

Invitation to Attend the CSLS Seminar Series on Living Standards

"Defining Skills and Quantifying Skill Shortages: A Critical Assessment"

Steven Tobin 4:00-5:30 PM Tuesday, November 12, 2019 Karsh Room, Rideau Club 99 Bank Street, 15th floor Ottawa, Ontario

(please note that the Rideau Club dress code requires men to wear a jacket)

To attend, please RSVP by November 8, 2019 to andrew.sharpe@csls.ca.

Labour market imbalances (specifically labour and skill shortages) continue to be at the forefront of the discussions on the state of the Canadian economy. Yet, there is still much ambiguity regarding the differences between these terms, how to measure them and ultimately, how to adequately respond to them. In this presentation, Steven Tobin of the newly established Ottawa-based Labour Market Information Council (LMIC) will shed light on these related but distinct concepts, focusing on both their definitions and novel ways of empirical measurement set against the backdrop of recent historical developments in this area.

Steven Tobin is the Executive Director of the Labour Market Information Council, a body created in 2017 to improve the timeliness, reliability, and accessibility of labour market information to facilitate decision making of Canadians. He previously worked in the labour market area at the International Labour Organization, the OECD, the federal government and provincial governments. He holds a MA in economics from the University of Victoria.