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Summer Reading



New Series of Policy Briefs on the Science/Policy Interface



With support from a SSHRC Public Outreach grant, the ISSP has developed a new series of policy briefs for publication. The goal of this series is to mobilize academic research beyond the walls of universities and to engage public servants working at the science/policy interface in Canada and abroad. Each brief has been designed to highlight themes and findings in academic literature for the purpose of synthesis, knowledge transfer, and discussion.

The series includes the following eight policy briefs and reports:

1 - [Researchers are from Mars; Policymakers are from Venus: Collaboration across the System](#) by Matthew Gaudreau and Marc Saner

2 - [From Many to One: Integration of Knowledge and Values in Decision-making](#) by Matthew Gaudreau and Marc Saner

3 - [Dealing with Not Knowing: Evaluating and Communicating Uncertainty at the Science/Policy Interface](#) by Matthew Gaudreau, Michael Bordt and Marc Saner

4 - (Workshop Backgrounder) [Making it Work: Incentives to Improve the Science/Policy Interface](#) by Sasha Kebo and Marc Saner

5 - (Workshop Report) [Top Five Management Incentives to Improve the Science/Policy Interface](#) by Michael Bordt and Marc Saner

6 - [A Map of the Interface between Science & Policy](#) by Marc Saner

7 - [The Role and Responsibilities of the Scientist in Public Policy: A Discussion Paper on Science and Government](#) by Bill Jarvis

8 - [A Question of Balance: New Approaches for Science Based Regulations](#) by Bill Jarvis



Technology Policy Timelines

In collaboration with Carleton University's [Regulatory Governance Initiative](#), the ISSP has developed three timelines that outline significant events related to policy and regulation in the fields of **bioenergy**, **nanotechnology** and **synthetic biology** in Canada and abroad. This series includes three documents:



1 - [Timeline: Bioenergy: Policy and Regulation in Canada and the United States](#) by Alin Charrière and Moxi Zhang

2 - [Timeline: Nanotechnology: Policy and Regulation in Canada, Australia, the European Union, the United Kingdom, and the United States](#) by Alin Charrière and Beth Dunning

3 - [Timeline: Synthetic Biology: Science, Policy and Regulation in Canada, Australia, the European Union, the United Kingdom and the United States](#) by Barbara Kubica

Science-Policy Interface: International Comparison Workshop

ISSP Fellow Heather Douglas organized the [Science-Policy Interface: International Comparison Workshop](#) held at the University of Waterloo from May 21st to May 23rd. The event was a great success, with several ISSP members in attendance, including Marc Saner, Paul Dufour and Kamiel Gabriel.

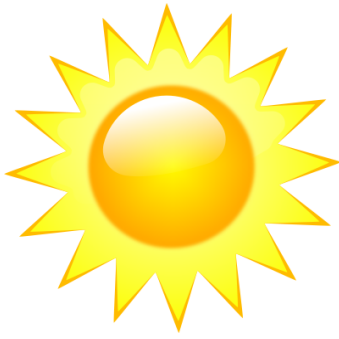
PDFs of the workshop presentations are now available [online](#).



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Stay tuned in the fall for the next issue of SSP News!



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