

Dear [Recipient's Name],

We hope this message finds you well! Welcome to our monthly newsletter, where we will keep you updated on upcoming events, resources, and general news relevant to the future of Canada's innovation ecosystem.

Upcoming Events

Panel 146



Empowering Society: The Transformative Value of Science, Knowledge, and Innovation
Renforcer l'autonomie de la société : la valeur transformative de la science, du savoir et de l'innovation

Friday, November 22
1:00pm – 2:30pm

The global polycrisis: is Canada ready?

Panel organized by: Institute for Collaborative Innovation Canada



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CSPC 2024 PANEL - The Global Polycrisis: Is Canada Ready?

The panel aims to address the interconnected challenges facing Canada and the world, emphasizing the need for innovative thinking and collaboration across sectors.

- **Date:** Friday, November 22nd, 2024
- **Time:** 1:30 -2:30 PM (EST)
- **Location:** Westin Hotel, Ottawa

Register now

General News

Carleton University & Algonquin College Research Initiatives:

ICI Canada has established partnerships with two academic institutions to explore the polycrisis from different angles. [Carleton University](#), Bachelor of Media Production and Design capstone students will be creating a digital storytelling project exploring the perspective on younger generations. In parallel, [Algonquin College](#), Bachelor of Business Systems Development capstone students will be prototyping a new AI-driven research and visualization tool we are calling Galileo.

Hill Times Op-eds:

Our Founder and President, David Watters has published two op-eds in the Hill Times, [Setting Canada's Research Priorities](#) and [Citizen Centered innovation the way forward for Canada](#). They've sparked conversation about new directions for the future of Canada's STI ecosystem.

October 8th, Aspen Network Meeting:

ICI Members, Bob Walker and Dan Wayner shared ICI's latest insights on re-imagining Canada's STI ambition as a part of the [Canada Innovates Project](#), which provided a terrific round-table discussion with a group of 20 Canadian business and government executives.

You May Have Missed

TalTech Thursday Blog: Greetings from Tallinn

| October 17th, 2024 | Max Peacock

First blog of our bi-weekly blog series by ICI Member, Max Peacock shares his experiences in Tallinn, Estonia in connection with ICI's focus on the global polycrisis and it's implications for Canada.

Citizen Centered-Innovation: The way forward for Canada

| October 24th, 2024 | David Watters

This op-ed advocates for a shift towards "citizen-centered innovation", emphasizing the importance of designing innovation programs that prioritize human needs and societal outcomes rather than solely on technological advancements.

Resources and Reports to Check Out

OECD Agenda for Transformative Science, Technology and Innovation Policies:

This report outlines a framework for governments to adapt their STI policies to address multiple crisis and drive transformative change.

Learn more

The Center for International Governance (CIGI)- Canada Needs a National Strategy on the Future of Innovation:

This opinion piece from Matthew da Mota raises big questions about Canada's future like "What is Canada's overarching innovation strategy? What are its desired futures? What should our plans be for the next five, 10, 20, and 50 years be to accomplish those goals?"

Learn more

Cascade Institute - Polycrisis Research and Action Roadmap:

A collaborative report that outlines a plan to develop polycrisis analysis, outlining key research priorities and methodological approaches to better understand and address interconnected global crises.

Learn more

Visit Our Website for More Information

For more details about our initiatives, upcoming events, and resources, please visit our website: <https://www.icicanada.org/>

A Few Words From Our President...

David Watters

"Recent provincial elections in British Columbia, Saskatchewan, New Brunswick, and forthcoming elections in the US on November 5th and in Canada within the next year, create opportunities for fresh thinking about old problems....such as Canada's weak innovation, productivity and economic performance.

Let's look for opportunities to get together to re-imagine a better future."

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