RESEARCH IMPACT CANADA

2021

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

September 21, 2021 to September 23, 2021

All sessions will be accessible at

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A few notes...

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SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

11:00am to 12:00pm   Welcoming new members

David Phipps & Connie Tang

The Annual General Meeting will begin by welcoming our new members to the RIC Network. We will provide an overview of the RIC Network, including an introduction to the operations team and the committees, a review of the welcome kit, and how we work collaboratively with colleagues from other institutions. This is an optional session for those who are not new members of the RIC Network.

12:00pm to 1:00pm   Introductions

Amir Asif (Vice-President Research & Innovation at York University), David Phipps & Connie Tang

The Annual General Meeting will open with a land acknowledgement, followed by opening remarks from Amir Asif, Vice-President Research & Innovation at York University. After attendees introduce themselves (and their pet(s), if they have one), David and Connie will provide an overview of the Annual General Meeting and present the State of the Network.

1:00pm to 1:30pm   BREAK

1:30pm to 2:30pm   Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion & Knowledge Mobilization

David Phipps

A discussion on Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion as it relates to knowledge mobilization.

2:30pm to 3:00pm   Partnerships course module

Félix Desmeules-Trudel

A presentation of the partnerships module developed by RIC operational staff, aiming to consult RIC members on the content and format of the online module.

3:00pm to 3:15pm   BREAK

3:15pm to 3:45pm   Decolonizing Community-Based Research

Joanna Ochocka & Janna Martin

Community-Based Research Canada is a national non-profit organization, advancing community-based research excellence in Canada by strengthening partnerships, bridging capacity, mobilizing knowledge, and championing community-based research among individuals, communities, and institutions. In this presentation, we will describe who we are and what we do, as well as share highlights from our recent learning series on Decolonizing Community-Based Research.

SEPTEMBER 22, 2021

11:00am to 12:00pm Reimagining Academic Career Assessment: Stories of innovation and change report
Bregt Saenen
Bregt Saenen, from the European University Association, was one of the leads in the development of Reimagining Academic Career Assessment: Stories of Innovation and Change report. In this session, Bregt will be sharing his insights on how universities are taking the initiative to improve their academic career assessment practices, while sharing this responsibility with other stakeholders.

12:00pm to 12:45pm Randomized Coffee Talk
An opportunity for RIC members to network. Members will be randomly assigned to a coffee chat with another RIC member.

12:45pm to 1:15pm BREAK

BREAKOUT SESSIONS: RIC Knowledge Exchange

1:15pm to 1:45pm Research Meets Policy @ Simon Fraser University (SFU) Summer Institute - Lupin Battersby
Inspired by Science Meets Parliament, the SFU Knowledge Mobilization Hub designed, piloted, and evaluated a weeklong, virtual, inclusive, summer institute we call Research Meets Policy (RMP) @ SFU. In this presentation, Lupin Battersby will share the structure, strategies, and successes of this event to inspire and inform other institutions to host their own RMP.

Old stories to tell along the St. Francis/Alsig8ntegw - Adrian Burke
The session begins with a 38-minute documentary by Bruno Fraser and Claude Chapdelaine. The film is in French with English subtitles.

This film presents the result of ten years of archaeological research along the Saint François or Alsig8ntekw River in the Eastern Townships (Quebec) and illustrates the rich archaeological heritage of this region covering 11,000 years of Indigenous history. An interdisciplinary team of university researchers and members of the Abenaki Nation present their vision of the long-term human occupation of southeastern Quebec.

1:45pm to 2:15pm Regina Fire & Protective Services - Tim Maciag & Candace Giblett
Over the past years, Regina Fire & Protective Services has provided an interactive activity, delivered by firefighters, designed to lead kindergarten to grade three students through the components of a family fire escape plan. While the original intent of this fire education program is still valid and necessary, the original design has become obsolete and lacks relevance with current technology and communication tools. In collaborating with the University of Regina Software Systems Engineering program, a modern technology was designed and developed by post-secondary students to evolve the teaching tool, saving lives by partnering education and the latest technology and engineering possibilities.

2:15pm to 2:45pm Mobilize U course - Michael Johnny & Krista Jensen
In the summer of 2021, York University, Memorial University of Newfoundland and University of Winnipeg collaborated on the development and delivery of a non-credited knowledge mobilization course called MobilizeU. This course was built off the successful model which York University has implemented for three years now, enhanced with additional content from both Memorial University of Newfoundland and University of Winnipeg. In this session, we will share the history behind this collaboration, the objectives we collectively identified for the course, an overview of content and reflections on the partnership model, along with an overview of the feedback we received from participants from our evaluation.

Knowledge exchange between research and policy: University of Guelph's Policy Fellowship Program - Elizabeth Shantz
In 2018, the University of Guelph piloted the Policy Fellowship program – an initiative that matches policy-makers with academic researchers for dialogue and knowledge sharing. Over the last three years, the program has grown and changed – sometimes, in ways we did not expect! In this session, we will describe the program, its evolution, and share some of our lessons learned about how to effectively build relationships between policy and research.

2:45pm to 3:00pm BREAK

3:00pm to 4:00pm Strategic planning: Management response for phase 2 of RIC evaluation
David Phipps & Evaluation Committee
A discussion on the responses of phase 2 of RIC evaluations.

SEPTEMBER 23, 2021

11:00am to 12:00pm The policy and politics of knowledge mobilization

Etienne Rainville

Etienne Rainville is a Senior Government Relations Officer from Universities Canada. A discussion of the policy and politics of knowledge mobilization federally and an opportunity to discuss federal advocacy efforts.

12:00pm to 12:40pm A discussion on Canadian Knowledge Mobilization Forum 2022 (CKF22) planning

Sylvia Urbanik

A discussion on opportunities for RIC members (and RIC institutions) to be involved in the planning and hosting of the CKF22.

12:40pm to 1:00pm RIC website update

Sylvia Urbanik

A preview of the new RIC website (and opportunities to review before it launches).

1:00pm to 1:30pm BREAK

1:30pm to 2:15pm BREAKOUT SESSIONS: RIC Knowledge Exchange

Skills Catalyst Project - Julie Caldwell & Tara Connolly	Inspiring practices at Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM) - Julie Médam
Following on the work of the David C. Onley Initiative, which explored the employment gap for post-secondary students with disabilities, Carleton University's READ Initiative undertook a collaboration with local post-secondary partners, along with the Ontario Chamber of Commerce, Ottawa Board of Trade, and the Employment Accessibility Resource Network, to design and create a high quality, interactive, digital learning resource called #AbleTo Tap Into Talent Learning Series. This educational tool has been specifically designed to support the increase of accessibility and disability-related awareness and confidence in employment settings and was informed by individuals with disabilities at every stage of the process. This presentation will include a demonstration of online tool as well as provide some information into the key findings that led to the collaboration.	*Let yourself be inspired! We will present several initiatives to support knowledge transfer and mobilization that we have implemented at UQAM since 2019.*

2:15pm to 2:30pm BREAK

2:30pm to 2:40pm An opportunity to be a part of the Communications Committee's evolution – A Communications Working Group

Virginie Portes & Krista Jensen

A discussion on the opportunity to be a part of a communications working group.

2:40pm to 3:30pm BREAKOUT SESSIONS: Committee work discussions

Professional Development Committee - Michael Johnny	Bilingualism Committee - Virginie Portes & Marie-Eve Girard
Review the mandate of Professional Development Committee and explore if its services are remains relevant to the needs of members.	• *Explore the results of the survey further (including ideas for increasing bilingual capacity).* • *Discuss what kinds of bilingual activities would be beneficial to members.*
Evaluation Committee - David Phipps	
Initiatives responding to the RIC Network evaluation.	

3:30pm to 4:00pm Reflections on past 3 days

David Phipps & Connie Tang

In this session, attendees may reflect upon the past 3 days. As a group, attendees will discuss the priorities of the Network to identify the top goals to meet within the next year. The group will also discuss the deliverables and timelines associated with the priorities of these goals.