated by Rosemary Thompson, Director of Communications and Public Affairs at the National Arts Centre and 2013 Trudeau Mentor MONTRÉAL ROOM, 11<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR

10:30 A.M.—11 A.M. BREAK MONTRÉAL FOYER, 11<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR

# 11 A.M. – 12:30 P.M. THEMATIC ADDRESS ON CANADA IN THE WORLD Globalisation and its Contradictions:

Can Markets and Democracy Co-Exist?

Over the last few decades, power that once resided with governments and bankers has been ceded to international capital markets. Markets now control the prices of interest rates, commodities, foreign exchange, and many forms of bank loans. They are also now truly global, with money easily switching from continent to continent at a click of a mouse. Most of the time, markets offer an efficient way to set prices. But they are prone to overshoot, and they have great power. Governments of emerging market countries can lose the ability to control their exchange rates or commodity prices, for example; markets have also driven frantic attempts to reform the European Union. Many politicians fail to understand the effects their actions could have when refracted through markets, while many market participants do not understand and cannot predict the actions of politicians. How to resolve these conflicts?

John Authers, Senior Investment Columnist, Financial Times Introduced by Pierre-Hughes Verdier, Associate Professor at the University of Virginia and 2006 Trudeau Scholar MONTRÉAL ROOM, 11<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR

12:30 P.M. – 1:30 P.M. LUNCH FORTIFICATIONS ROOM, 9<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR

# 1:30 P.M. – 2:30 P.M. PANEL DISCUSSION ON UNIVERSITIES, RESEARCH, AND THE FOUNDATION'S FOUR THEMES

The X<sup>th</sup> Annual Trudeau Foundation Conference closes with an eye to the future. In this panel, representatives from Montreal's four major universities will be asked for their views of the research areas in the social sciences and humanities in the next decade that will be most relevant to Canada's future and that of the world. What role can be played by Canada's universities and by the Foundation's support, in the challenges that face us now and on the horizon? What are the research community's greatest threats — and its most exciting opportunities?

Graham Carr, Vice President of Research and Graduate Studies, Concordia University Lucie Lamarche, Professor, Faculty of Political Science and Law, Université du Québec à Montréal Frédéric Mérand, Director of the Centre for International Studies at the Université de Montréal (CÉRIUM)

Nandini Ramanujam, Executive Director, Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism, McGill University Moderated by Rosalind Raddatz, 2010 Trudeau Scholar, University of Ottawa

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2:30 P.M. - 3 P.M.

## **CLOSING REMARKS**

Tim Brodhead, Interim President and Chief Executive Officer, The Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation MONTRÉAL ROOM, 11<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR

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