



## September 2020 Newsletter

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Wish you  
a great start!



Dear colleagues, partners and collaborators,

This year, even if the back-to-school season goes online or with social distancing, researchers, visiting fellows and [the special COVID-19 expert committee](#) continue to remain

mobilized in this context of unprecedented crisis to help governments and our partners base their decision making on evidence and expert advice.

Since March 2020, this mobilization has been reflected in [more than 20 CIRANO project reports and working](#)

[papers related to COVID-19](#) as well as [more than 30 articles in the Insights Series](#). CIRANO Researchers have also been - and still are - present in the media with [more than 100 articles or citations](#). All of these contributions are available on our [website dedicated to COVID-19](#), which is regularly updated.

Researchers have also responded in large numbers to the call of Quebec's Minister of Finance by proposing avenues to be favoured, notably in health, education, the economy and public finance to support economic recovery.

It is important to underline the strength and importance of the CIRANO network and the [Main Researchers](#) to mobilize and collaborate collectives of researchers from all Quebec universities.

We are actively working on the programming of fall activities as well as on the valorization of research results.

Have a good start to the new school year,

Nathalie de Marcellis-Warin  
President and CEO of CIRANO

## COVID-19: Publications by CIRANO Researchers in the context of the Minister of Finance's call for contributions



Quebec Minister of Finance Eric Girard issued a call to the academic economists community to propose actions to accelerate the economic recovery, ensure sustainable economic growth, revitalize Quebec's regions and reduce the budget deficit that will result from the COVID-19 pandemic, while maintaining adequate funding for health and education. CIRANO Researchers mobilized to respond to this call by producing four research project reports, the results of which were submitted to the government on August 21, 2020. Several discussion papers have also been submitted on major issues of health, education and economic recovery.

The reports produced are available [here](#).

Documents for reflection:

- [La santé au cœur de la relance économique du Québec](#)
- [Favoriser l'acquisition en capital humain durant la pandémie : un investissement rentable pour l'emploi et la croissance économique](#)
- [Réflexions pour la relance du Québec : productivité de la main-d'œuvre, investissements et mutations du commerce international](#)

Project Reports:

- [Conséquences de la COVID-19 : Étude de l'impact des taux d'intérêt négatifs](#)

[Soutien à l'investissement résidentiel et approvisionnement local des administrations publiques en période post-Covid-19](#)

- [Perceptions des risques et relance de l'économie en situation de pandémie de la COVID-19](#)
- [Le numérique comme levier au développement régional durable](#)

## CIRANO NEWS

### Welcome to the new CIRANO Researchers



CIRANO is pleased to welcome three new researchers: Réjean Hébert (École de santé publique de l'Université de Montréal), Sophie Osotimehin (École des sciences de la gestion de l'Université du Québec à Montréal) and Josée St-Pierre (Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières).

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### Roxane Borgès Da Silva appointed researcher in charge of the CIRANO Pole on the Efficiency of Health Services and Policies



Roxane Borgès Da Silva, Professor at Université de Montréal and Main Researcher of the theme Demography and Health, appointed researcher in charge of the CIRANO Pole on the Efficiency of Health Services and Policies.

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### 3\$ 32,000 awarded to winners of the 2020 Bourstad Challenge and 5th edition of the Bourstad Program

The 2020 Bourstad Challenge jury chaired by Mr. Michel Gariépy (Autorité des marchés financiers) has issued the list of winners of the Challenge; these awards were accompanied by prizes totaling over \$



32,000.

High schools, CEGEPs and community colleges across Canada are invited to register with the 2020-2021 Bourstad Program. It is the 5th edition of this program. Bourstad is an exciting way to get familiar with the world of economics and finance.

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## OUTREACH

### **Michel Cossette nominated for an HR Recognition Award from the Ordre des conseillers en ressources humaines agréés**



Michel Cossette, Associate Professor in the Department of Human Resources Management at HEC Montréal and CIRANO Researcher and Fellow, has been nominated for an HR Recognition Award from the Ordre des conseillers en ressources humaines agréés in the "Book of the Year" category with his book *L'analytique ressources humaines - Mesurer, évaluer et décider pour optimiser la gestion du capital* (Analytical Framework of Human Resources - Measure, Assess, and Decide to Optimize Human Capital Management) published by Éditions JFD inc. Professor Michel Cossette was in a refresher year at CIRANO while writing this book.

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### **CIRANO ends its "virtual tour" of the Laurentian region**

Following the publication of the CIRANO report on the Laurentian region's attractiveness factors ("Étude des



facteurs d'attractivité de la région des Laurentides") co-written by Jean-Denis Garon and Georges Tanguay (Université du Québec à Montréal), Jean-Philippe Meloche (Université de Montréal), Nathalie de Marcellis-Warin (Polytechnique Montréal), Ingrid Peignier and Molivann Panot (CIRANO), a "virtual tour" was organized with personalized presentations in the 8 MRCs of the Laurentians region to present the main results. More than 150 people participated in the presentations.

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## A LOOK BACK ON OUR EVENTS

### **Several CIRANO Researchers participated in the Symposium on Public Finances in Quebec**



Several CIRANO Researchers participated in the Symposium on Public Finances in Quebec organized by Luc Godbout, Holder of the Chaire en fiscalité et finances publiques, CIRANO Researcher and Fellow. The Prime Minister of Quebec and the Minister of Finance honoured us with their presence at the opening of the symposium.

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### **Monique Leroux talks with the 2020 Cohort of Avant-Garde@CIRANO**



On August 27, 2020, Monique Leroux, Chair of the Industrial Strategy Council for Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada, shared her experience on the theme "Leadership in times of crisis" with members of the 2020 Cohort of Avant-Garde@CIRANO. The young leaders were delighted to share their concerns and aspirations for the Quebec

and Canada of tomorrow around the issues that are at the heart of the Industrial Strategy Council's current consultations: recovery, transformation, education, youth.

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## CIRANO-MELCC Workshop on Circular Economy



CIRANO and the Ministry of Environment and Fight Against Climate Change, in collaboration with the I-EDDEC Dialogue & Transfert, the Chair of Energy Sector Management at HEC Montréal, Université Laval and Polytechnique Montréal, organized the Workshop on Circular Economy. The objective of the event was to validate with experts and stakeholders the interests and priorities for the deployment of the circular economy in Quebec in order to include them in the Government Sustainable Development Strategy 2022-2027.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Seminar: Montreal Econometrics Seminar 2020-2021

 Friday, September 18, 2020

Seminar organized in collaboration with CIREQ and the departments of economics of the universities of Montréal, Québec à Montréal, Concordia and McGill.

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### CEO Seminar: Sylvie Vachon

 Wednesday, October 14, 2020

Mrs Sylvie Vachon, President and Chief Executive Officer of Montreal Port

Authority (MPA), will share her experience during a networking event gathering researchers and business people. *By invitation only.*

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## External Activity: 21st IWH-CIREQ-GW Macroeconometric Workshop

 October 16-17, 2020

Le The Halle Institute for Economic Research, the Centre interuniversitaire de recherche en économie quantitative (CIREQ) and the George Washington University – The Center for Economic Research (GW) are organizing the 21st IWH-CIREQ-GW Macroeconometric Workshop on October 16-17, 2020, in a webinar.

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## RECENT PUBLICATIONS

### Burgundy Reports

The Blue Basket: A Tool to FastTrack Quebec's Digital and Ecological Transition  
(Henri-Paul Rousseau)

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COVID-19 et main-d'œuvre en santé. Déminer le terrain et lever les verrous institutionnels  
(Carl-Ardy Dubois)

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COVID-19 – Reinventing our governance and operating models. The Turning Point for Canada and Québec?  
(Alain Dudoit)

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## COVID-19 Insights

Des politiques sectorielles pour soutenir l'économie en contexte de pandémie

(Étienne Lalé, Sophie Osotimehin)

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Le Transfert Canadien en Santé doit être bonifié afin d'assurer les services dans un contexte de vieillissement accéléré

(Raquel Fonseca, Pierre-Carl Michaud, Julien Navaux)

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Professions et industries : quels sont les risques de transmission de la COVID-19 ? Un outil pour faire face à la deuxième vague

(Pierre-Loup Beauregard, Marie Connolly, Catherine Haeck)

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COVID-19 and Canada's international trade: The situation is already worse than stated in the July's Canada's State of Trade 2020

(Julien Martin, Florian Mayneris)

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COVID-19 et main-d'oeuvre en santé : des politiques de rupture pour briser le cycle de reproduction des fragilités actuelles

(Carl-Ardy Dubois)

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COVID-19 : Les six premiers mois - L'urgence d'un nouveau modèle de gouvernance et d'opérations

(Alain Dudoit)

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The Reliance of Canadian Imports on the US is Worse Than you Think

(Julien Martin, Florian Mayneris)

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Incertitude et effets macroéconomiques : mise à jour dans le contexte de la pandémie COVID-19

(Kevin Moran, Adam Abdel Kader Touré, Dalibor Stevanovic)

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Effets de la pandémie et des mesures de soutien sur l'impôt des particuliers au Québec et au Canada

(David Boisclair, Raquel Fonseca, Marianne Laurin, Pierre-Carl Michaud, Paul Ouimet, G elle Simard-Duplain, Pierre-Yves Yanni)

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## Project Reports

 volution s culaire du profil des salaires en fonction de l' ge :  
Qu bec, Canada et  tats-Unis  
(Benoit Dostie, Genevi ve Dufour, Raquel Fonseca,  tienne Lal )

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Tarification optimale du gaz carbonique et  lasticit s dans les transports  
(Alexandre Pavlov, Charles Vaillancourt, Michel Poitevin)

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Analyse comparative du positionnement du secteur financier qu b cois : tendances r centes et d fis  
(Bryan Campbell, Michel Mignan, Robert Normand, Phillippe De Tilly)

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Pr vision de l'activit   conomique au Qu bec et au Canada   l'aide des m thodes *Machine Learning*  
(Philippe Goulet Coulombe, Maxime Leroux, Dalibor Stevanovic, St phane Surprenant)

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Portrait sociod mographique des a n s - R gion de Laval  
(Nassirou Ibrahim, Alexandre Prud'Homme, Jolianne Bolduc, Roxane Borg s Da Silva)

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Portrait sociod mographique des a n s - R gion des Laurentides  
(Nassirou Ibrahim, Alexandre Prud'Homme, Jolianne Bolduc, Roxane Borg s Da Silva)

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Analyse du d lai du premier suivi m dical de grossesse dans le cadre du projet de conception et d'implantation d'un Syst me d'Avis de Grossesse   Montr al  
(Roxane Borg s Da Silva, Mike Benigeri)

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Les fusions institutionnelles - Fondements théoriques, enjeux et défis  
de mise en oeuvre

(Jean-Philippe Meloche, Michel Magnan, Marie-Soleil Tremblay)

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Les enjeux du numérique dans le secteur agricole - Défis et  
opportunités

(Annie Royer, Nathalie de Marcellis-Warin, Ingrid Peignier, Thierry  
Warin, Molivann Panot, Christophe Mondin)

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Les déterminants du choix du domaine d'études universitaires. Une  
revue de la littérature et identification de pistes d'interventions

(Claude Montmarquette)

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## Working Papers

Revisiting the Gap Between the Willingness-to-Pay and Willingness-  
to-Accept for Public Goods

(Christian A. Vossler, Stéphane Bergeron, Maurice Doyon, Daniel  
Rondeau)

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Macroeconomic Uncertainty and the COVID-19 Pandemic: Measure  
and Impacts on the Canadian Economy

(Kevin Moran, Dalibor Stevanovic, Adam Abdel Kader Touré)

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The Late Emerging Consensus Among American Economists on  
Antitrust Laws in the Second New Deal (1935-1941) (Revised Version)

(Thierry Kirat, Frederic Marty)

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Video Resumes and Job Search Outcomes: Evidence from a Field  
Experiment

(Charles Bellemare, Marion Goussé, Guy Lacroix, Steeve Marchand)

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Trade in Trash: A Political Economy Approach

(James H. Cassing, Ngo Van Long)

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On the Profitability of Cross-Ownership in Cournot Oligopolies: Stock  
Sizes Matter

(Hassan Benchenkroun, Miao Dai, Ngo Van Long)

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Macroeconomic Data Transformations Matter

(Philippe Goulet Coulombe, Maxime Leroux, Dalibor Stevanovic,  
Stéphane Surprenant)

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Effects of Exchange Rate Volatility on Export Diversity: The Role of  
Production Constraints

(Ngo Van Long, Yifan Li, Zhuang Miao)

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The Economic Consequences of the Health Crisis in Spain: Five  
Questions for a Common Diagnosis

(Jesús Ruiz-Huerta Carbonell)

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Guaranteed Minimum Income: the Case of Quebec

(Dorothee Boccanfuso, Jean-Michel Cousineau, Raquel Fonseca)

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