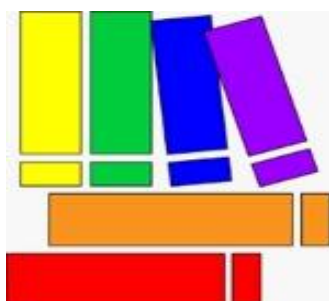


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PRESIDENT'S REPORT



*John Simoulidis
CASC/ACÉC President
Associate Professor (Teaching)
Department of Social Science
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Greetings and happy May Day to all! International Workers' Day is an opportunity to reflect on the labour movement's histories of struggles and to celebrate victories like the 8-hour day, collective bargaining rights, and social security systems. Struggles to preserve these gains continue as we face continued neoliberal restructuring, privatization of public services, growing inequality and the erosion of labour rights. In celebrating the International Year of Co-operatives, let us recognize the importance of continuing our global fight for labour rights, equity and economic justice while also reflecting on the role that co-operatives can play in realizing the aims of the international workers movement, in particular, dignified work. Everyone reading this knows that co-operative values are better for people and the planet. Collective and community ownership provides a humanizing alternative to private property arrangements that dominate our economic landscape. Collective and democratic control of the means of labour will create social relationships in the production of goods and services that embed democracy, equality, equity, and solidarity.

On behalf of the CASC board, we look forward to welcoming those of you who will be attending our annual conference in Montreal, Quebec, July 7-11. It will be held as part of the ICA CCR Global Research Conference, whose theme is "Intercooperation for our Common Futures in Creating transformative change for justice, sustainability and prosperity." It will once again be hosted by HEC Montreal in Partnership with the Association of Cooperative Educators (ACE) and CASC. Those of you who attended our

conference last year will remember how quickly the team at HEC were able to host our conference on very short notice, after we decided to join a boycott of McGill University to show our support for the pro-Palestinian encampment and our solidarity with the members of the Association of McGill Professors of Law (AMPL) who were on strike. Countless volunteer hours go into planning our annual conference, and several CASC members are involved in leading individual streams, but special thanks go to our local conference coordinator Rafael Ziegler, who has once again stepped in as the main conference organizer. If you haven't done so already, [please register](#).

We are still finalizing the conference schedule, as well as the timing of our AGM, but there are a few things to highlight. Co-op researchers from around the world will be presenting their work in streams that feature many CASC members working alongside scholars from outside of Canada. Marcelo Vieta and Judith Harris are co-leading with Ana Heras, (Universidad Nacional de San Martin) the Co-operatives and Decolonizing the Economy stream (#3). Judith is working with Jessica Gordon-Nembhart (City University of New York) to organize the Incarceration and Co-op Solutions stream (#9). Claude-André Guillotte is organizing the Institutional and Legal Framework of the Co-operative and Social Economy Sector stream (#11) with Maryline Filippi (Bordeaux University). Finally, Fiona Duguid and Daphne Rixon (CEARC, Saint Mary's University) are leading the Reporting on Co-operative Sustainability stream (#16).

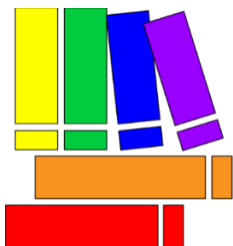
For those of you who will be in Montreal early, we hope that you will be able to join us for an Indigenous Co-op Workshop that will be held on July 7 just outside Montreal in Baie-D'Urfé. This project brings together the Fédération des coopératives du Nouveau-Québec (FCNQ) and Arctic Co-operatives Limited. The FCNQ, established in 1967, is owned by its fourteen member co-ops in the Inuit communities of Nunavik, on the Hudson and Ungava coasts of Northern-Québec, to promote economic autonomy and independence to realize their vision of Atautsikut, leaving no one behind. Arctic Co-operatives Limited, incorporated in 1972, enables its members to provide a wide range of services to their local Member-Owners in order to improve social and economic well-being in their communities. The workshop aims to develop future networking opportunities among Canadian Indigenous co-operatives as well as those in other nations. We are fortunate to have the workshop hosted by the FCNQ at their headquarters, as we seek to advance decolonization and reconciliation with Indigenous communities by increasing CASC member awareness of persistent attitudes and policies that may exclude some communities. We are working on a plan to transport people to the workshop from Montreal—stay tuned for details!

The ICA CCR Young & Emerging Scholars (YES) Workshop is a one-day event that aims at enhancing career development and networking opportunities for early researchers in cooperative studies. Marcelo Vieta will participate in the YES Workshop, which will take place on the day before the main conference on July 7. It is designed for Masters, PhD, post-doctoral students and early researchers in institutions. This is a great opportunity to meet peers and gain new skills and insightful knowledge in the field. Please [visit the conference website](#) to see what funding opportunities are available. The workshop's central theme is decolonizing cooperatives, addressing historical inequalities, and empowering marginalized communities.

Finally, co-op tours are being organized in the afternoon of July 7 to give conference participants an opportunity to discover and learn more about Quebec-based co-operatives. The co-operatives will highlight the challenges faced in their local contexts, as well as the innovative approaches they have developed to address them. Site visits will be by public transit and a small financial contribution will be requested to support the participating cooperatives. Spaces are limited, so please make sure to reserve a spot in advance. Please email info@icaccr2025.org for more information.

In addition to planning the conference, the CASC Board recently had the pleasure of welcoming Mike Toye (Executive Director) and Karen Miner (Vice-President) from Co-operatives and Mutuels Canada (CMC) to our March meeting. We highlighted the important relationship and partnership with CMC on CASC Scholarships and the Ian MacPherson Fund, the promotion of research at the CMC Congress as well as CMC's amplification of our messages in their communications. Our membership supports the valuable work CMC does to support co-operatives by educating people on [how to start a cooperative](#), helping co-operatives access [business development programs](#), and developing a resource hub for [sharing research](#) on co-operatives. We will explore the possibility of hosting a joint event in the future.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the Conference in July!



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ICA CCR Global Research Conference



As 2025 marks the United Nations International Year of Cooperatives, the 5th Global Research Conference of the International Cooperative Alliance will emphasize the importance of intercooperation in creating transformative change for justice, sustainability, and prosperity. The ICA CCR Global Research Conference 2025 will bring together numerous stakeholders from the international cooperative ecosystem, including practitioners and policymakers. In addition to discussing the role of cooperatives in implementing the Sustainable Development Goals, the conference will also be a great opportunity to explore topics related to cooperation, including cooperative governance, business models, and education.

Hosted by the Institut international des coopératives Alphonse-et-Dorimène-Desjardins (IICADD), participants will enjoy the new state-of-the-art HEC Montréal Hélène-Desmarais building in downtown Montreal. The conference is organized in partnership with CASC (Canadian Association for Studies in Cooperation) and ACE (Association of Cooperative Educators), which will hold their annual meetings as part of the conference.

A must-attend event for cooperative researchers!

[Register Now](#)

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[Workshop to Develop an International Network for Indigenous Cooperatives](#)

Key Dates	Abstracts submission deadline:	January 29, 2025
	Notification of decision on submissions:	From February 17, 2025
	Early bird registration deadline:	March 15, 2025
	Last date of registration	June 20, 2025
	Young scholar workshop	July 7, 2025
	Date of the conference	July 8-11, 2025

Partners and Sponsors

The International Cooperative Alliance Research Conference (ACI CCR) is a global biennial event, which acts as an important bridge between academic research and the cooperative world.

Partners

As the organizing host, the Institut international des cooperatives Alphonse-et-Dorimène-Desjardins (IICADD) is delighted to benefit from the collaboration of the following two key partners, whose expertise and networks play an important role in shaping and promoting the event.



The Association of Cooperative Educators (ACE) unites co-operative researchers, educators, practitioners and developers in a single association serving, primarily but not exclusively, Canada, United States and the Caribbean. With beginnings that date to 1952, it has helped bridge geographic, cultural and language divides to share education about co-operation.



CASC/ACÉC is a multidisciplinary network of researchers and practitioners whose work involves co-operatives and co-operation. We promote the sharing of information, experiences, curricula, and research on co-operatives and co-operation broadly understood including Fair Trade, Social Economy organizations, Solidarity Economies, and alternative economic organizations governed to some degree by mutuality.

Sponsors

We would like to thank our conference sponsors, whose support plays a crucial role in enhancing the participant experience and helping us keep the conference fees as affordable as possible.



Interested in playing a role? Get in touch! If you would like to get involved or discuss sponsorship opportunities, please contact the [conference coordinator](#).

Keynotes

Chantal Line Carpentier

Head of Trade, Environment, and Climate Change Branch at UNCTAD



Cynthia Giagnocavo

Professor Universidad de Almería



Yuill Herbert

Principal SSG (Sustainability Solutions Group)



**Odette Lobato**

Professor Universidad
Iberoamericana

**Mélanie McDonald**

Executive Director
Chemin de transitions

**Marcelo Vieta**

Professor University of
Toronto

**Simel Esim**

Head of the ILO's work on
COOP/SSE
Chair of the UN Inter-
Agency Task Force on SSE

[Read More about the Keynote Speakers](#)

Young Scholar Day

About the ICA CCR YES Workshop

The ICA CCR Young & Emerging Scholars (YES) Workshop is a one-day event that aims at enhancing career development and networking opportunities for early researchers in cooperative studies.

The YES Workshop will take place on the day before the main conference to allow everyone who is interested to participate. Designed for Masters, PhD, post-doctoral students and early researchers in institutions, it is a great opportunity to meet peers and gain new skills and insightful knowledge in the field.

To delve deeper into past editions of the YES Workshop, visit the [ICA CCR-YES network webpage](#).

Scholarships and Funding Opportunities

Amy and Tim Dauphinee Scholarship
Centre for Research in Ethics (CRÉ)
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Laidlaw Fellowship

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Lemaire Co-operative Studies Award

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The Québec Circular Economy Research Network (RRECQ)

[Description](#)

Agenda for the day

The YES workshop will take place on July 7, 2025. The workshop's central theme is decolonizing cooperatives, addressing historical inequalities, and empowering marginalized communities. Special guests, such as Prof. Marcelo Vieta and scholars engaged in the [DisCO.coop](#), will offer valuable perspectives and insights on this topic, enriching the discussion and inspiring future research endeavors. Stay tuned for more details!

Location

The YES Workshop will take place at HEC Montréal's brand new contemporary Hélène Desmarais Building.

ICA CCR 2025 Best Student Paper Award

- Deadline for submission due: June 5, 2025 (23h59, Montreal time)
- The ICA CCR steering committee is keen to recognize the best graduate paper with a *Best Young Scholar Paper award*.
- Submit a full paper in English, French, or Spanish.
- Papers should be between 5,000 and 8,000 words in length, including tables, figures, and references.
- Make sure to include an 800-word abstract and four to six keywords
- Format should be in Microsoft Word or PDF
- Please email your paper and abstract at info@icaccr2025.org, with the following subject title: ICA CCR 2025 Best student paper award.

UNTFSSSE Anna Maria O'Neil Award for the best paper on SSE (Student)

The UNTFSSSE (UN Inter-Agency Task Force on Social and Solidarity Economy) award is sponsored by UNRISD, ILO, UNCTAD, Edgard Milhaud Foundation, CIRIEC, TDR, SIHI, and EMES. Papers on social and solidarity economy in general are welcome. The award is \$200.

To submit your paper for the awards:

- Submit a full paper in English, French or Spanish.
- Please email your paper to info@icaccr2025.org. Only full papers submitted by this date will be considered for the UNTFSSSE Award.
- Papers should be between 5,000 and 8,000 words in length, including tables, figures, and references.

- Make sure to include an abstract and four to six keywords.
- Format should be in Microsoft Word or PDF.
- The awards will be handed out at the conference, The awarded papers will be included in the [UNFSSE Knowledge Hub](#) on SDGs with a worldwide reach and large visibility.

Read more information on all [Best paper awards](#)

Need more information?

The [YES Committee members](#) are available to answer any question you may have. Simply email your request at info@icaccr2025.org.

Workshop to Develop an International Network for Indigenous Co-operatives

July 7, 2025

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Notes

- Date: July 7, 2025
- Time: 9.00am (EST) - 4.00pm (EST)
- Location : Fédération des Coopératives du Nouveau-Québec, 19950, Clark Graham avenue, Baie-D'Urfé, H9X 3R8
- The workshop is free and will be held in English
- In order to register for this activity and for additional information, please email j.harris@uwinnipeg.ca by April 30. Space is limited to 40 people.

Invitation to an International Gathering on Indigenous Co-operatives

- A day-long workshop focused on networking for Indigenous co-operatives, hosted by [Arctic Co-operatives Ltd.](#) and La Fédération des coopératives du Nouveau-Québec ([FCNQ](#)) will be held on July 7 in Baie-D'Urfé, PQ (1 hour west of Montreal).
- The workshop will present models of co-operative federation from Arctic Co-ops and FCNQ. Participants will share their experience and will discuss Indigenous co-operatives and identify actions needed to support an effective global network.
- This event contributes to the ICA CCR 2025 Global Research Conference, which celebrates the UN International Year of Co-operatives, 2025. This is an opportunity to highlight the achievements, common challenges, and the unique circumstances faced by Indigenous co-operatives.
- Arctic Co-op, FCNQ and the CASC EDID Committee will provide a space for dialogue, bringing together researchers and practitioners. The workshop outcomes

will be presented at a scheduled ICA CCR 2025 Global Research Conference roundtable. Indigenous co-operators have much to contribute in terms of leadership to achieve the objective of the ICA CCR 2025 Global Research Conference – “Intercooperation for our Common Futures in Creating transformative change for justice, sustainability and prosperity”.

Workshop Objectives

1. To advance decolonization and reconciliation with Indigenous communities.
2. To increase CASC member awareness of persistent attitudes and policies that may exclude some communities.
3. To provide an opportunity for sharing experience and identifying actions toward establishing a network of Indigenous co-operatives.
4. To highlight the importance of co-operative and networking spaces.

Organizing partners

- Mary Nirlungayuk ᐃᐅᐱ ᓂᓗᓐᓴᓴᓴ (Arctic Co-op) and Chhoan Sokchiveneath (FCNQ) are hosting the workshop, sponsored by CASC.
- Sharing circles and small group sessions with Indigenous co-operators will structure discussion of the benefits and challenges of networking.
- Workshop representatives are scheduled to present results at an ICA CCR Conference roundtable.
- Please contact j.harris@uwinnipeg.ca for information on accommodation and transportation to Baie-D'Urfé, PQ (allow 1 hour for travel).
- If you choose to also attend the ICA CCR 2025 Global Research Conference (July 8-11) please [register here](#).

Workshop Agenda (Location: FCNQ, Baie-D'Urfé, PQ)

- Elder: Opening
- Qulliq Lighting: Traditional Inuit Lamp
- Sharing Circle: Brief Presentations
- Presentations: FCNQ and Arctic Co-op
- 12:00-13:30: Lunch
- Small Groups: Benefits and Networking Opportunities
- Sharing Circle: Actions to Establish a Network
- Elder: Closing
- We have a capacity of 40 people for this first gathering

Accommodations Baie-D'Urfé, PQ

Courtyard Baie d'Urfé

- 5 to 10 minutes on foot
- The negotiated rate is \$179 + taxes, all year round

[Double Tree Pointe-Claire](#)

- 10 minutes by car
- The negotiated rate is \$194 + taxes, for the month of July

Directions from HEC MONTRÉAL to FCNQ

Departure: HEC Montréal - Hélène-Desmarais Building, 501 Rue De la Gauchetière O, Montréal, QC H2Z 1Z5

Destination: Fédération des Coopératives du Nouveau-Québec, 19950 Avenue Clark Graham, Baie-D'Urfé, H9X 3R8

Estimated travel time: 60 minutes via the Trans-Canada Highway OR Highway 40.

This event is made possible thanks to the support of the Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences.



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Conference Program

The conference program is currently being developed. A detailed version will be available about one month before the event. Stay tuned for upcoming updates!

[Young scholar](#)[Coop tours](#)[Indigenous Coops Workshop](#)

Question or comment?

- Learn more about [the venue and surrounding area](#)
- [Register now](#)
- Contact us at info@icaccr2025.org

Research Streams

[Stream 1](#)

Agri-food cooperatives and the transition to climate smart and sustainable agri-food systems

Cynthia Giagnocavo (University of Almeria), Hagen Henry (ICA Cooperative Law Committee CLC), Michael Cook (University of Missouri)

[Stream 2](#)

Circular Economy

Maria Odette Lobato Calleros (Universidad Iberoamericana), Sang-Youn Lee (Sungkonghoe University), Rafael Ziegler (HEC Montréal)

[Stream 3](#)

Cooperatives and Decolonizing the Economy

Marcelo Vieta (University of Toronto), Ana Heras (Universidad Nacional de San Martin), Judith Harris (University of Winnipeg)

[Stream 4](#)

Cooperative Governance and diversity

Hanen Khemakhem (UQAM), Myriam Michaud (TÉLUQ), Saoussen Boujelben (ESCS Sfax University)

[Stream 5](#)

Cooperative governance – systems, practices, issues and theoretical advances

Sonja Novkovic (Saint Mary's University), Isaac Nyamongo (University of Kenya)

[Stream 6](#)

Cooperative Law

Ifigeneia Douvitsa (ICA Cooperative Law Committee), Santosh Kumar (Legislation Director, ICA), Hagen Henry (ICA Cooperative Law Committee Chairperson)

[Stream 7](#)

Doing research with cooperatives

Justine Ballon (HEC Montréal), Maude Léonard (UQAM)

[Stream 8](#)

Ethics and cooperatives

Gabriel Monette (HEC Montréal), Camille Ternier (École Normale Supérieure), Thierry Pauchant (HEC Montréal)

Stream 9**Incarceration and Co-op Solutions**

Jessica Gordon-Nembhard (City University of New York), Judith Harris (University of Winnipeg)

Stream 10**Innovation through inter-cooperation**

Luc K. Audebrand (Laval University), Louis Cousin (Laval University & Paris-Saclay University), Devi Vijay (Indian Institute of Management)

Stream 11**The institutional and legal framework of the cooperative and social economy sector**

Maryline Filippi (Bordeaux University), Claude-André Guillotte (Sherbrooke University and Research Network in Social and Solidarity Economy)

Stream 12**The Future of Co-op Education and Development**

Steve Dubb (ACE), Erin Hancock (Saint Mary's University)

Stream 13**Opportunities and challenges for financial cooperatives**

Inmaculada Buendia-Martinez (University of Castilla-La Mancha and IICADD), Thuy Seran (University of Montpellier)

Stream 14**Principle 7 – Concern for the Community - How can cooperatives create a unique bond between members, their communities and the employees in the 21st century?**

Eric Brat (HEC Montréal), Enrique Nunes (EM Lyon)

Stream 15**Renewable Energy Communities and Co-operatives**

Jens Lowitzsch (Europa-Universität Viadrina and Kelso Institute), Derya Tarhan (University of Guelph)

Stream 16**Reporting on Co-operative Sustainability**

Fiona Duguid (CEARC, Saint Mary's University), Daphne Rixon (CEARC, Saint Mary's University)

[Stream 17](#)

Worker coops' power for commoning futures

Isabel Faubert-Mailloux (Réseau COOP), Valérie Michaud (UQAM), Mirta Vuotto (Universidad de Buenos Aires)

Workshop to Develop a Network for Indigenous Co-operatives: Hosted by CASC, Arctic Co-op and FCNQ, July 7, 2025

An invitation to a gathering on Indigenous Co-operatives

A day-long workshop focused on networking for Indigenous co-operatives, hosted by Arctic Co-operatives Ltd. and La Fédération des coopératives du Nouveau-Québec (FCNQ), will be held on July 7 in Baie-D'Urfé, PQ (a half-hour west of Montreal.) The workshop will present models of federation from Arctic Co-ops and FCNQ. Participants will share the experience of Indigenous co-operatives and identify actions needed to support an effective global network.

This event contributes to the Global ICA-CCR Research Conference at Institut international des coopératives Alphonse-et-Dorimène-Desjardins (IICADD), Montreal, July 8-11. The Conference is celebrating the UN International Year of Co-operatives, 2025. This is an opportunity to highlight the achievements, similar challenges, and unique circumstances faced by Indigenous co-operatives. Arctic Co-op, FCNQ, and the CASC EDID Committee will provide a space for dialogue, bringing together researchers and practitioners from the Indigenous co-operative community. The workshop outcomes will be presented at a scheduled ICA-CCR Conference roundtable.

In its report, *Igniting Change* (2021) the Federation of the Humanities and Social Sciences called on member associations

to decolonize practice related to knowledge production, systemic inequities, respect for elders and ceremony and community engagement. In the literature, a number of researchers challenge the mainstream principles and governance structures of the co-operative movement. Thunder & Intertas (2020) conclude that the ICA/Rochdale Co-operative Principles are potentially compatible with Indigenous development initiatives. Salway Black (1994) tells us that there are similar barriers faced by co-operatives across historically colonized nations. These authors shed light on on-going challenges that CASC, Co-operatives and Mutuels Canada (CMC), and co-operatives around the world are working to address.

Objectives of the workshop

- (1). to advance decolonization and reconciliation with Indigenous communities.
- (2). to increase CASC member awareness of persistent attitudes and policies that may exclude some communities.
- (3). to provide an opportunity for sharing experience and identifying actions toward establishing a network of Indigenous co-operatives.
- (4). to highlight the importance of co-operative space and networking,

The workshop plan

Mary Nirlungayuk (Arctic Co-op) and Chhoan Sokchiveneath (FCNQ) are hosting the workshop, sponsored by CASC. Sharing circles and small group discussions with Indigenous co-operators will structure discussion of the benefits and challenges of networking.

Representatives of the workshop are scheduled to present results at an ICA-CCR Conference roundtable. This contribution to the 2025 UN International Year of Co-operatives will highlight the diversity of co-operatives and the significance of enduring forms of co-operation.

The workshop agenda, (location FCNQ, Baie-D'Urfé, PQ)

Elder: opening/drumming

Qulliq lighting: Inuit traditional lamp

Sharing Circle: introductions

Presentations: FCNQ and Arctic Co-op

12:00- 1:30: Lunch

Small groups: benefits and opportunities for networking

Sharing Circle: actions to establish a network

Elder: closing

We have capacity for 25-30 people at this initial gathering.

Please RSVP to j.harris@uwinnipeg.ca

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Hosted by Arctic Co-op and FCNQ, sponsored by CASC, supported by FHSS

More info: <https://icaccr2025.org/indigenous-coops-workshop>

To register for the associated ICA-CCR Global Research Conference: <https://icaccr2025.org/registration>

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Email j.harris@uwinnipeg to RSVP. No registration fee. Space limited to 40 people.

UPDATE FROM THE CANADIAN CENTRE FOR THE STUDY OF CO-OPERATIVES



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*Research and Communications
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 Canadian Centre for the Study of Co-
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 Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of
 Public Policy
 University of Saskatchewan*

1. The Canadian Centre for the Study of Co-operatives celebrated its 40th Anniversary



In 1984, the co-operative sector, University of Saskatchewan, and the Government of Saskatchewan signed a tripartite agreement to fund the first in

Canada—and among the first in the world—research and education centre dedicated to co-operatives. For over forty years, the CCSC has both produced interdisciplinary research, analysis, and conceptual tools that strengthen the co-operative sector and provide postsecondary-level educational programming for students and co-operative practitioners.

2024 marked the 40th Anniversary of the CCSC—this was an opportunity to celebrate our first 40 years and toast to the future of interdisciplinary, collaborative, co-operative research, education, training, and engagement.

As part of the CCSC's 40th Anniversary celebration event, a new [logo](#) for the CCSC was unveiled and a new edition of “[Enquiring, Critical, and Creative Spirit: A History of the Centre for the Study of Co-operatives at the University of Saskatchewan](#)” by Dr. Merle Massie was released. The event was capped off with a passionate and thought-provoking [speech](#) by Dr. Marc-André Pigeon, CCSC Director and Strategic Research Fellow.

You can find the full coverage of the celebration here:

<https://usaskstudies.coop/about-us/ccsc-40th-anniversary.php>

2. Invitation to participate in the Co-operative Youth Education Programs Alumni Survey



The Canadian Centre for the Study of Co-operatives is conducting a national survey of alumni of co-op camps and co-op youth education programs across Canada! This short survey asks you questions about your experiences as a past participant and your current level of engagement with the co-operative sector. Whether you participated 1 year ago or 20 years ago, we would love to hear from you!

Take the Survey: scan the QR Code or use the URL



bit.ly/CoopCampAlumniSurvey



Thanks to our partners



In partnership with co-op camps across Canada, the CCSC is conducting a short national survey that asks alumni of Co-op Camp and Co-operative Youth Education Programs about your past experiences at Camp and how much you engage with the co-operative sector today.

Whether you participated 1 year ago or 20 years ago, we'd love to hear from you!

Scan the QR code or use the link to participate:

<https://bit.ly/CoopCampSurvey>

Please feel free to share this survey with all Co-operative Youth Education Program alumni who you might know!

3. Watch the CCSC's Annual MacPherson Talk and Fredeen Lecture

Over recent months, the CCSC hosted its two flagship annual public lectures: the MacPherson Talk and the Fredeen Lecture.

The MacPherson Talks honour the late Dr. Ian MacPherson, one of the leading lights of the international cooperative movement. Historian, educator, author, and passionate co-operator, Ian personified the relationship between Canadian co-operative academics and co-op practitioners. This year, the MacPherson Talk featured Dr. Joseph Heath and his talk, “**Are Co-operatives More Virtuous than Corporations?**”. You can watch that entire lecture via the following link:

<https://youtu.be/J4MKH9Pf7hE?si=BPLBCafdCW6uYgwt>

The Fredeen Lecture features the research of the most recent recipient of the [Hartley and Margaret Fredeen Scholarship in Co-operative Studies](#). This year, the Fredeen Lecture featured Eylin Jorge Coto and her talk, “**Analysis of the Government Relations between Credit Unions and Farm Credit Canada**”. You can watch the entire lecture via the following link: https://youtu.be/k4my5zq0N7g?si=pTKjKPeTQw_Ny83i

4. Invitation to engage with the ongoing Co-op Conversation series

Since winter of 2021, the CCSC has hosted a monthly Co-op Conversation series. This series serves as a monthly online gathering for co-operative sector professionals to learn from others in the field and exchange information in a casual setting. The Co-op Conversations are held from 12:00 – 1:00 PM (Saskatchewan time) on the first Wednesday of the month.

Recent co-op conversations featured topics ranging from the [introduction to the Cooperative World Map](#) to [what can](#)

[we learn from the demise of the BC Tree Fruits Cooperative?](#)

Our next co-op conversation be taking place on Wednesday, May 7 and it will feature Dr. Murray Fulton and his talk, **“The Dissolution and Evolution of Agricultural Co-operatives: Historic Reflections and Future Projections”**.

Registration to our Co-op Conversations is free to open to anyone. You can learn more and register for our talks here: <https://usaskstudies.coop/news-and-events/talks-and-lectures.php>

The recordings of all the past Co-op Conversations can be accessed via the CCSC’s Youtube Channel here: https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLkrbHK0N4QW7z-nNSqTc2_jPlS8bgX5Jn

5. Enroll in the Graduate Certificate in the Social Economy, Co-operatives, and Nonprofit Sector today!

SOCIAL ECONOMY ORGANIZATIONS, CO-OPERATIVES & NON-PROFITS: POLICY SOLUTIONS WORTH EXPLORING

There is a rich diversity of third-sector organizations—co-operatives, credit unions, non-profits, charities, community associations, social enterprises, and more—working alongside the public and private sectors to provide goods and services to individuals and communities.

The Graduate Certificate in the Social Economy, Co-operatives, and Non-profit Sector (GSECN) is designed for professionals interested in advancing their career in government or the third sector.

PROGRAM FEATURES INCLUDE:

- Three graduate-level classes + one non-credit class.
- Option to specialize in one of three possible streams: 1. Non-Profit stream, 2. Co-operative stream, or 3. Social Economy and Government stream.
- Opportunity to complete the Non-Profit and Co-operative streams entirely online (the Social Economy and Government stream is offered through a combination of online and in-person classes).
- A laddering option for you to transfer into a full master's degree within the Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy and have your coursework count towards a graduate degree.
- A focus on policy, governance, and leadership issues.

This graduate certificate is offered in partnership with the Canadian Centre for the Study of Co-operatives.



The Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy has campuses at both the University of Saskatchewan and the University of Regina.

www.schoolofpublicpolicy.sk.ca

Applications are currently being accepted for the Graduate Certificate in the Social Economy, Co-operatives, and Nonprofit Sector (GSECN). The GSECN is designed for mid-career professionals interested in advancing their career in government or the third sector. The GSECN can be completed entirely online. Learn more about the certificate here: <https://usaskstudies.coop/Learning-Opportunities/Programs.php#TheGraduateCertificateintheSocialEconomyCooperativesandNonprofitSectorGSECN>

DES NOUVELLES DE L'IRECUS / NEWS FROM IRECUS



~Anne-Marie Merrien
Postdoctoral Researcher, IRECUS
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Dans la dernière année, l'IRECUS a concentré ses efforts de recherche sur la thématique de l'engagement coopératif et mutualiste. Cette démarche collaborative compte sur la participation d'une dizaine de représentants et représentantes du milieu coopératif et mutualiste du Québec, œuvrant dans des secteurs d'activités variés (milieu scolaire, foresterie, habitation, agriculture, assurances, finance et développement coopératif régional et international).

La thématique de l'engagement coopératif et mutualiste englobe des enjeux d'importance tels que l'engagement des membres, l'engagement des coopératives et mutuelles envers leurs membres et la



~Josée Charbonneau
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communauté, de même que la gouvernance démocratique. Les premières étapes de la recherche (entretiens exploratoires, ateliers de travail, revue de littérature) montrent que l'engagement coopératif et mutualiste peut être envisagé comme une relation réciproque entre les membres et leur coopérative ou mutuelle et un élément clé de la raison d'être et de la pérennité de ces organisations. L'IRECUS vise un transfert de connaissance en continu qui s'échelonnera sur quelques années.

Outre la recherche sur l'engagement coopératif, l'équipe de IRECUS continue d'être active sur le plan de la formation, par le biais de conférences et de

présentations sur différents sujets liés à la gestion et la gouvernance des coopératives et des mutuelles.

Saviez-vous que?

- L'IRECUS prépare actuellement ses 49^e Assises annuelles. Nous soulignerons bientôt un demi-siècle de recherche et d'éducation sur les coopératives et les mutuelles!
- L'IRECUS rend compte de ses activités et de la gestion de ses ressources à un Conseil d'orientation constitué notamment de 10 personnes représentant une diversité de coopératives et mutuelles. Cette instance accompagne l'équipe de l'IRECUS dans ses grandes orientations et assure le maintien du lien entre le milieu académique et le milieu pratique.
- Consultez notre [site Web](#) pour découvrir notre histoire, notre Conseil d'orientation, nos publications et plus encore!



Over the past year, IRECUS has focused its research efforts on cooperative and mutualist commitment, through a collaborative approach that relies on the participation of a dozen representatives from Quebec's cooperative and mutualist network, from various sectors (school-based, forestry, housing, agriculture,

insurance, finance and regional and international cooperative development).

Cooperative and mutualist commitment encompasses issues such as member commitment, the commitment of cooperatives and mutuals to their members and the community, and democratic governance. The initial stages of the research (exploratory interviews, workshops, literature review) show that cooperative and mutualist commitment can be seen as a reciprocal relationship between members and their cooperative or mutual, and a key element in the raison d'être and perennity of these organizations. IRECUS is aiming for an ongoing transfer of knowledge over the coming years.

In addition to research, the IRECUS team continues to be active on the training front, through conferences and presentations on various topics related to the management and governance of cooperatives and mutuals.

Did you know?

- IRECUS is preparing its 49th Annual Meeting and will soon celebrate half a century of research and education on cooperatives and mutuals!
- IRECUS reports its activities and the management of its resources to an Advisory Board of 10 people representing a wide range of cooperatives and mutuals. This body supports the IRECUS team in its major orientations and allows IRECUS to maintain the link between the academic and field communities.

- Visit our [website](#) to discover our history, Advisory Board members, publications and more!

UPDATE FROM ST MARY'S INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR CO-OPERATIVE MANAGEMENT



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*With Rosa Poirier-McKiggan, Program
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Education and research steeped in the co-operative identity

Dear fellow co-operators!

Happy [International Year of Co-operatives!](#) In times of turbulence, we take comfort in knowing our co-operative movement provides a healing balm for everyday communities working to create caring, just and sustainable futures. We hope our paths will cross soon and this IYC2025 brings you connectivity to people and purpose.

We are pleased to share opportunities to engage with education and research at the

International Centre for Co-operative Management.

Applications are open until May 31 for graduate programs in co-operative and credit union management

Applications are open for [online, part-time graduate programs in co-operative management](#):

- Master of Management, Co-operatives and Credit Unions (3 years)
- Graduate Diploma in Co-operative Management (16 months)
- Certificate in Co-operative Management (10 months)

Imagine graduate education by and for co-operative professionals steeped in the co-operative identity. Imagine an international cohort of co-operators of all types and stripes supporting each other in a peer-to-peer learning environment. Imagine translating new strategies and tools directly to one's co-operative, elevating strategic leadership and the organization's member and community impact. Look no further than our graduate programs designed for working professionals in co-operatives, credit unions, and supporting organizations.

Applications are due May 31 or until full and bursaries are available!

Anyone interested can join an [info webinar](#) or email rosa.poirier-mckiggan@smu.ca to learn more.



**Co-operative Law Summer School
August 24-29 in Pula, Croatia**

The [Co-operative Law Summer School](#) will be held August 24-29, 2025, at Juraj Dobrila University in Pula, Croatia. Join fellow lawyers, economists, policymakers, and co-operators for this immersive master class to examine the links between co-operative law, co-operative identity, and sustainable development.

Enjoy lectures and workshops led by Professor Hagen Henry, Chair of the [International Cooperative Alliance Cooperative Law Committee](#) and special guest speakers on the following issues: How are values and principles translated into rules and legal practice? What types of rules are fitting, and what may cause the 'degeneration' of the co-operative enterprise? How do legal structural elements of co-operatives relate to aspects of sustainable development?

An [international workshop](#) on co-operative law and public policy will be held on August 23, 2025, to kickstart the summer school. This bonus event is free and open to all.

**Credit Union Leadership Program
September 14-19 in Halifax, NS**

[CanadaDE](#) has been described as “transformative and life changing.” Experience it for yourself! Join us September 14-19 in Halifax for Canada Development Education (CanadaDE). This international full-immersion leadership program is by and for credit union professionals who want to build their credit unions as community impact institutions. Learn strategies that will deepen your credit union's value proposition. Join an international network of certified Development Educators and

continue your journey toward the esteemed [ICUDE](#) designation! Seats are limited - [register](#) today! Emerging leader bursaries are available.



Report and Cases on Complex Co-operative Networks

Co-operatives have long been celebrated as powerful vehicles for inclusion, equity, and sustainable development. Central to their ethos is the principle of "Co-operation among Co-operatives." The Centre developed a conceptual framework that expands on the traditional understanding of inter-cooperation by viewing Principle 6 through the lens of complex co-operative networks. Enjoy our Complex Networks for Co-operative Economies [report](#) and three [case studies](#) as proof of this concept.

Elevating co-operative research at ICA CCR Global Research Conference 2025

The Centre is pleased to mark the [IYC 2025](#) by joining fellow co-operative researchers and educators for the [ICA CCR Global Research Conference](#) from July 8-11, 2025, in Montreal. The Centre's faculty and staff—Sonja Novkovic, Karen Miner, Daphne Rixon, Fiona Duguid, Marcelo Vieta, Jessica Gordon-Nembhard, Louis Cousin, and

Cathy Statz—will be involved in various [streams](#) on diverse topics spanning decolonizing the economy to the future of co-op education and development to reporting in co-operative sustainability. We hope to see you there and learn with you!

Tom Webb inducted into the Cooperative Hall of Fame

Tom Webb, founder of our flagship [Master of Management, Co-operatives and Credit Unions](#), will be inducted into the US [Cooperative Hall of Fame](#) in October 2025! Founded in 2003, the master's program has since blossomed into the International Centre for Co-operative Management. We are profoundly grateful for Tom's leadership and steadfast commitment to co-operative education firmly anchored in the co-operative identity. Learn more about [Tom](#) and other [co-operative heroes](#). [Help fundraise](#) for Tom's induction by subscribing to the "Friend of Tom Webb's" sponsorship tier! Consider contributing to our [bursary fund](#) to support co-operative leaders in accessing the co-operative graduate programs so beloved to Tom.



Symposium on Co-operative Identity and Branding, May 19-21 in Halifax, NS

Co-operatives will no longer be the best-kept secret! Join us from May 19-21,

2026, for our [International Symposium on Co-operative Identity and Energizing the Co-operative Brand](#) at Saint Mary's University in Halifax. This event is organized collectively with [DotCooperation](#) and [Northwest Cooperative Development Centre](#). Would you like to attend, speak, or sponsor? [Register your interest!](#)

Let's Connect!

For more information on our offerings, check out managementstudies.coop, our social media at @CoopMgmt, or connect with rosa.poirier-mckiggan@smu.ca.

Yours co-operatively,
Rosa

CO-OPERATIVES AND MUTUALS CANADA (CMC) UPDATE / DES NOUVELLES DE COOPÉRATIVES ET MUTUELLES CANADA

NEW HIRE! Michael Toye, CMC's Executive Director

by [Veronique](#) | Feb 10, 2025 | [News](#)



[A special message to you from Mike](#)

Welcome Michael to the CMC team! Michael will guide CMC as its new leader, equipped with his extensive background in the social economy, community economic development and the co-operative and mutual sector. Advocating for more democratic, inclusive and sustainable economies has been at the heart of his career. Joining the national voice of the co-operatives and mutuals in Canada is a natural next step to continue advancing an economy that serves people and the planet better.

“I’m particularly excited to be joining CMC in this International Year of Co-operatives. Canada’s co-operative movement has been building communities for over 150 years, with over 10 million Canadians now members of a co-operative, credit union or mutual. In times of uncertainty and disruption, co-operatives are a trusted source of stability, resiliency and innovation – today and for the future.”

As the new Executive Director of CMC, Michael will focus on growing the co-operative movement in Canada by supporting CMC’s Members and delivering results on CMC’s strategic priorities. Ultimately, the success of the cooperative movement means making it easier for more people – consumers, policy makers and all Canadians – to understand the value of co-operation and the benefits it offers.

Author of many articles and reports, co-editor of the book *Community Economic Development: Building for Social Change*, Michael has experience, among others, as a consultant in community economic development, a policy analyst, a lecturer, and a researcher. He lives in the traditional territory of the Wabanaki Nation in south-central Québec.

Help us welcome him in the CMC team!

**Nouvelle embauche: Michael Toye,
directeur général de CMC**

par [Veronique](#) | Fév 10, 2025 | [Nouvelles](#)

Bienvenue à Michael dans l'équipe de CMC! Michael guidera CMC en tant que son nouveau leader, fort de sa vaste expérience dans l'économie sociale et dans le secteur coopératif et mutualiste. La défense d'économies plus démocratiques, plus inclusives et plus durables est au cœur de sa carrière. En rejoignant la voix nationale des coopératives et des mutuelles au Canada, il jouera un rôle important dans la construction d'une économie qui sert mieux les gens et la planète.

« Je suis particulièrement enthousiaste à l'idée de rejoindre CMC en cette Année internationale des coopératives. Le mouvement coopératif canadien bâtit des communautés depuis plus de 150 ans, et plus de 10 millions de Canadiens et de Canadiennes sont aujourd'hui membres d'une coopérative, d'une caisse populaire, d'une *credit union* ou d'une mutuelle. À travers cette période d'incertitude et de perturbation, les coopératives sont une source fiable de stabilité, de résilience et d'innovation pour notre présent et notre avenir collectif. »

En tant que nouveau directeur général de CMC, Michael se concentrera sur la croissance du mouvement coopératif au Canada en soutenant les membres de CMC et en obtenant des résultats dans le cadre des priorités stratégiques de CMC. En fin de compte, le succès du mouvement coopératif signifie qu'il est plus facile pour un plus grand nombre de personnes – consommateurs et consommatrices, décideurs et décideuses politiques et tous les Canadiens et les Canadiennes – de comprendre la valeur

de la coopération et les avantages qu'elle offre.

Auteur de nombreux articles et rapports, coéditeur du livre *Community Economic Development : Building for Social Change*, Michael a acquis de l'expérience, entre autres, en tant que consultant en développement économique communautaire, analyste politique, conférencier et chercheur. Il vit sur le territoire traditionnel de la nation Wabanaki, dans le centre-sud du Québec.

Aidez-nous à lui souhaiter la bienvenue dans l'équipe de CMC!

Canada's Federal Election – An Opportunity for Co-operatives and Mutuals

by [Lisa Zentner](#) | Apr 14, 2025 | [News](#)

On April 28, 2025, Canada will hold a federal election at a watershed moment as we respond to economic attacks from our largest trading partner and tackle the ongoing crises of affordability, housing, climate, political polarization, and international conflicts.

While the campaign period unfolds, we have a valuable opportunity to raise awareness about the co-operative model with candidates and incumbents across the country, and to showcase the movement from the Pacific to the Atlantic and Arctic.

Use the tools, resources, and tips below to make your co-operative or mutual voice heard in the lead up to the election:

1. Engage with Canadians

Whether through town halls, door-to-door visits, community events, or campaign meet-and-greets, this is a timely moment to highlight how your co-operative or mutual is making a difference in your community.

Why This Matters:

Sharing stories of local impact reinforces the role of co-operatives, credit unions, *caisses*, and mutuals in building resilient, inclusive communities. It cannot be emphasized enough how important it is on the campaign trail to make the words *co-operative*, *credit union*, *caisse* or *mutual* heard—the more they are heard, the more likely they are to resonate post-election.

How You Can Take Action:

Prepare a 2-minute story about your co-operative or mutual's impact—who you serve, what you do, and why it matters. Bring it up in conversations in your community during the campaign period. Write a short op-ed (see CMC's op-ed below) or LTE (letter to the editor) and submit it to your local paper or post it on your social media channels using #CoopsVote and tag your local candidates.

2. Engage with Federal Candidates

This open letter written in collaboration with CMC member organizations puts together our collective voices in asking federal political leaders and candidates to recognize and support the co-operative model as a key driver of sustainable, inclusive growth.

Why This Matters:

Our model's resilience and community-focus offer vital solutions in today's most pressing economic and social challenges for the benefit of Canadians and Canada's economic future.

How You Can Take Action:

Download the open letter and email it directly to your local candidates. Personalize your e-mail message with a short paragraph about your co-operative or mutual and why your local candidates' support matters. Request a brief meeting or invite them to visit your organization to see the co-operative difference in action.

[An Open Letter to Canada's Political Parties](#)

3. Engage with the Media

Help amplify how co-operatives and mutuals play a key role in driving local economies, creating good jobs, and fostering democratic participation by sharing this op-ed written by Mike Toye, Executive Director of CMC with journalists and media outlets.

Why This Matters:

Letters published in your local newspaper are closely read by candidates who use them to understand what issues constituents are thinking about. These letters also catch the attention of other journalists—if they notice public interest in co-operatives and mutuals, it can raise public awareness and encourage federal leaders to take notice.

How You Can Take Action:

Forward the op-ed to journalists, editors, or media outlets you've worked with or follow. In your message, highlight why the story is relevant to your province, city, and community. Pitch it to your local newspaper or community radio station with a short personal note about a local co-operative or mutual success story.

[An Op-Ed to Media](#)

4. Influence Decision-Makers

Engaging directly with candidates, incumbents, and other decision-makers is one of the most effective ways to champion co-operatives and mutuals. Use our federal government advocacy guide to help you make the most of your meetings and discussions with candidates and incumbents in the lead-up to the election, and well as our other free advocacy resources.

Why This Matters:

Your voice—and your story—can help ensure co-operatives and mutuals are seen as a solution for a stronger, more inclusive Canada. Include data points like how co-ops contribute \$52.8 billion towards the Canadian GDP and generate \$10 billion in taxes for all levels of government (see CMC's op-ed for more stats).

How You Can Take Action:

Schedule a meeting, attend a local campaign event, or connect virtually with the candidates in your riding. Use the Advocacy Guide to prepare 2-3 key messages about co-operatives and bring a story from your own organization that shows real-world impact in your

community. Follow up after the meeting to keep the conversation going.

[Federal Government Advocacy Guide](#)

5. Meet with Candidates

During the campaign, candidates may reach out for site visits, photo opportunities, or to express interest in learning more about your organization. Be prepared for these requests. Discuss internally how your co-op or mutual wishes to respond, including any decisions around endorsing or hosting candidates.

Why This Matters:

Candidate visits to your co-operative or mutual can be valuable opportunities for visibility and a way to showcase its role in the local economy and community. This kind of visit helps personalize the economic impact, turning abstract statistics into real stories. It also gives you a chance to advocate for policies that support co-operatives and mutuals and builds a connection that can influence how that candidate, if elected, represents co-operative and mutual interests in government.

How You Can Take Action:

Hold an internal discussion in advance to set your guidelines—decide who will respond to candidate requests, whether you will host visits, and how to ensure non-partisanship. Designate a contact person and prepare a short information sheet about your co-op's impact to share during a visit. If you choose to host, consider inviting all major party

candidates to demonstrate non-partisanship.

6. Share Noteworthy Interactions or Comments

When candidates speak positively or knowledgably about co-operatives and mutuals—whether it be during debates, in speeches, or in one-on-one conversations—those moments matter. Please notify CMC, your provincial association, and sectoral federation and include a clip, a quote, a photo, or a link. These mentions can be helpful for future advocacy and engagement efforts.

Questions or Support?

For more information or assistance, feel free to contact CMC's Nancy Wanye, Manager, External Affairs at nwanye@canada.coop or Daniel Brunette, Senior Director, External Affairs at dbrunette@canada.coop.

Let's make certain that the co-operative voice is heard during this important time!

CMC encourages you to actively participate in Canada's democratic process and exercise your civic duty by casting your vote. Please note that Canada now has 343 electoral districts and that many boundaries and names have changed. You can visit the [Elections Canada](https://elections.ca) website for detailed information, including the [Voter Information Service](https://voterinformation.ca), to confirm when you head to the polls on April 28.

Les élections fédérales canadiennes – une opportunité pour les coopératives et les mutuelles

par [Lisa Zentner](#) | Avr 14, 2025 | [Nouvelles](#)

Le 28 avril 2025, le Canada tiendra des élections fédérales à un moment décisif, alors que nous répondons aux attaques économiques de notre plus grand partenaire commercial et que nous nous attaquons aux crises actuelles de l'accessibilité financière, du logement, du climat, de la polarisation politique et des conflits internationaux.

Pendant que la campagne électorale se déroule, nous avons une occasion précieuse de sensibiliser les candidat.e.s et les député.e.s fédérales sortants de tout le pays au modèle coopératif et de présenter le mouvement du Pacifique à l'Atlantique et à l'Arctique.

Voici les actions et les outils que vous pouvez utiliser pour faire entendre votre voix coopérative pendant la période précédant les élections:

1. S'engager auprès des Canadiens et Canadiennes

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Que ce soit par le biais d'assemblées publiques, de visites de porte à porte, d'événements communautaires ou de rencontres de campagne, le moment est opportun pour souligner comment votre coopérative ou mutuelle fait une différence dans votre communauté.

Pourquoi c'est important:

Partager des histoires d'impact local renforce le rôle des coopératives, des *credit unions*, des caisses et des mutuelles dans la construction de communautés résilientes et inclusives. On ne saurait trop insister sur l'importance de faire entendre les mots coopérative, *credit union*, caisse ou mutuelle lors des campagnes électorales – plus ils seront entendus, plus ils auront de chances d'être entendus après les élections.

Comment passez à l'action:

Préparez une histoire de 2 minutes sur l'impact de votre coopérative ou mutuelle – qui vous servez, ce que vous faites et pourquoi c'est important. Parlez-en dans les conversations au sein de votre communauté pendant la campagne électorale. Rédigez une courte lettre ouverte (voir la lettre ouverte de CMC ci-dessous) ou une lettre à l'éditeur et soumettez-le à votre journal local ou publiez-le sur vos canaux de médias sociaux en utilisant le mot-clé #CoopsVote et en identifiant les candidates locaux.

2. Engagez-vous auprès des candidat.e.s fédéraux

Cette déclaration des coopératives, rédigée en collaboration avec les organisations membres de CMC rassemble nos voix collectives pour demander aux dirigeants politiques fédéraux et aux candidat.e.s de reconnaître et de soutenir le modèle coopératif en tant que moteur clé d'une croissance durable et inclusive.

Pourquoi c'est important:

La résilience de notre modèle et son orientation communautaire offrent des solutions vitales aux défis économiques et sociaux les plus pressants d'aujourd'hui, dans l'intérêt des Canadien.ne.s et de l'avenir économique du Canada.

Comment passez à l'action:

Téléchargez la déclaration des coopératives et envoyez-la directement aux candidat.e.s de votre région. Personnalisez votre message en y ajoutant un court paragraphe sur votre coopérative ou mutuelle et sur les raisons pour lesquelles le soutien de vos candidat.e.s locaux est important. Demandez une brève réunion ou invitez-les à visiter votre organisation pour voir la différence coopérative en action.

[Une déclaration des coopératives et mutuelles aux partis politiques du Canada](#)

3. Engager les médias

Aidez à amplifier la façon dont les coopératives et mutuelles jouent un rôle clé dans la stimulation des économies locales, la création de bons emplois et la promotion de la participation démocratique en partageant cette lettre écrite par Mike Toye, directeur général de CMC, avec les journalistes et les médias.

Pourquoi c'est important:

Les lettres publiées dans votre journal local sont lues attentivement par les candidat.e.s qui les utilisent pour comprendre les questions auxquelles pensent les électeurs. Ces lettres attirent également l'attention d'autres journalistes – s'ils remarquent l'intérêt du public pour

les coopératives et les mutuelles, cela peut sensibiliser le public et encourager les dirigeants fédéraux à s'en préoccuper.

Comment passez à l'action:

Faites suivre cette lettre ouverte aux journalistes, aux rédacteurs en chef ou aux médias avec lesquels vous avez travaillé ou que vous suivez. Dans votre message, soulignez pourquoi l'article est pertinent pour votre province, votre ville et votre communauté. Présentez-le à votre journal local ou à votre station de radio communautaire, accompagné d'une courte note personnelle sur une réussite coopérative ou mutuelle locale.

[Une lettre ouverte aux médias](#)

4. Influencer les décideurs

S'engager directement auprès des candidat.e.s, des député.e.s sortant et des autres décideurs est l'un des moyens les plus efficaces de défendre les coopératives et les mutuelles. Utilisez notre guide de plaidoyer pour le gouvernement fédéral pour vous aider à tirer le meilleur parti de vos réunions et discussions avec les candidat.e.s et les des député.e.s sortant, au cours de la période précédant les élections, ainsi que nos autres ressources gratuites de plaidoyer.

Pourquoi c'est important:

Votre voix et votre histoire peuvent aider à faire en sorte que les coopératives et les mutuelles soient perçues comme une solution pour un Canada plus fort et plus inclusif. Incluez des données comme le fait que les coopératives et mutuelles contribuent 52,8 milliards de dollars au

PIB canadien et génèrent 10 milliards de dollars en impôts pour tous les niveaux de gouvernement (voir la lettre ouverte de CMC pour plus de statistiques).

Comment passez à l'action:

Organisez une réunion, assistez à un événement local de la campagne ou communiquez virtuellement avec les candidat.e.s de votre circonscription. Utilisez le Guide de plaidoyer pour préparer 2 ou 3 messages clés sur les coopératives et apportez une histoire de votre propre organisation qui montre un impact réel dans votre communauté. Assurez un suivi après la réunion pour maintenir la conversation.

[Guide de de relations gouvernementales](#)

5. Répondre aux demandes des candidates

Au cours de la campagne, il se peut que les candidat.e.s vous contactent pour des visites de sites, des séances de photos ou pour exprimer leur intérêt à en savoir plus sur votre coopérative ou mutuelle. Soyez prêt à répondre à ces demandes. Discutez en interne de la manière dont votre coopérative ou mutuelle souhaite répondre, y compris des décisions concernant le soutien ou l'accueil des candidates.

Pourquoi c'est important:

Les visites de candidat.e.s dans votre coopérative ou mutuelle peuvent être des occasions précieuses de visibilité et un moyen de mettre en évidence son rôle dans l'économie et la communauté locales. Ce type de visite permet de personnaliser l'impact économique, en

transformant des statistiques abstraites en histoires réelles. Elle vous donne également l'occasion de plaider en faveur de politiques qui soutiennent les coopératives et les mutuelles, et d'établir un lien qui peut influencer la façon dont la personne, si élue, représente les intérêts des coopératives et mutuelles au sein du gouvernement.

Comment passez à l'action :

Organisez une discussion interne à l'avance pour définir vos lignes directrices – décidez qui répondra aux demandes des candidat.e.s, si vous accueillerez des visites et comment garantir l'impartialité. Désignez une personne de contact et préparez une courte fiche d'information sur l'impact de votre coopérative ou mutuelle à partager lors d'une visite. Si vous décidez d'accueillir, envisagez d'inviter tous les candidat.e.s des principaux partis afin de faire preuve d'impartialité.

6. Partagez les interactions ou les commentaires dignes de mention

Lorsque les candidat.e.s parlent de façon positive ou compétente des coopératives et des mutuelles – que ce soit au cours des débats, dans les discours ou dans les conversations individuelles – ces moments sont importants. Veuillez en informer CMC, votre association provinciale et votre fédération sectorielle et inclure un extrait, une citation, une photo ou un lien. Ces mentions peuvent être utiles pour les futurs efforts de défense et d'engagement.

Questions ou soutien?

Pour plus d'informations ou d'aide, n'hésitez pas à contacter Nancy Wanye, gestionnaire des affaires extérieures de CMC à nwanye@canada.coop ou Daniel Brunette, directeur principal des affaires extérieures à dbrunette@canada.coop.

Faisons en sorte que la voix des coopératives et mutuelles soit entendue pendant cette période importante !

CMC vous encourage à participer activement au processus démocratique canadien et à exercer votre devoir civique en votant. Veuillez noter que le Canada compte maintenant 343 circonscriptions électorales et que plusieurs limites et noms ont changé. Vous pouvez consulter le site Web d'[Élections Canada](https://elections.ca) pour obtenir des renseignements détaillés, y compris le Service d'information à l'électeur, à confirmer lorsque vous vous rendez aux urnes le 28 avril.

2025 CMC Congress



Congress 2025 is going to be special. The United Nations has declared 2025 the International Year of Co-operatives and we at CMC are seizing this opportunity to celebrate how, by harnessing the power of the co-operation, our sector is tackling current issues and creating a more sustainable and equitable world. From presenters on sustainable agriculture and

energy generation to panels exploring emerging business and social trends, Congress 2025 will ensure our attendees become the trailblazers the world of today needs to become the world of tomorrow.

“The Future is Co-op” is more than just Congress 2025’s theme, it’s what we believe.

CMC’s Congress 2025, presented by [Co-operators](#), will be held at the Hotel Saskatchewan in Regina, Saskatchewan, from June 10 to 11, 2025. The CMC AGM will be held on the morning of June 12.

- Take advantage of our special offer: buy 9 Congress passes and receive 1 additional pass free of charge.
- Are you a CMC member? Use the following code when registering to get a 20% discount:
CMCMem2025
- A young person who wants to learn more about the national co-operative movement can register and benefit from the “Young Co-operator” rate.

Congress Agenda

Consult the Congress agenda to know more about the session times and topics. Speakers will be added as they are confirmed.

[Agenda](#)

AGM on June 12

Save the date! CMC’s Annual General Meeting will be held at the Hotel Saskatchewan on June 12. More details to follow.

Book Your Hotel Room Now at a Discounted Rate

Book your room for the duration of the Congress at Hotel Saskatchewan, where our Congress will take place. Don’t miss your chance to save on your hotel room through our group booking! You have until May 8, 2025, to take advantage of this special offer!

[Book Your Hotel Room Now](#)

Co-operative Governance Course with Co-operatives First and the Canadian Centre for the Study of Co-operatives

A pre-Congress course will be held on June 9, 2025, from 9am to 4:30pm, at the Hotel Saskatchewan in Regina, Saskatchewan. The course fee is \$500 CAD per person and includes refreshments and lunch. Space is limited, so sign up now.

[Register Now!](#)

Sponsorship Package

Our sponsorship package is now available! Become a Congress 2025 sponsor and show our attendees your commitment to a sustainable co-operative future.

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Co-operative Research Exhibition

During Congress, we will be showcasing research projects from the co-operative sector in the form of an exhibition. Thank you to everyone who submitted information to us. We can’t wait to showcase your work and highlight some of your findings!

Congrès 2025 de CMC

Le Congrès 2025 de CMC sera bien spécial cette année. Les Nations Unies ont déclaré 2025, l'Année internationale des coopératives et nous avons décidé d'utiliser cette chance pour célébrer la manière dont notre secteur utilise le pouvoir de la coopération pour résoudre des problèmes actuels tout en créant un monde durable et équitable. Allant de présentations sur l'agriculture durable, sur la production d'énergie à des tendances sociales, le Congrès de 2025 veillera à ce que ses participants et ses participantes deviennent les pionniers du monde d'aujourd'hui pour guider celui de demain.

« L'avenir est coop » est bien plus que le thème de notre Congrès de 2025, c'est aussi ce en quoi nous croyons.

Le Congrès 2025 de CMC, présenté par [Co-operators](#), aura lieu à l'hôtel Saskatchewan, à Regina, en Saskatchewan du 10 au 11 juin 2025.

- Vous êtes un membre de CMC? Utilisez le code suivant en vous inscrivant pour obtenir 20 % de réduction : CMCMem2025
- Profitez de notre offre spéciale : achetez 9 laissez-passer pour le Congrès et recevez 1 laissez-passer supplémentaire gratuitement.
- **Un jeune qui souhaite en savoir plus sur le mouvement coopératif national peut s'inscrire et bénéficier du tarif « Jeune coopérateur ou coopératrice ».**

L'ordre du jour du Congrès

Consultez l'ordre du jour du Congrès pour en savoir plus sur les horaires et les thèmes des sessions. Les conférenciers seront ajoutés au fur et à mesure de leur confirmation.

[L'ordre du jour](#)

AGA le 12 juin L'AGA de CMC aura lieu le matin du 12 juin à l'hôtel Saskatchewan. Plus de détails à venir.

Réservez votre chambre d'hôtel à un prix réduit!

Réservez votre chambre pour la durée du Congrès dans l'Hotel Saskatchewan, dans lequel aura lieu notre Congrès. Ne manquez pas la chance d'économiser sur votre chambre d'hôtel à travers notre réservation de groupe! Vous avez jusqu'au 8 mai 2025 pour profiter de cette offre spéciale!

[Réservez votre chambre maintenant!](#)

Cours sur la gouvernance coopérative avec Co-operatives First et le Centre canadien d'étude des coopératives

Un cours pré-congrès aura lieu le 9 juin 2025, de 9 h à 16 h 30, à l'Hotel Saskatchewan à Regina, Saskatchewan. Le prix du cours est de 500 dollars canadiens par personne et comprend les rafraîchissements et le dîner. Les places sont limitées : inscrivez-vous dès maintenant!

[Inscrivez-vous maintenant!](#)

Nos forfaits de commandite

Nos forfaits de commandite sont maintenant disponibles! Devenez un commanditaire du Congrès 2025 de CMC et démontrez aux participants et aux

participantes votre dévouement envers un futur coopératif durable.

[Nos forfaits de commandite](#)

L'exposition de recherches coopératives

Au cours du Congrès, nous présenterons des projets de recherche du secteur coopératif sous la forme d'une exposition.

Merci à tous ceux qui nous ont soumis des informations. Nous sommes impatients de présenter votre travail et de mettre en lumière certaines de vos découvertes!

The Research Network in Social and Solidarity Economy (RRESS)



Créé le 19 février 2024 par un financement du Fonds de recherche du Québec– Société et culture (FRQSC), le Réseau de recherche en économie sociale Montréal (UQAM), l'Université Laval, et l'Université du Québec en Outaouais (UQO) et ses activités s'articulent autour de quatre axes : l'encadrement institutionnel, législatif et la gouvernance de l'économie sociale et solidaire (ÉSS); l'engagement, le travail et le *care* en ÉSS; les modèles d'organisation et d'action soutenables, et les ancrages, le développement et les retombées de l'ÉSS dans les territoires.

La première année d'activités du RRESS a débuté par des événements de dévoilement qui ont eu lieu à l'automne 2024. Ensuite, à l'hiver 2025, le RRESS a lancé son premier appel à bourses: 22 bourses ont été remises à des personnes étudiantes dans six établissements universitaires différents. Parallèlement, le premier appel à projets s'est déployé jusqu'au 11 avril 2025 et proposait trois catégories dont les visées permettent de stimuler l'amorce de nouvelles collaborations (2 500 \$), soutenir la réalisation de projets de recherche (5 000

et solidaire (RRESS) est porté par quatre cotitulaires issus de l' l'Université de Sherbrooke, l'Université du Québec à

\$), ou valoriser et amplifier des résultats de recherche (2 500 \$). De plus, chaque axe a tenu une activité maillage pour stimuler le dialogue et les idées de projets entre les membres issus du monde la recherche et les membres issus du terrain.

Finalement, soulignons que la structuration du RRESS est bien avancée : la première assemblée générale annuelle des membres, appelée Agora, aura lieu le 13 mai 2025 et à cette réalisation s'ajoute le lancement du site Internet du RRESS au cours du printemps 2025.

Created on 19 February 2024 with funding from the Fonds de recherche du Québec - Société et culture (FRQSC), the Research Network in Social and Solidarity Economy (using the French acronym RRESS) is supported by four co-applicants from the Université de Sherbrooke, the Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM), the Université Laval,

and the Université du Québec en Outaouais (UQO). Their activities focus on four axes: institutional and legislative framework and governance of the social economy; management, work, and *care* in the social economy; sustainable models of organization and action, and the anchoring, development, and impact of the social/solidarity-based economy in local areas.

The first year of RRESS activities began with launch events in the autumn of 2024. Then, in winter of 2025, the RRESS launched its first call for scholarships: 22 scholarships were awarded to students at six different universities. At the same time, the first call for projects ran until 11

April 2025 and offered three categories with the aim of stimulate the initiation of new collaborations (\$2,500), support the implementation of research projects (\$5,000), or develop and amplify research results (\$2,500). In addition, each axis held a networking activity to stimulate dialogue and project ideas between members from the research world and members from the field.

Finally, it should be noted that the structuring of the RRESS is well implemented: the first annual general meeting of members, known as the Agora, will be held on 13 May 2025, and the RRESS website will be launched in the spring of 2025.

CASC/ACÉC MERIT AWARD CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Do you know a deserving CASC/ACÉC member?

The CASC/ACÉC Award of Merit is to recognize an individual's outstanding leadership and contributions to the field of co-operative studies, their mentorship of students and others in understanding the intricate workings of co-operatives, and to acknowledge their ongoing support of CASC/ACÉC.

CASC/ACÉC recognizes that we have many leaders in our midst who have contributed in a variety of ways to raising the profile of co-operatives and co-operative studies through their research on the co-op model.

The award is one way to recognize the contribution researchers make to addressing the real life challenges cooperators face, documenting insights, and chronicling the vibrant growth of the movement. Past winners of the award include Alain Roy, Jack Quarter, Ian MacPherson, Yair Levi, Lou Hammond Ketilson, Leslie Brown, Sonja Novkovic, Greg MacLeod, Marie Bouchard, Donna Balkan, Daniel Côté, Brett Fairbairn, William Nelson, Jessica Gordon-

Nembhard, Denyse Guy, J.J. McMurtry, Darryl Reed, and Isobel Findlay.

Current CASC/ ACÉC board members are ineligible for nomination; board members whose term is expiring at the time of the award or plan not to renew their term may be nominated.

Based on member nominations, the award is typically presented at our annual conference. This year it will be presented at the Global Research Conference, July 8-11.

Submit nominations **by June 1, 2025**, to CASC President John Simoulidis at sims@yorku.ca

From a Community of Practice to a Coop Lab

Over the past few months, we have connected with several cooperatives interested in responsible AI and explored the idea of launching a Community of Practice. Through those **CASC/ACÉC Spring Newsletter 2025** **Networks** What you were looking for with a structured format with a clear learning path, a shorter timeframe, and a more accessible price point.

We took that feedback to heart - and we're excited to introduce the result: the Coop Lab.

The Coop Lab is a 5-week guided program focused on responsible AI for cooperatives. Each week includes a live session, plus curated resources to help you explore the topics in greater depth. It's a hands-on format that combines structure and flexibility, offering practical learning opportunities while keeping the collaborative, peer-based spirit at its core.

[JOIN THE COOP LAB TODAY](#)

International Cooperative Innovation Network—RICI

Become a member of the RICI: Lead global cooperative and mutual innovation!

Joining the RICI means accessing a dynamic global network, connecting with international experts and peers, and contributing to high-impact projects that shape the future of our industry. Take advantage of exclusive rates for major events like GICS, actively engage in the democratic governance of the network and influence the event services you want. By purchasing corporate and preferred shares, you directly support the success and sustainability of our international events, while highlighting your local successes and the concrete impact of your actions.

[JOIN US TODAY AND DRIVE INNOVATION FORWARD!](#)

The International Cooperative Alliance Committee on Cooperative Research Europe (ICA CCR Europe) Conference 2025, June 12-13 Helsinki, Finland

The conference is being organized by the University of Eastern Finland, the leading Business School in cooperative research in Finland. In cooperation with renowned experts and academics in cooperative research, this is a must-attend event for all in the field! The event will be organized at the premises of and in cooperation with the University of Helsinki.

Prior to the conference in Helsinki, a Young Scholars Day will be held in Joensuu, Finland on June 11th. Designed for master's, PhD, and post-doctoral students, attendees will have the opportunity to engage in dynamic, in-depth discussions, receive feedback on their work, and establish life-long networks in a cooperative municipality setting.

With 2025 marking the United Nations International Year of Cooperatives, we are happy and proud to announce that the theme of the conference will be *Cooperative Identity – Who are we as a movement, as a form of organization, and as cooperators?*

The aim of the conference theme is to inspire traditional as well as contemporary perspectives from which to study cooperatives and economic cooperation. Our aim is to encourage scholars to approach the main theme in diverse, versatile, and innovative ways.

The conference will kick off with a reception hosted by the City of Helsinki. The conference program will include keynote speeches by distinguished academics and industry leaders, followed by insightful round-table discussions, panels on crucial subjects and parallel sessions.

Deadline for abstracts: January 31st 2025, and for full papers May 15th 2025. Information and guidelines for submitting abstracts and papers will be posted on the conference website:

<https://sites.uef.fi/ica-ccr-europe-research-conference-finland-2025/>

Registration for the conference will be announced on the conference website.

You are most warmly welcome to join us in the summer and the nightless night of Finland!

Questions or comments? Please contact Prof. Anu Puusa at anu.puusa@uef.fi and copy antti.talonen@uef.fi.

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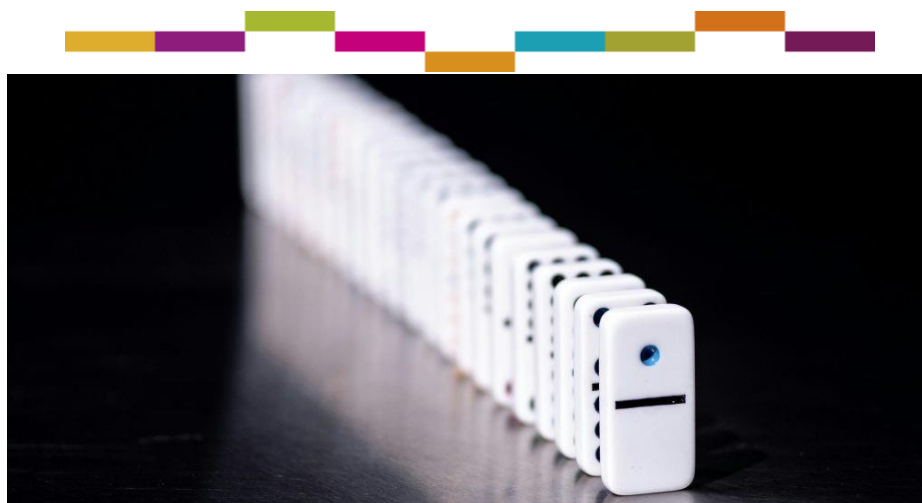
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Facing the Tipping Points: A Call for Cooperative Innovation



Global Innovation Coop Summit – A Landmark Event of the International Cooperative Innovation Network (ICIN)

Since its inception in 2020, the **Global Innovation Coop Summit (GICS)** has been a catalyst for collaboration and innovation within the cooperative and mutualist movement. Bringing together leaders and partners from across the globe, GICS provides a neutral and dynamic space to share successes, exchange ideas, and foster the growth of a more inclusive plural economy.

GICS 2025: Portugal

Following the success of our previous gatherings in Paris (2022) and Montreal (2023), the 2025 edition of GICS will be hosted in Torres Vedras, Portugal, by **Caixa Agrícola of Torres Vedras**.

This year, GICS shines a spotlight on its powerful theme:

“Facing the Tipping Points: The Path

of Cooperative Innovation for a Better World.”

Amid today’s pressing global challenges—climate change, resource depletion, and social inequality—this theme underscores the urgent need for bold and innovative cooperative solutions.

As we celebrate the **International Year of Cooperatives**, GICS’25 serves as a rallying call for cooperative leaders to address these critical issues. Cooperatives are uniquely positioned to champion sustainability, drive global change, and shape a future that prioritizes the well-being of both people and the planet.

Save the Date: October 27–28, 2025

Join us in Torres Vedras, Portugal, for this transformative gathering. Together, let’s explore cooperative innovation, embrace bold ideas, and chart a new path toward a better world.

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**International Journal of Co-operative
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(IJCAM)**

<https://www.smu.ca/academics/sobey/ijcam.html>

Call for Papers

Indigenous Issues and Co-operatives

Together with Guest Editors, Dr. Heidi Weigand, Dalhousie University and Tammy Williams, Saint Mary's University, Halifax, Canada, the Centre of Excellence in Accounting and Reporting for Co-operatives are issuing a call for papers that focus on co-operatives and Indigenous issues.

Topics may include but are not limited to: decolonization, sustainability, adoption of the co-operative model by Indigenous groups, fit of the co-operative model with Indigenous values, facilitation of Indigenous self-sufficiency, self-reliance, and self-determination, preservation of Indigenous culture, creation of economic growth and jobs, and the role of co-operatives in addressing unmet needs of Indigenous people. **Papers from both practitioners and academics are welcome.**

How to submit: [Call for Papers | CEARC | Saint Mary's University](#)

WORTH READING

New issue of *The International Journal of Co-operative Accounting and Management (IJCAM)*

The issue starts with a paper by Fernando Polo-Garrido, Universitat Politècnica de València, Spain and Karel Fouché, University of Pretoria, South Africa. This paper is entitled: **Cooperative Identity: A Review and Future Research Agenda**. The authors conclude that while co-operatives in some industries and countries are successfully linking sustainability principles with their co-operative identity, the importance of educating the public and own members on co-operative principles is necessary to ensure the resilience of co-operative identity.

The next paper is by Dr. Jürgen Schwettmann, Independent Cooperative Development Specialist, Germany, entitled **Cooperatives and the Social Economy: Facilitating the Transition From the Informal to the Formal Sector**. It examines the vast informal sector in African societies.

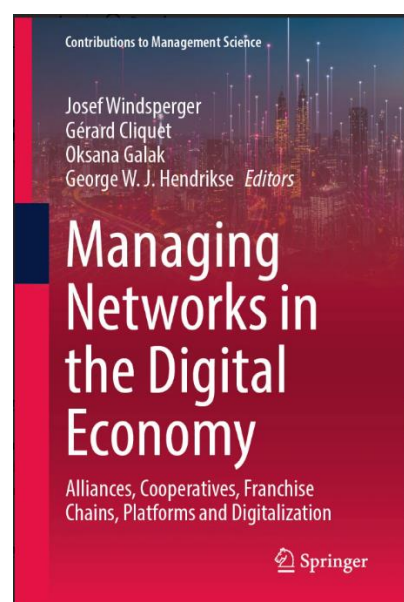
The third paper is authored by Stephen Gill, CEO of VME Co-op & Executive Director and CEO of Coop Exchange. This paper was written as his Final Research Project in Saint Mary's University's Master of Management, Co-operatives and Credit Unions program. Gill's paper, **Redefining Member Economic Participation: The Potential of Pension Contributions in the Cooperative Economy**, argues for the development of co-operative financial

instruments to funnel investment from 'friendly' co-operative investors, under existing guidelines for co-operative principle three, member economic participation.

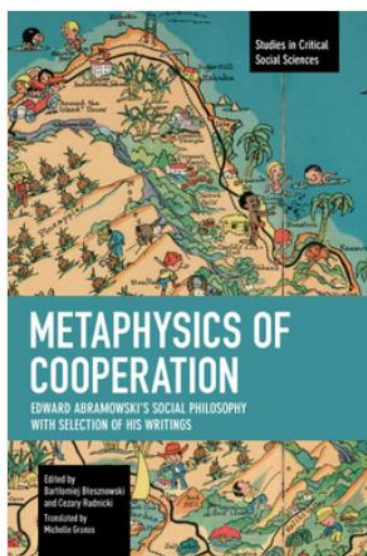
The fourth paper by Sandi Stewart, PhD Candidate, University of New Brunswick, provides a **Literature Review on Measuring and Reporting on the UN Sustainable Development Goals by Co-operatives**.

The final paper by William Cotter, Frank Lee, Bill Taylor and Adrian Miller of the Institute for Collaborative Working, UK, examines **Structured Collaboration: Realising Opportunities in the Credit Union Sector**.

Please enjoy the read. The journal is open and free. Full edition: [Click here](#).



- Provides an overview of the latest developments in networks governance
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The Metaphysics of Cooperation presents the intellectual achievements of the Polish associative socialist and pioneer of social sciences, Edward Abramowski.

The volume is divided into five sections, each of them containing an analysis of the Polish philosopher's work according to the issues he dealt with: sociology, ethics, politics, cooperativism, and psychology. Each part also contains a selection of his writings. The intention is to show Abramowski's works in the context of global intellectual history and bring them

into conversation with current political debates.

Abramowski makes fraternity or cooperation the main concepts of his social metaphysics. The Polish version of cooperativism can be inspiring both for contemporary researchers and political activists in post-economic-crisis Europe. It also opens up a space for creating more democratic political and economic institutions.

- Part of the [Studies in Critical Social Sciences](#) series published by Haymarket Books

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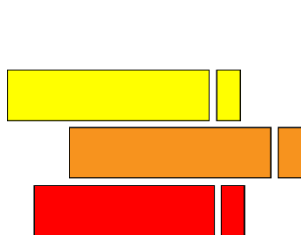
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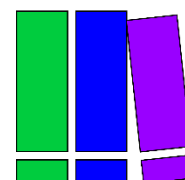
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- *CASC /ACÉC Newsletter* twice yearly
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- *Journal of Co-operative Studies* (3 issues per year)

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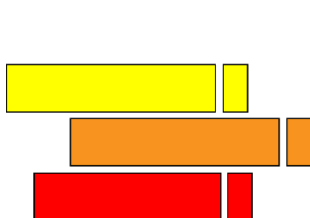
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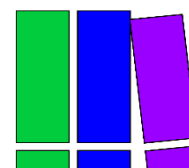
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- Une copie de notre journal interne (deux numéros par an)
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- *Journal of Co-operative Studies* (trois numéros par an)

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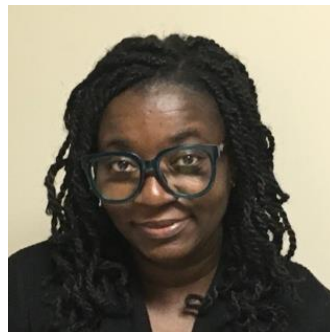
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