

# WSSR

## WORKSHOPS ON SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH

### Making Good Energy Policy: Is it possible in Canadian democracy?

How the Politics of National Natural Resource Extraction  
are Framing your Future

**Honourable Stockwell Day**

Former President of the Treasury Board

March 3, 2017

9:00am – 4:30pm

Session 1: Budget Basics: The Harsh Realities of the Economics and Politics of How Things Get Funded (or not).  
This session will unravel the sometimes murky process of how billions of dollars are raised federally and then allocated across myriad levels of seemingly insatiable demand.

Session 2: A Brief History of the Extraction of Canada's Natural Resources.  
We will look at where all those resources come from, where they go, and are they being depleted? The questions of the environmental impact of resource development and the role politics plays in this assessment will be explored.

Session 3: Climate Change, Global Warming and Helping Asia.  
Participants will take part in a real-time policy debate on how these issues will determine our future.

#### **Required Readings**

Foster, J.D. "The Many Dangers of Soaring National Debt" <http://www.heritage.org/research/reports/2013/06/the-many-real-dangers-of-soaring-national-debt>

Troush, Sergei. "China's Changing Oil Strategy and its Foreign Policy Implications"  
<https://www.brookings.edu/articles/chinas-changing-oil-strategy-and-its-foreign-policy-implications/>

#### **Recommended Reading List**

Hessing, Melody, Michael Howlett and Tracy Summerville. 2005. Canadian Natural Resource and Environmental Policy: Issues and Approaches. Vancouver: UBC press.

Wright, Gavin and Jesse Czelusta. 2004. The Myth of the Resource Curse. Stanford University.  
<http://web.stanford.edu/~write/papers/Wright%20Res%20Curse.pdf>