



February 28, 2005 -- 9:00 a.m.

Canada: A Democratic Audit March 11, 2005 Ottawa, Ontario

Fianl Program

9:15 – 10:00 a.m. Registration and healthy breakfast (Room 253-D, Centre Block)

10:00 a.m. Welcome and overview by:

William Cross

Centre for Canadian Studies Mount Allison University Conference Chair

David Docherty

Department of Political Science

Wilfrid Laurier University

Conference Chair

10:15 a.m. - PANEL I

12:00 p.m. POLITICAL PARTIES, ELECTIONS, CITIZENS AND ADVOCACY GROUPS

Chair: R. Kenneth Carty

Department of Political Science University of British Columbia

Speakers: Political Parties

William Cross

Centre for Canadian Studies Mount Allison University

Elections

John C. Courtney

Department of Political Science University of Saskatchewan

Citizens André Blais

Department of Political Science

Université de Montréal

Advocacy Groups Lisa Young

Department of Political Science

University of Calgary

Joanna Everitt

Department of Politics

University of New Brunswick (Saint John)

Discussants: Hon. Terry M. Mercer

Senator

Hugh Winsor Globe and Mail

12:00 p.m. -1:30 p.m. Luncheon (Room 237-C, Centre Block)

Keynote Speaker: Hugh Segal

President

Institute for Research on Public Policy

"Beyond the Adversarial Charade: Can Parliament

Play a Constructive Policy Role?"

1:30 p.m. - PANEL 2

2:45 p.m. CANADIAN LEGISLATURES AND CABINET DECISION MAKING

Chair: Brenda O'Neill

Department of Political Studies

University of Manitoba

Speakers: Canadian Legislatures

David Docherty

Department of Political Science

Wilfrid Laurier University

Cabinet Decision Making

Graham White

Department of Political Science

University of Toronto

Discussant: Hon. David McLaughlin

Deputy Minister

Commission on Legislative Democracy

Government of New Brunswick

Jonathan Malloy

Department of Political Science

Carleton University

2:45 p.m. Break

3:00 p.m. - PANEL 3

4:15 p.m. FEDERALISM, COURTS AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY

Chair: Richard Sigurdson

Dean, Faulty of Arts University of Manitoba

Speakers: Federalism

Jennifer Smith

Department of Political Science

Dalhousie University

Courts Ian Greene

Department of Political Science

York University

Communication Technology

Darin Barney

Department of Communication

McGill University

Discussants: Joseph Peters

Partner Ascentum

F. Leslie Seidle

Institute for Research on Public Policy

6:00 p.m. Dinner (Room 237-C, Centre Block)