



# THE CANADIAN MODEL OF DIVERSITY: CONTEMPORARY CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

**OCTOBER 20, 2017  
9:00AM to 6:00PM**

Canadian society has several aspects that make study of it crucial to understanding global challenges in the twenty-first century. These include migration issues, religious diversity, and the struggle of Aboriginal peoples and minority nations in quest for recognition. The aim of this conference is to analyze the Canadian experience through all its diversity, and to emphasize the decisive contributions of Canadian scholars in these different fields.

## WELCOME & KEYNOTE

### OPENING REMARKS

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#### CANADIAN EXCEPTIONALISM?

#### A MODEL FOR 21ST CENTURY DEMOCRACIES

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## PANELS

### 1: NATIONAL MINORITIES

**Jeffrey Denis**, McMaster University

**Rima Wilkes**, University of British Columbia

**Alain-G Gagnon**, UQAM

Discussant: **Jane Jenson**, Université de Montréal, Successful Societies Program, CIFAR

### 2: CITIZENSHIP

**Mireille Paquet**, Canada Program, WCFIA, Harvard University;  
Concordia University

**Jane Jenson**, Université de Montréal; Successful Societies  
Program, CIFAR

**Elke Winter**, University of Ottawa

Discussant: **Peggy Levitt**, Wellesley College; WCFIA, Harvard  
University

### 3: PUBLIC OPINION

**Antoine Bilodeau**, Concordia University

**Luc Turgeon**, University of Ottawa

**Will Kymlicka**, Queen's University

**Paul May**, Canada Program, WCFIA, Harvard University

Discussant: **Michèle Lamont**, Director, WCFIA, Harvard University

### 4: RELIGION

**Geneviève Zubrzycki**, University of Michigan

**Phil Triadafilopoulos**, University of Toronto

**Tariq Modood**, Bristol University

Discussant: **Jytte Klausen**, Brandeis University; Harvard University