

Program for the CSLS-AIPR Invitational Workshop "The New Brunswick Economy: The Way Forward," June 9-10, 2022, Delta Hotel, Fredericton, New Brunswick

Thursday, June 9

5:00-7:00 Workshop Registration

6:00-7:00 Welcome Reception

7:00 Workshop Dinner with Keynote Speaker David Campbell (Jupia Consultants) "The Role of Exports on the New Brunswick Economy"

Friday, June 10

Registration is at 8:00

8:30-8:45 Opening Remarks

Kathy Wilson (Academic University of New Brunswick) Andrew Sharpe (Centre for the Study of Living Standards, CSLS)

8:45-10:15 Opening Session: "The New Brunswick Economy: Context for the Way Forward"

Chair: Patrick Lacroix (Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency)

"The Economic and Social Performance of the New Brunswick Economy: Strengths and Weaknesses" Andrew Sharpe (CSLS)

"An Historical Perspective on Regional Economic Policy in New Brunswick" Herb Emery (UNB)

10:15-10:30 Break

10:30- 12:00 Panel 1: "The Emerging Economy for New Brunswick: Green, Blue, Digital?"

Moderator: Robert Campbell (Mount Allison University)

Panelists: Meaghan Seagrave (BioNB) Adrienne O'Pray (McKenna Institute, UNB) Jamey Smith (CoastalSmith Inc)

12:00-1:30 Lunch with Keynote Speaker Tony Venables (Oxford University and University of Manchester) "Regional Disparities, Growth and Inclusiveness: An Overview"

1:30- 3:00 Panel 2: "Growing the Supply Side of the Economy: Immigration, Workforce, Innovation and Productivity"

Moderator: Doug May (Memorial University)

 Panelists: Mary Butler (New Brunswick Community Colleges) John Calhoun (New Brunswick Post-Secondary Education, Training and Labour) Jean Marc Ringuette (International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, IBEW Local 502, NBBTU)

3:00-3:15 Break

3:15- 4:45 Panel 3: "Economic Opportunities and Challenges Posed by the Movement to a Net Zero Economy"

Moderator: Don Wright (UNB Political Science)

Panelists: Gaëtan Thomas (Conseil Économique du Nouveau Brunswick) Andrew McLaughlin (Major Drilling) Lionel Railton (International Union of Operating Engineers)

4:45-5:00 Closing Remarks on the Way Forward for New Brunswick, Herb Emery (UNB)

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