



March 2019 Newsletter

HIGHLIGHT

Conference "25 Years of Public Policy in Québec" to mark the 25th anniversary of CIRANO



As part of its 25th anniversary, CIRANO is organizing the Conference "25 Years of Public Policy in Québec". For the occasion, several researchers will gather to discuss of the major themes that have marked Québec and research at CIRANO over the past decades. The major discussions of the day will also shed light on upcoming public policy issues in Québec.

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A LOOK BACK ON OUR EVENTS

CEO Seminar with Manon Brouillette



Ms Manon Brouillette, President and CEO of Videotron from 2013 to December 2018, shared her experience during a networking reception gathering researchers and business people on February 18. The discussion, led by Louise Roy, aroused great interest among the audience.

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5@7 Association des économistes québécois - CIRANO Public Transit Pricing: Impacts of a Pricing Overhaul



Jean-Philippe Meloche (Associate Professor, École d'urbanisme et d'architecture de paysage at Université de Montréal, CIRANO Fellow and Researcher at Observatoire Ivanhoé Cambridge du développement urbain et immobilier) and Daniel Bergeron (Executive Director, Planification des transports et de la mobilité at Autorité régionale de transport métropolitain (ARTM)) exchanged on the topic of the pricing of public transport. The discussion was moderated by Geneviève Charette (Senior Economist at AECOM). More than 50 people were present at this event co-organized by CIRANO and the Association des économistes québécois on February 28th.

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OUTREACH

Appointment of Professor Marcelin Joanis as Vice-President for Research at CIRANO

In this capacity, Mr. Joanis will be responsible for



developing an overview of CIRANO's research activities in order to ensure their proper functioning and the existence of internal synergy. In particular, he will be responsible for proposing and maintaining an evolving structure for the animation of research at CIRANO organized around major themes.

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Appointment of Ingrid Peignier as Senior Director of Partnerships and Research Valorization at CIRANO



In this capacity, Ms. Peignier will be responsible for strengthening CIRANO's liaison and transfer activities. She will be responsible for promoting research and disseminating research results to different audiences: the research community, partners, government, business and the public. She will oversee the implementation of strategies to foster collaboration between researchers and partners and to ensure sustainable relationships with partners.

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Welcome to CIRANO new Fellows and Researchers



CIRANO is pleased to welcome 11 new Fellow, Associate Fellow, Researchers and Associate Researcher.

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Two CIRANO studies on food fraud presented to the Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de l'Alimentation du Québec



As part of the activities of the Forum Agro, Nathalie de Marcellis-Warin (President and Chief Executive Officer at CIRANO and professor at Polytechnique Montréal) et Ingrid Peignier (Senior Director of Partnerships and Research Valorization at CIRANO) presented the results of two CIRANO studies on food fraud to teams from the Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de

l'Alimentation du Québec (MAPAQ) in Quebec City on February 7th.

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A CIRANO Working Paper honored by the American Economic Association (AEA)



Last February, the American Economic Association (AEA) dedicated a "Research Highlight" to the article "Employment Adjustment and Part-time Work: Lessons from the United States and the United Kingdom" written by Étienne Lalé (Université du Québec à Montréal and CIRANO) (co-written with Daniel Borowczyk Martins). This article was also published in the American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics in January 2019.

[Read the Research Highlight on the AEA](#) →

Two CIRANO Working Papers published in scholarly journals



The article "Fiscal Surprises at the FOMC" written by Simon van Norden (HEC Montréal Montréal and CIRANO) has been accepted for publication in the International Journal of Forecasting.

[Read the article](#) →

Simon van Norden's previous paper "Fiscal Forecasts at the FOMC" written by Justin Leroux (HEC Montréal and CIRANO) was published in the December 2018 issue of the Review of Economics and Statistics.

[Read the article](#) →

NEWS FROM OUR PARTNERS

Manulife becomes a CIRANO partner

Manulife became a CIRANO partner in February and



so becomes our 20th corporate partner. Charles-Antoine Laplante, Head of Strategy & Business Development at Manulife, seats on CIRANO's Board of Directors.

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Three members of CIRANO's Board of Directors promoted



Three members of CIRANO's Board of Directors, Peggy Bachman (Ville de Montréal), Matthieu Roberge (PSP Investments) and Patrick de Roy (Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec), have been appointed to new positions. CIRANO congratulates them!

[More information](#) →

CIRANO is proud to be one of the partners of the Observatoire québécois des inégalités



Officially launched on March 14, 2019 and based at the Université de Montréal, the Observatoire québécois des inégalités will promote the dissemination and popularization of content dealing with inequalities in income, opportunity and quality of life. The Observatoire will inform the public debate with scientific knowledge, in addition to evaluating with evidence the impact of inequalities on affected populations.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Workshop: Joint Montreal Macro Brownbag

 Tuesday, April 2, 2019

The Joint Montreal Macro Brownbag gives Montreal-based researchers in macroeconomics the opportunity to meet and discuss each others' work.

The event brings together researchers from all economics departments in Montreal and promotes their collaboration.

INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION

Seminar: Breakage of underground infrastructure: What are the associated socio-economic costs? What are the risks for workers?

 Friday, April 5, 2019

This seminar proposes an evaluation of all indirect costs (service interruption, congestion, intervention of emergency services, delay in the work, loss of reputation, etc.) related to the breakage of underground infrastructures and will identify the risks to which workers are exposed in the event of breakage of underground pipes and the factors that increase the likelihood that these risks will occur.

INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION

Workshop: Research Group on Human Capital - Using Administrative Data to Inform Public Policy

 Friday, April 5, 2019

Seven academic researchers from the fields of Economics and Sociology will present recent work. The presentations primarily feature empirical research using microeconomic models, with a particular emphasis on questions of identification of causal effects.

INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION

Seminar: Evaluation of interventions focused on the social reintegration of Quebec inmates

 Wednesday, April 10, 2019

Guy Lacroix will present the results of the CIRANO report "Évaluation des interventions axées sur la réinsertion sociale" (co-written with William Arbour and Steeve Marchand).

INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION

Seminar: Linking government assistance programs to public transit to network performance - What model for Québec?

 Vendredi 12 avril 2019

Jean-Philippe Meloche, Georges A. Tanguay and Ugo Lachapelle will present the results of the CIRANO report "Lier les programmes d'aide gouvernementale au transport en commun à la performance des réseaux - Quel modèle pour le Québec ?".

[INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION](#)

Fourth meeting of the 2019 Cohort of Avant-Garde@CIRANO

 Wednesday, April 17, 2019

The theme of this year is "Environment and Climate Change". *Event reserved for the 2019 Cohort of Avant-Garde*

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Conference: Evaluation of language policies in multilingual organizations

 Thursday, April 18, 2019

This conference by Michele Gazzola (Ulster University and University of Ottawa) is co-organized by the Observatoire de la Francophonie économique (OFÉ) of the Université de Montréal and CIRANO.

[INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION](#)

Call for Papers - 2019 Convention of the Association latine pour l'analyse des systèmes de santé

 22, 23 et 24 août 2019

The Convention of the Association latine pour l'analyse des systèmes de

santé (CALASS) will take place on August 22, 23 and 24, 2019 at the Université de Montréal on the theme "Cultures and transformation of health systems".

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RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Project Reports

Évaluation des interventions axées sur la réinsertion sociale
(William Arbour, Guy Lacroix, Steeve Marchand)

Impact de la modification de la structure tarifaire américaine sur les exportations bioalimentaires québécoises - Partie 1 : Une analyse par le biais des élasticités au commerce
(Lota Dabio Tamini, Mankan M. Koné, Aristide B. Valéa)

Impact de la modification de la structure tarifaire américaine sur les exportations bioalimentaires québécoises - Partie 2 : Structure du commerce et des investissements directs étrangers des principaux produits agricoles transformés du Canada
(Lota Dabio Tamini, Mankan M. Koné, Aristide B. Valéa)

Prévisions de l'activité économique en temps de crise
(Rachidi Kotchoni, Manuel Paquette-Dupuis, Dalibor Stevanovic)

Identification des points de retournement du cycle économique au Canada
(Rachidi Kotchoni, Dalibor Stevanovic, Stéphane Surprenant)

[Lier les programmes d'aide gouvernementale au transport en commun](#)

à la performance des réseaux - Quel modèle pour le Québec ?
(Jean-Philippe Meloche, Georges A. Tanguay, Ugo Lachapelle,
Stéphanie Boulenger)

Working Papers

Quality and Price Personalization under Customer Recognition: A
Dynamic Monopoly Model
(Didier Laussel, Ngo Van Long, Joana Resende)

The Curse of Knowledge: Having Access to Customer Information
Can Reduce Monopoly Profit
(Didier Laussel, Ngo Van Long, Joana Resende)

L'encadrement juridique de la cohabitation des cultures
génétiquement modifiées, conventionnelles et biologiques
(Suzanne Bisailon, Ejan Mackaay, Sarah Barrère)

[ALL PUBLICATIONS](#)

