UPCOMING EVENTS

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW INTERIM RESEARCH DIRECTOR
Brendan Frank joins the ISSP as Senior Research Associate for two years, the first of which will be as Interim Research Director.

Mr. Frank comes to the ISSP after three years as Research Associate at Canada’s Ecofiscal Commission. His training is in science (Bachelor’s in Environmental Science, Queen’s University) and public policy (Master’s in Public Policy, University of Calgary), and he possesses strong research and knowledge mobilisation experience in the public, private and civic sectors. Brendan has worked previously with Natural Resources Canada and ATCO and works on a volunteer basis as Policy Director for the Youth Climate Lab in Ottawa.

He will work as our Acting Research Director while Dr. Marisa Beck is on maternity leave.
The ISSP has launched six new Research and Engagement Clusters, which will enable the ISSP to leverage its strengths, realize synergies, secure larger tri-council grants and other sources of external funding, and expand ISSP networks and reputation within and beyond the University.

- Arctic Change
- Artificial Intelligence and Robotics
- Energy
- Inclusive Innovation
- Risk, Technology and Security
- Science Advice

University of Ottawa’s Positive Energy initiative uses the convening power of the university to bring together academic researchers and senior decision-makers from industry, government,
Indigenous communities, local communities and environmental organizations to determine how to strengthen public confidence in energy decision-making.

Canada’s Energy Future in an Age of Climate Change: How Partisanship, Polarization and Parochialism are Eroding Public Confidence unpacks the core challenges and opportunities when it comes to building confidence in public authorities making decisions about Canada’s energy future in an age of climate change. The study also describes Positive Energy’s research and engagement program for the next three years.

Read the report

Welcome to the new Positive Energy podcast. In our debut episode, Ian T.D. Thomson talks with Professor Monica Gattinger, Chair of Positive Energy and Director of the Institute for Science, Society and Policy, University of Ottawa, about about why Canada’s dialogue around energy and climate issues has become polarized—and what we can do about it.

Listen to Episode 1

September 2019 marks the fifth year the ISSP Collaborative Master’s program is being offered, with eleven participating departments and faculties. We’ve continued to experience a steady rise in the number of inquiries from students and faculty members alike about
the admission criteria and program requirements. To be accepted into the Collaborative Master's program, students must be admitted to one of the participating programs at the University of Ottawa.

**ISSP MEMBER AND RESEARCHER ACTIVITIES**

**Professor Kelly Bronson**, Core Member of the ISSP, Canada Research Chair (Tier 2) in Science and Society and Assistant Professor at the School of Sociological and Anthropological Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Ottawa, co-leads the **Inclusive Innovation** ISSP Research and Engagement Cluster.

- Inclusive Innovation
- Contact Professor Kelly Bronson

**Professor Michael Carolan**, 2020 Canada/US Fulbright Visiting Research Chair in Science and Society at the ISSP, was the Keynote speakers at the ISSP September event, Feeding Discontent: Reflections on How Food Might Save Modern Democracies. He gave a CBC interview on the same morning to promote the talk and discuss his ongoing research.

- Feeding Discontent: Reflections on How Food Might Save Modern Democracies
- CBC Radio Interview [YouTube Link](#)
- Contact Professor Michael Carolan

**Professor Jackie Dawson**, Core Member of the ISSP, Canada Research Chair in Environment, Society and Policy, Associate Professor at the Department of Geography, Faculty of Arts and ArcticNet's scientific co-director at the University of Ottawa, leads the **Arctic Change** ISSP Research and Engagement Cluster.

Professor Dawson was quoted on two Global News article and was one of the Keynote speakers at the ISSP-RCIS September event.
Here's what the federal campaigns are doing to limit their environmental impact (Global News)

Here's how climate change will impact the region where you live (external link) (Global News)

Are We Stressing out the Arctic?

Arctic Change

Contact Professor Jackie Dawson

Professor Paul Dufour, Senior Fellow at the ISSP and Adjunct Professor, University of Ottawa, wrote an op-ed for The Hill Times and one for Research Money.

- When excellence meets equity: re-imagining research chairs (The Hill Times)
- Can a re-imagined STI advisory council overcome “the arrogance of the new” and learn from the mistakes of the past? (Research Money)
- Contact Professor Paul Dufour

Professor Patrick Fafard, Core Member of the ISSP, Associate Professor, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Ottawa and Associate Director of the Global Strategy Lab, was interviewed by Radio-Canada on the dangers of vaping.

- Le vapotage, populaire et... dangereux ? (Interview to Radio-Canada)
- Global Strategy Lab
- Contact Professor Patrick Fafard

Professor Kamiel Gabriel, Senior Fellow at the ISSP, Professor, Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science at the University of Ontario Institute of Technology and Fellow, Balsillie School of International Affairs, was a Keynote speaker at the World IoT Expo in China and was awarded an NSERC CRD 3-year grant for a multi-institutional project aimed at producing green Hydrogen utilizing waste/process heat from high polluting industries, with Canada Nuclear Laboratories (CNL) as an industry partner and Memorial University of Newfoundland as the academic institution partner.

- World IoT Expo
- Contact Professor Kamiel Gabriel
Professor Monica Gattinger, Director of the ISSP, Chair of Positive Energy and Full Professor at the School of Political Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Ottawa, leads the Energy ISSP Cluster.

Professor Gattinger was quoted on an Ottawa Citizen article, written by Tom Spears.

- How government after government has talked big about climate change — then failed to get results (Ottawa Citizen)
- Energy
- Contact Professor Monica Gattinger

Professor Stefanie Haustein, an Assistant Professor at the Department of Information Studies, Faculty of Arts, University of Ottawa, was the Keynote speaker at the ISSP Food for Thought September event.

- Exploring your Publication Network: Demonstrating your Standing in the Scholarly community
- Contact Professor Stefanie Haustein

Jeff Kinder, Senior Fellow at the ISSP, as well as Executive Director, Science and Innovation at the Institute on Governance, published an article about Science Advice on the IOG website.

- Reliable Science Informing Decisions (IOG)
- Institute on Governance
- Contact Jeff Kinder

Professor Lundy Lewis, 2019 Canada/US Fulbright Visiting Research Chair in Science and Society at the ISSP, received funding from Innovation Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED) Accessible Technology Program. The University of Ottawa’s Smart Voice Technology project will develop a series of ‘custom skills’ to use with the commercial voice-controlled Amazon Echo Dot. This solution will help users with cognitive and mental-health related disabilities to get online, add/delete/share items, perform other digital tasks and carry out knowledge-based jobs.
Professor Lewis was also featured on an Ottawa Citizen article.

- **Government of Canada announces new Accessible Technology Program funding recipients**
- **Autism and artificial intelligence: Visiting scholar probes human-robot interaction** (Ottawa Citizen)
- **Contact Professor Lundy Lewis**

**Professor Pascale Massot**, an Assistant Professor at the Department of Political Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Ottawa, participated on the Center for International Policy Studies event, *Alone in the World? Directions for Canada in a Changing World*.

- **Alone in the World? Directions for Canada in a Changing World** (CIPS website)
- **Watch Professor Massot speak at the event** (YouTube link)
- **Contact Professor Pascale Massot**

**Margaret McCuaig-Johnston**, Senior Fellow at the ISSP, University of Ottawa, commented extensively in the media about the current status of Canadian-Chinese international relations.

- **For second time in three months, Canadian warship transits Taiwan Strait** (The Globe and Mail)
- **Canada’s universities and colleges are navigating challenges created by China** (The Hill Times)
- **Contact Margaret McCuaig-Johnston**

**Professor Jason Millar**, Core Member of the ISSP, Canada Research Chair (Tier 2) in the Ethical Engineering of Robotics and AI and Assistant Professor at the School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Faculty of Engineering, University of Ottawa, leads the **Artificial Intelligence and Robotics** ISSP Cluster.

- **Artificial Intelligence and Robotics**
- **Contact Professor Jason Millar**
Professor Daniel Paré, Core Member of the ISSP and Associate Professor, Faculty of Arts, University of Ottawa, with Charles Smith, Associate Professor, Dept. of Political Studies, University of Saskatchewan, in collaboration with the Centre for Freedom of Expression (CFE) at Ryerson University, launched the Freedom of Expression @ Work database.

- Free to Express Yourself Outside of Work? Workplace Discipline in The Age of Social Media (CFE Blog)
- Contact Professor Daniel Paré

Professor Mark Salter, Core Member of the ISSP and Full Professor at the School of Political Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Ottawa, leads the Risk, Technology and Security ISSP Cluster.

Professor Salter participated in the Royal Canadian Navy’s Canadian Leaders at Sea Program, sailing with the Halifax-class Frigate HMCS Ville de Quebec from Nuuk, Greenland to Pond Inlet, Nunavut as part of an Arctic operation, including the exercising of Canadian sovereignty, and wrote a blog post for the Centre for International Policy Studies. He also wrote an article published at the International Political Sociology Journal.

- Sovereignty Served Cold (CIPS)
- Arctic Security, Territory, Population: Canadian Sovereignty and the International (International Political Sociology Journal)
- Risk, Technology and Security
- Contact Professor Mark Salter

Professor Marc Saner, the Inaugural Director and Core Member of the ISSP, as well as Full Professor and Chair of the Geography, Environment and Geomatics Department, University of Ottawa, leads the Science Advice ISSP Cluster.

Professor Saner was one of the Keynote speakers at the Ethics & Values in Assessments events, done by Mercator Research Institute on Global Commons and Climate Change and he was one of the co-authors of the paper A Collaboratively Derived International Research Agenda on Legislative Science Advice, published by Nature.

- Ethics & Values in Assessments
• A Collaboratively Derived International Research Agenda on Legislative Science Advice (Nature)
• Science Advice
• Contact Professor Marc Saner

Professor Sandra Schillo, Core Member of the ISSP and Associate Professor at the Telfer School of Management, University of Ottawa, co-leads the Inclusive Innovation ISSP Cluster.

• Inclusive Innovation
• Contact Professor Sandra Schillo

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