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ISSP Graduate Program Receives Approval



We are delighted to announce that our proposed graduate programs in science, society and policy have been approved by the Senate of the University of Ottawa.

Pending provincial approvals, the ISSP will be offering a collaborative Master's and a Graduate Diploma in Science, Society and Policy, in both English and French.

The collaborative Master's will provide an attractive option for University of Ottawa graduate students interested in complementing their Master's degree with training in science, technology and innovation policy and governance. The Graduate Diploma will offer

intensive professional training for working professionals and recent graduates in a 1-year program. Both programs aim to develop a cohort of practitioners for both the private and public sectors, with the skills to design and evaluate science, technology and innovation policy.

Stay tuned for more updates and for the program launch date!



Innovation Decalogue: Corporate Endorsement

The ISSP is pleased to announce that the Innovation Decalogue has received corporate endorsement from the Presidents' Committee on Science, Technology and Innovation of the [Association of Canadian Community Colleges](#).



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The Innovation Decalogue outlines ten essential criteria for developing effective innovation policies and for moving Canadian innovation policy to the next level.

The [Innovation Decalogue](#) is still open for personal and corporate endorsement. Please e-mail issp@uottawa.ca if you would like to become an endorser.



Bromley Memorial Event a Success

The 2014 Bromley Memorial Lecture "Policy Framework for Innovation-driven Development in China" was presented on April 24 by Professor Mu Rongping, Director of the Institute of Policy and Management at the Chinese Academy of Sciences and Vice President of the Chinese Association for the Science of Science Policy and S&T Research. Professor Mu outlined Chinese experiences in policy-making based on long-term foresights.



Professor Mu and the 2014 Bromley Event student participants (Professor Mu is 8th from the left)

The [video of Professor Mu's lecture](#) is now available online.

The University of Ottawa [recently signed a far-reaching agreement](#) with several institutions in Lyon. We are pleased to announce that the Bromley lecture and event was included in this promising venture.

Visit the [2014 Bromley event website](#) for more information about the speakers and event participants and to view the event photo gallery.



The ISSP will welcome Dr. Tee Guidotti as Fulbright Visiting Research Chair

We are pleased to announce that Dr. Tee Guidotti, international consultant and scholar in occupational and environmental health, will be joining the ISSP as Fulbright Visiting Research Chair in January 2015 for six months. Vice-President for Health/Safety, Environment and Sustainability at Medical Advisory Services (MAS) and recipient of the William S. Knudsen Award for Lifetime Achievement, Dr. Guidotti brings with him a wealth of knowledge and expertise.



Dr. Guidotti has a special interest in evidence-based medical dispute resolution, that is, the application of scientific evidence to law, adjudication and policy. He will be involved in various ISSP activities.

Visit Dr. Guidotti's [personal website](#) for more information on his professional and academic careers.

Applications are currently being accepted for the Visiting Research Chair in Science and Society for September 2015/January 2016. Visit the [Fulbright website](#) for more information and to apply. Applications must be received before August 1, 2014. You may also wish to contact Margaret McCuaig-Johnston at the ISSP for more details.



ISSP Network Member Activities



The University of Ottawa's online magazine, *Tabaret*, covered ISSP Associate Director of Arctic Development Jackie Dawson's research in a recent article.

Over the last decade, Dawson has cultivated relationships with Inuit communities in Pond Inlet, Gjoa Haven, and Iqaluit in order to better understand and study the social impact of sea ice melt, increased shipping, and economic development on Northern communities. With

the onslaught of new arrivals in these communities, Dawson says that there is an increased need to educate tourists to respect local Inuit communities.

Read the full article, entitled "Experts on Ice," [here](#).



ISSP Associate Director of Graduate Studies Scott Findlay recently published an article in the *Ottawa Citizen* entitled "The Uses of Evidence in Politics."

Read the full article [here](#).



ISSP Senior Fellow Kamiel Gabriel participated in the Chief Scientists and Opinion Leaders Meeting in Montréal on June 10. Assembled by Québec chief scientist Rémi Quirion, this meeting examined different perspectives on science policy and the models for integrating science advice and decision-making.



ISSP Fellow Paul Dufour recently participated and presented in the first ever Science and Diplomacy Course, sponsored by The World Academy of Science and the American Association for the Advancement of Science in Trieste, Italy.

More information on the workshop is available [here](#).

Paul Dufour also presented at the May 28 panel on [Challenges and Opportunities: How Science Policy Contributes to Shaping our Society](#) organized by the McGill Science and Policy Exchange in Montréal.

Partnership Building Continues

We are constantly expanding and strengthening our SSP network in the National Capital Region, across Canada, and abroad.

The ISSP recently sponsored the second annual conference on the [Governance of Emerging Technologies: Law, Policy, and Ethics](#) held by the Center for Law, Science & Innovation at Arizona State University and an upcoming conference, jointly hosted by Carleton University and Dominican University College, "[Jacques Ellul, 20 Years On: Communicating Humanly in an Age of Technology: Jacques Ellul in the 21st Century](#)." This conference will be held July 13-15, 2014 in Ottawa.



Science Policy Roundtable

In collaboration with partners in the Government of Canada and MITACS, the ISSP held a Science Policy Roundtable Incentives Workshop on May 8 to great success. Participants discussed and evaluated incentives aimed at improving the interface between scientists and decision makers. Results will be published shortly in a special "summer reading" edition of SSP News.

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