

# ISSP news

**Institute for Science, Society and Policy**  
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## **ISSP Year 5**



Our fifth year of operation is a time of exciting change. We are expanding out of the Faculty of Arts to better connect to all faculties and we are working on the launch of our first graduate program, planned for next fall. In January, Dr. Tee Guidotti, from Washington D.C. will join us as our first Fulbright Visiting Research Chair.

We are also preparing a new website and a social media strategy. We will cap this year with an event at Congress 2015 on "Technological Unemployment and the Future of Work." S&T policy provides a near endless array of worthwhile topics, and this diversity of issues is one bit of certainty within the complex implications of accelerated science and technology. I hope you keep enjoying SSP News; we really try to keep it short and to the point.



## **ISSP Graduate Program Interim Director**

We are delighted to announce that ISSP Core Group member Dr. Patrick Fafard will be stepping in as Interim Director of the ISSP's new graduate program, which is set to launch next year.

An associate professor at the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs at the University of Ottawa, Patrick Fafard holds a Ph.D. in Political Studies from Queen's University,

where he also taught at the School of Policy Studies from 1995 to 1998. Before joining the University of Ottawa, he also served as Director-General of Strategic Policy and Research at the Intergovernmental Affairs Secretariat of the Privy Council Office of Canada (2002-2005). He also has served in senior positions in the Government of Saskatchewan and with the governments of Alberta and Ontario.

His current research interest is in all aspects of public health policy, and specifically the role of knowledge and evidence. He also has a longstanding interest in federalism and intergovernmental relations, and his current research focuses on the role of provincial governments in the negotiation of international trade agreements.



We are excited to see what Patrick Fafard will bring to this new and innovative program as Interim Director!



## ISSP is Co-organizing a Conference in Taipei, October 16-17

ISSP Associate Director of Technology Innovation Jonathan Linton is co-organizing a high-level conference in Taiwan that will take place October 16-17, 2014. The [International Conference of Science and Technology Entrepreneurship Policy and Regulation](#), which will be held in Taipei, features an impressive program intended to promote communication and collaboration between science and technology policy professionals around the world.



## Science Education Symposium

**INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM**

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SCIENCE ECO

**At the Crossroads of EE and Science Education:  
A Collaborative Research Agenda**

**INVITED SPEAKERS:**

Dr. Larry Bencze – OISE (Canada)  
Dr. Alan Oliveira – SUNY at Albany (USA)  
Dr. Rute Monteiro – University of Algarve (Portugal)  
Dr. Kjellrun Hiis Hauge – Bergen University College (Norway)

October 9<sup>th</sup>  
(Thursday)  
8am – 5:30pm  
Room: LMX 217

The University of Ottawa's Faculty of Education will be hosting the international symposium [At the Crossroads of Environmental and Science Education: A Collaborative Research Agenda](#) on Thursday, October 9, 2014.

Organized and Chaired by ISSP affiliate Giuliano Reis, this symposium will feature invited speakers Dr. Larry Bencze (University of Toronto), Dr. Alan Oliveira (University at Albany, SUNY, USA), Dr. Rute Monteiro (University of Algarve, Portugal) and Dr. Kjellrun Hiis Hauge (Bergen University College, Norway).

To register, e-mail your full name to [crossroads2014@rogers.com](mailto:crossroads2014@rogers.com). Registration is open until **October 1, 2014**.

For more information, contact Giuliano Reis at [greis@uottawa.ca](mailto:greis@uottawa.ca).



## ISSP Network Member Activities



In July 2014, Senior Fellow Margaret McCuaig-Johnston attended the China/Canada Workshop on Building Dual PhD Programs, held in Harbin, China. There were 13 Canadian and 21 Chinese universities represented at the event, at the Vice-President and Dean levels. This impressive workshop was a practical step forward in creating dual degree programs between institutions in Canada and China.

Margaret has recently completed a chapter on Canada/China Relations for an upcoming book on China's International S&T Relations edited by Denis Simon.

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ISSP writer-in-residence Jacob Berkowitz and affiliated professor Kevin Orr teamed up this summer to run a workshop for Berkowitz's play "Entangled" in association with [Theatre 4.669](#). They presented a partial performance of the play in August to great success!

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In August, 2014, ISSP fellow Heather Douglas traveled to Auckland, New Zealand to attend the global conference Science Advice to Governments. Check out the [conference blog and news page](#) for all the updates from the event, as well as a reflection piece on the event by Heather Douglas!

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PhD student Sasha Kebo was interviewed for the [Blue Legacy Expedition](#) documentaries, which take an in-depth look at the Ottawa River, with special attention to its governance, water quality, and the impact of dams. The documentaries was screened on September 24, 2014.

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## Recent Science Policy Publications by ISSP Network Members

ISSP Fellow Paul Dufour published an article entitled "A World Cup for Science Diplomacy" in the July 2014 issue of *Research Fortnight*. The article highlights the main issues covered at the special workshop and training course on science diplomacy jointly hosted by the World Academy of Sciences and the American Association for the Advancement of Science in Trieste, Italy this summer. Paul was invited to participate in this event, which brought together a unique group of experts from around the globe to improve their ability to develop science diplomacy projects.

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ISSP fellows Kamiel Gabriel and Richard Hawkins recently published articles in *Research Money*: "Reaping the Value of S&T Investments in Canada," Dr. Kamiel Gabriel and "Is Canadian innovation past its due date?," Dr. Richard Hawkins.

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## The ISSP Will Launch New Website!

We are pleased to announce the official launch of our new website design on October 30, 2014.

Check it out and let us know what you think! E-mail your thoughts to [issp@uottawa.ca](mailto:issp@uottawa.ca).



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