

2009 SPRING POLICY CONFERENCE



Policy Options for a World in Crisis



The Ottawa Economics Association (OEA) and the Canadian Association for Business Economics (CABE) will hold their Spring Policy Conference March 30-31, 2009 at the Fairmont Chateau Laurier in Ottawa



What a difference a year makes!!

Last year we were addressing "Canada's Opportunities in Uncertain Times". This year we face a world in financial and economic crisis. Canadians and their governments must meet the challenge of riding through this maelstrom.

This year's policy conference is focused on policy options to deal with the current turmoil. We will look at factors that have contributed to the meltdown in financial markets and their effect on the global economy.

Our speakers will help us to identify those factors that will be most important in the future direction of the global and Canadian economies and their contribution to economic recovery.

We start this year's conference with a discussion of factors that have led us here and the most important determinants of the future direction of global economies.

We will discuss the most useful policy options for governments across the world. Are there lessons to be learned from the Japanese experience of the 1990s? Are there better ways to deliver income security?

The Honourable David Emerson, former Minister of Trade and Minister of Industry, our keynote luncheon speaker, will provide us with his insights on the issues, and the policy instruments that government might use to deal with them.

This year's conference will again bring together some of the best economic minds to help us gain a better understanding of the issues and policy responses.

We hope you will join us.

PROGRAM

Monday, March 30

Dinner – Laurier Room

5:30 **Registration**

6:30 **Reception**

7:00 **Dinner**
(Speaker to be confirmed)

Tuesday, March 31

Meetings - Drawing Room

7:45 **Registration and Continental Breakfast**
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8:15 - 8:30

Opening Remarks
Craig Alexander, President, CABE
Peter Hall, President, OEA

8:30 – 9:50

Economic Outlook Panel
David Wolf, Vice President
Merrill Lynch Canada
Douglas Porter, Deputy Chief
Economist, BMO Capital
Markets
Paul Ferley, Assistant Chief
Economist, RBC Financial

9:50

Coffee/Networking Break

10:00 – 11:00

Income Security
Hon. Senator Hugh Segal
Senate of Canada

11:00 – 12:00

Implications of Japan's 'Lost Decade' for the North American Economic and Financial Crisis

Professor Dick Beason
Business and Economics
University of Alberta School of
Business

12:00 **Lunch - Adam Room**

Keynote Luncheon Address
Hon. David Emerson
Former Minister of Trade
and Minister of Industry

2:00 – 3:00

Surviving the Recovery – Policy Options for Small and Medium Sized Enterprises
Ted Mallett
Vice President, Research
and Chief Economist
Canadian Federation of
Independent Business

3:00 **Break**

3:10 – 4:10

The Credit Crunch: Lessons from the U.S. and Canadian Experience
Craig Alexander
Vice President & Deputy Chief
Economist
TD Bank Financial Group

4:10

Concluding Remarks

REGISTRATION:

Registration OEA/CABE Spring Policy Conference Fairmont Château Laurier, Ottawa - March 30-31, 2009

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Organization: _____

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City: _____ Prov.: _____ Postal Code: _____

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CABE (National or Chapter) Member: Yes No

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Policy Conference

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FULL REGISTRATION

OEA/CABE Members \$395.00 [plus GST→\$414.75]
Non-members \$495.00 [plus GST→\$519.75]

RETIRED AND STUDENT MEMBERS

(Not currently in the labour force)

Full Registration: \$150.00 [plus GST→\$157.50]

If you cannot attend the full conference, but wish to join us for dinner or lunch, limited space is available:

Dinner Only, March 30 \$ 94.50 [plus GST→ \$99.23]
Lunch Only, March 31 \$ 57.75 [plus GST→ \$60.38]

METHOD OF PAYMENT

(GST Registration # R121456909)

- Credit card:** Go to www.cabe.ca (on homepage click on 'Links to Store' and go to 'OEA Events' or 'CABE Events')
- Cheque enclosed:** Payable to the Ottawa Economics Association
- Please invoice:** Provide P.O. and invoicing instructions. A \$25.00 administration fee will apply.

Cancellation Policy: Cancellations must be received in writing prior to March 13, 2009 to be eligible for a refund. A service charge of \$50.00 will apply. Substitutions accepted up to conference date.

Hotel Rooms: For registrants requiring a room at the venue site please contact the Fairmont Château Laurier at 1-800-441-1414 quoting conference to get room rate of \$189 per night

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