

# 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference of the McGill Institute for the Study of Canada

# Programme

# DAY 1 | Thursday 9th February 2017

# 2:00 PM | Words of Welcome Andrew Potter, Director, McGill Institute for the Study of Canada Michael Goldbloom, Principal and Vice-Chancellor, Bishop's University; Co-chair, MISC Board of Trustees

# 2:15 PM | Survey Report: What do Canadians feel, think, know, and think they know about immigration? Michael Donnelly, Assistant Professor, School of Public Policy and Governance, University of Toronto Allison Harell, Professor, Department of Political Science, Research Chair in the Political Psychology of Social Solidarity, UQAM

**Peter Loewen,** Director, School of Public Policy and Governance, Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Toronto

Moderator: Jonathan Montpetit, Journalist, Canadian Broadcasting Corporation

Media Partner: The National Post

3:45 PM | Coffee Break

# 4:00 PM | Special Address

The Honourable Michelle Rempel, Member of Parliament for Calgary Nose hill

# 4:45 PM | Break

# 5:00 PM | Canadian Exceptionalism in the global context

The Honourable Kathleen Weil, Quebec Minister of Immigration, Diversity and Inclusiveness Introduced by: Alex K. Paterson, Founding Co-Chair, Board of Trustees, McGill Institute for the Study of Canada; and Chairman, Foundation of Greater Montreal (2005-2009)

5:45 PM | Reception

6:30 PM | Speakers' Dinner

# DAY 2 | Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2017

## 8:30 AM | Conference Registration

### 9:15 AM | Words of Welcome

Andrew Potter, Director, McGill Institute for the Study of Canada Antonia Maioni, Dean of Arts, McGill University and Professor, Department of Political Science

## 9:30 PM | The Theory of Canadian Exceptionalism: An exploration of the theory, and its scope and limits

Irene Bloemraad, Professor of sociology & Thomas Garden Barnes Chair of Canadian Studies, University of California at Berkeley

Joseph Heath, Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto Andy Lamey, Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of California San Diego Moderator: John Geddes, Ottawa Bureau Chief, Maclean's Magazine

#### 11:00 AM | Coffee Break

#### 11:15 AM | Integrating Immigrants: A comparative look at what works and what doesn't

Jeffrey Reitz, Director, Ethnic, Immigration and Pluralism Studies, University of Toronto Leslie Seidle, Research Director, Institute for Research on Public Policy Tamara Woroby, Senior Adjunct Professor of Canadian Studies, Johns Hopkins University; Professor of Economics, Towson University (University of Maryland System) Moderator: Elsbeth Heaman, Professor, Department of History, McGill University

#### 12:45 PM | Lunch Break

Featuring a poster session by MISC Canadian Studies students under the advisement of Allison Harell

## 2:00 PM | The Nativist Turn: How worried should we be about rising populism?

Sarah Kendzior, Columnist, The Globe and Mail Doug Saunders, Columnist, The Globe and Mail Debra Thompson, Professor, Department of African American Studies, Northwestern University

Moderator: Mark Sutcliffe, Broadcaster, 1310 News; Columnist, Ottawa Citizen

#### 3:30 PM | Coffee Break

#### 3:45 PM | Keynote Address: As Canadian as possible in the Circumstances

**Bob Rae**, Senior Partner, Olthuis Kleer Townshed LPP; Professor, University of Toronto *Introduced by: Suzanne Fortier*, Principal and Vice-Chancellor, McGill University

#### 4:15 PM | Lucky, Good, and the Future

Scott Gilmore, Columnist, Maclean's Magazine; Founder, Building Markets Guy Laforest, Professor of Political Science at Université Laval Ratna Omidvar, Senator, Senate of Canada Daniel Weinstock, Professor, Department of Law, McGill University Moderator: Nahlah Ayed, Foreign correspondent, Canadian Broadcasting Corporation

#### 5:30 PM | Closing Remarks

### 5:45 PM | Reception