

Invitation to Attend the CSLS Seminar Series on Living Standards

Do the Management Styles of Prime Ministers Affect Public Policy?

David Zussman 4:00-5:30 PM Thursday, March 13, 2014 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 March 11, 2014 to andrew.sharpe@csls.ca.

Prime Ministers in Canada have wide ranging powers and are unfettered in the way they conduct their work. As a result, their personal styles have a significant impact on the way in which the country is managed on a day to day basis, with potential implications for public policy.

Drawing on his recently published book *Off and Running: The Prospects and Pitfalls of Government Transitions in Canada* (University of Toronto Press, 2014), David Zussman will explore personal styles of Canadian Prime Ministers and their impact on policy making and especially on the public service.

Dr. David Zussman holds the Stephen Jarislowsky Chair in Public Sector Management and is Visiting Professor in the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs at the Faculty of Social Sciences and in the Telfer School of Management at the University of Ottawa. From 2003 to 2005 he was the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of EKOS Research Associates. From 1996 to 2003, he was President of the Public Policy Forum. In the mid-1990s, he served as Assistant Secretary to the Cabinet for Machinery of Government and Program Review in the Privy Council Office and before that was responsible for the transition of the newly elected Chrétien government in 1993 and subsequently in 1997. He has published extensively on public sector management and has served on many boards. He recently completed a seven-year term as a part-time commissioner of the Public Service Commission of Canada.