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# **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual ANSER 2010 Conference**

Between June 1 and June 4, 2010 an excited and energetic group of students, academics, practitioners and government staff gathered to share knowledge about the social economy at the 79<sup>th</sup> Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences



in beautiful Montréal, Québec. A number of the ANSER events were cohosted with the Canadian Association for the Study of Co-operation.

We were treated to inspiring sessions with distinguished people like Professor Henry Mintzberg from McGill University, Nancy Neamtan, Executive Director of le Chantier de l'économie sociale, Héléne Simard, présidente-directrice générale of the Conseil québecois de la coopération et de la mutualité and Jean-Marc Fontan from Université de Ouébec à Montréal.









The conference began with a day of student presentations. A number of fascinating research initiatives were presented, including the social economy in theory and practice, a focus on both Canada and abroad, the roles played by social economy organizations in transforming communities, and deconstructing "economy".

Subsequent days saw a large number of concurrent sessions. The topics were wide-ranging and comprised the following: learning from community-university partnerships, community organizing and community economic

development, volunteering and citizen engagement, social finance in Canada, education for the social economy, public policy and government relations, communication and social marketing, governance and management, social enterprises and social entrepreneurship, civil society and its challenges, theoretical perspectives, nonprofits and charities in a changing world, changing



conceptions of financing, co-operatives in Canada, housing, food security, and future directions. The ANSER annual general meeting was also held during this time (see below).

There was plenty of opportunity to network, share stories, catch up with old colleagues, and make new friends. It is noteworthy that many delegates were also registered with other associations at Congress (e.g., political science, sociology, policy studies, social work, business administration) which meant the cross-fertilization of ideas was immense.



The ANSER board of directors is hoping to make the 4<sup>th</sup> annual ANSER conference in Fredericton, New Brunswick from June 1-3, 2011, even better by enhancing French language support and doing outreach to delegates from outside Canada. Hope to see you there!

Félicitations to the 2010 ANSER Conference Organizing Committee – Jean-Marc Fontan, Ana Gomez, Margie Mendell, Laurie Mook, Jack Quarter, Sherida Ryan, and Lisa White - for a job well done!

# **ANSER Annual General Meeting**



The third ANSER annual general meeting which took place on June 2, 2010, was attended by 50 members. An air of excitement permeated the meeting given all that ANSER has achieved in such a short period of time! The following are highlights of the meeting:

- ANSER became incorporated on May 10, 2010;
- A full slate of board members manage ANSER from year to year;
- A new online journal has been launched, *Canadian Journal of Nonprofit* and *Social Economy Research*;
- A network of students doing research on the nonprofit/social economy sector exists;
- A newsletter is circulated to the membership twice/year;
- A membership registration page on the ANSER website has been completed;
- Graduate student awards have been developed and there were two winners this year;

- ANSER financial situation is looking good and an auditor was appointed as per the bylaws;
- We are preparing to host the 4<sup>th</sup> annual ANSER conference at Congress in Fredericton New Brunswick in June 2011.

The plans for 2010-2011 include membership promotion, the development of a five year operational and financial plan, an increase in member communication and participation, and exploring possible points of collaboration with ARNOVA.

# **Meet the Vice-President: Luc Theriault**

Luc Thériault has been trained as a sociologist both in the French and Anglo-American traditions. He is currently professor of sociology at the University of New Brunswick (Fredericton). His previous academic appointment was with the Faculty of Social Work at the University of Regina. His field of expertise is social policy and third sector studies, with a focus on the interactions between governments and social economy organizations

involved in the delivery of human services. He has considerable experience doing survey research on non-profit organizations and co-operatives in Canada. At UNB he teaches courses in various areas including research methods, program evaluation, Canadian society, economic sociology, as well as family and social policy.

**SR:** What originally drew your interest to the field of nonprofits, and social economy organizations?

LT: My first contractual job after my PhD was at LAREPPS, a research unit focusing on social policy that was based at the School of Social Work of the University of Quebec at Montreal (UQAM). The project I was working on was about social housing and it documented and evaluated some of the service provision offered by a large non-profit agency. I knew very little about social housing issues or about the non-profit sector but I the research skills acquired during my PhD at the University of Toronto and I started to transfer some of these skills to the study of the third-sector. It was like an entire universe was opening before me!

Moreover, in the mid-1990s, this field of study was still very young in Canada (as compared, say to the study of business organizations or government agencies). I got published right away and people started to look to me as an expert. I was not, because you never stop learning in this field, but it jump-started my carrier and I was soon recruited by the University of Regina where there is a long tradition of social policy research.

**SR**: Professionally speaking, what are you excited about now? What drives you?

LT: I think there is now in English-speaking Canada much more interest about the social economy and the study of the third sector, not only among academics and leaders of community-based organization but also among policy-makers (at least at the provincial and municipal level). We are perhaps on the verge of a breakthrough. New journals (like ANSERJ) are appearing and provincial cabinet ministers in NL and NB have been given specific responsibility for the sector. Researchers have been able to network and to establish stimulating research agendas thanks to the funding provided by the SSHRC and other sources. Less and less do we get bogged down in circular debates about what is the perfect definition of the social economy. More and more people want to move on and create a better understanding of the different facets of its reality. Graduate student are choosing relevant social economy topics for their thesis, moving away from the post-modern fad, thank God!

**SR**: Why have you gotten involved with ANSER?

LT: ANSER will be to Canada what ARNOVA is to the US and what ISTR is to the world. Participating in the creation of this association, even in a very small way, is something I know I will be proud of when I look back on my professional life twenty years from now. There is much to do and still too few active builders of the association, but we are growing and I hope that our next conference in my home town of Fredericton will be a great success for the development of ANSER.



**SR**: What role do you see ANSER playing in the future?

LT: ANSER must be a connecting device, the USB of social economy research and dialogue in Canada. Like Canada, its greatest challenge is to bridge the *two solitudes* when it comes to establishing a cost-to-coast network of researchers and practitioner of the social economy.

**SR**: On a more personal note, what do you do in your spare time?

LT: I am a pretty boring person. I love to travel (except the plane part). I go to movies, I check my Facebook notices, and I ride a quarter horse by the name of Rex who seems also happy to see me, especially when I bring him an apple...

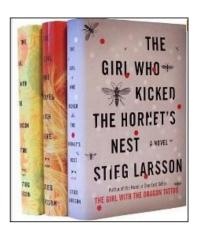
**SR**: What is your favourite book and why?

LT: One of the books I found most impressive was a novel I read as a teenager by Marguerite Yourcenar entitled Les Mémoires d'Hadrien (Memoirs of Hadrian in English). It takes the form of a letter from Roman Emperor Hadrian to his chosen successor. The book is very masculine (a letter from a man to another) but is written by a

women and is a masterpiece demonstration that you do not necessarily have to "walk-the-walk" to "talk-the-talk".

**SR**: What are you reading right now?

LT: I just completed reading the third and final book of the Millennium Trilogy by Stieg Larsson. I am writing this in September so I am now turning towards more "serious" reading, including an easy to read Introducing Microeconomic Analysis, edited by Bourgrine, Parker and Seccareccia that has been suggested to me by economics colleague Tony Myatt.



# **Board Member Profiles: Vic Murray**

Vic Murray is currently Adjunct Professor in the School of Public Administration at the



University of Victoria. From 1983 to 1995, he was Director of the Voluntary Sector Management Program in the Schulich School of Business at York University, Toronto where he developed Canada's first certificate and master's level programs in that field. He is the author of many books, articles and papers in the fields of organizational behaviour and nonprofit management. His most recent publication is *The Management of Nonprofit and Charitable Organizations in Canada* 2nd *Ed.* (Butterworths 2009). Currently, he is a member of the Advisory Board for the journal *Nonprofit Management and Leadership*, contributing editor

for *Human Resources Management in Canada*, board member of the Association for Nonprofit and Social Economy Research (ANSER) and active in the Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA). In 2002 he was awarded ARNOVA's Distinguished Lifetime Achievement Award. In 1995, the Canadian Centre for Philanthropy awarded him the Alan Arlett Medal for distinguished contributions to philanthropy research. He is at present Director of the Voluntary Sector Knowledge Network (<a href="www.vskn.ca">www.vskn.ca</a>), a website of the Centre for Nonprofit Management in Victoria.

# **Board Member Profiles: Gloria DeSantis**

Gloria DeSantis is currently a Post-Doctoral Research Fellow in the field of socio-health in the Department of Political Science and with the Saskatchewan Population Health and Evaluation Research Unit (SPHERU), at the University of Regina. Her research focuses on the social and political determinants of health as well as the roles played by nonprofit social service sector organizations in advocating for healthier communities. Her work in

this area is a natural extension of her 17 years of front-line work spent in social planning councils engaged in research, community development, action planning and public policy making with marginalized groups of people. She has worked on a variety of initiatives including: needs and capacity assessments with people who were homeless; trend analysis involving youth in emergency shelters; decentralized services for people living in low income neighbourhoods; employment training research with urban First Nations peoples; social service model building with immigrants and refugees; and community development with people who had mental health



and/or physical disabilities. She is currently a volunteer in local and province-wide anti-poverty efforts, public transit advocacy, and housing for vulnerable tenants. Gloria is also involved with the ANSER Administration Committee, member recruitment and the newsletter.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: ANNONCES**



The Institute for Nonprofit Studies at Mount Royal University is pleased to announce the release of two new research publications. The Institute's first nonprofit research student intern, Marc-Elie Scott, has completed a research report on the strategic drivers of Alberta's nonprofit sector and Peter

Elson, Cliff Spyker and Dustin Rogers have competed the first data-base analysis of the voluntary de-registration of Canadian Charities, funded by the CRA. Both nonprofit resources are available at <a href="www.mtroyal.ca/nonprofit">www.mtroyal.ca/nonprofit</a>.

# York University, Department of Social Science, Business and Society

(<a href="http://www.yorku.ca/laps/sosc/buso/">http://www.yorku.ca/laps/sosc/buso/</a>) is a unique and innovative interdisciplinary programme; its mandate is to explore critically alternative approaches to the study of business and economics not traditionally found in conventional business programmes. Members of faculty enjoy a rich environment with colleagues from parallel interdisciplinary programmes, e.g. Law & Society, International Development Studies, Labour Studies, Social & Political Thought.

Applications are invited for a full-time tenure stream appointment, at the Assistant Professor level, in Business & Society. At the time of appointment the successful candidate will have a Ph.D. in one of the social sciences or in a related field (e.g. ethics, political philosophy). Applicants should have an ongoing programme of interdisciplinary research which focuses critically on the conduct and regulation of business and its social implications. Demonstrated excellence (or the promise thereof) in both teaching and in

research and publication is expected in at least one of the following areas: social economy; law, governance and policy; ethics in economics and business; corporate social responsibility. In addition, applicants should have the breadth and versatility to teach the core courses of the Business & Society undergraduate programme. A teaching and research focus which pays heed to social exclusion (e.g., to issues of race and gender) would be an asset.

Applicants should submit a curriculum vitae, a statement of teaching and research interests, one example of their scholarship and teaching evaluations. They should also arrange for three letters of reference to be sent, by November 15, 2010, to:

Professor Darryl Reed, Chair, Department of Social Science, S754 Ross Building, York University, 4700 Keele Street, Toronto, Ontario, M3J 1P3 Tel.: 416 736 2100 (ext. 77812); Fax: 416 736 5574. Email: <a href="mailto:dreed@yorku.ca">dreed@yorku.ca</a> York University is an Affirmative Action Employer. The Affirmative Action Program can be found on York's website at <a href="https://www.yorku.ca/acadjobs">www.yorku.ca/acadjobs</a> or a copy can be obtained by calling the Affirmative Action office at 416-736-5713. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and Permanent Residents will be given priority.



# Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) and the Policy Research Initiative (PRI)

Under an agreement with the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC), the Policy Research Initiative will be engaging in a range of activities designed to help build bridges between the federal policy community and the academic research community and to enhance the impact of social sciences and humanities research on the development of public policies.

#### Identification of policy research priorities

The PRI regularly canvasses the needs and interests of the federal policy and policy research community with a view to identifying future areas of research likely to be of particular interest to the development of federal policy initiatives over the medium to longer term. Specific research priorities identified through this process may be signalled

in future calls for SSHRC funding proposals in relation to the research ("Insight") and partnership ("Connection") components of SSHRC's new funding architecture.



The PRI as a potential partner for applicants for SSHRC funding

The PRI welcomes partnership proposals geared towards combining original research in areas that are likely to be relevant to medium- to longer-term federal policy development with innovative approaches to the co-production and ongoing exchange of knowledge

between academic researchers and policy researchers and policy advisors within the Government of Canada. Such proposals could include, among others, elements such as:

- creating and performing ongoing moderation of online communities accessible to both academic researchers and government policy researchers and policy advisors:
- organizing face-to-face knowledge events involving members of such communities, such as conferences, roundtables, workshops and other activities;
- publishing and disseminating research in academic and/or policy research journals; and/or
- establishing "scholars in residence" arrangements in which senior researchers, graduate students or postdoctoral fellows affiliated with partner institutions or research consortia could be placed in federal departments or agencies.

SSHRC applicants interested in joining with the PRI to develop a partnership proposal to serve as the basis for an application to a SSHRC funding opportunity competition should provide the PRI with a detailed outline of their proposal at least two months prior to the SSHRC application deadline, in order to ensure sufficient time to develop a detailed partnership agreement for inclusion with their full application.

For further information contact:

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### The Rural and Co-operatives Secretariat of the Government of

**Canada** would like to extend an invitation for you to join us for a discussion on federal



co-operative policy. We also hope you will be able to share this invitation with fellow researchers or students who are interested in regional co-operative development that we may have missed.

The five regional roundtables will be held in Truro (NS), Lévis (QC), Guelph (ON), Winnipeg (MB), and Vancouver (BC). These roundtables are an opportunity to seek a broad range of input towards the development of a new federal policy framework for co-operatives in Canada. With the International Year of Co-operatives coming up in 2012, we have a prime opportunity to celebrate the success of co-operatives and to enhance the enabling environment for co-operative development in Canada.

We value the contribution you can bring to these roundtables and hope you will be able to join us.

Sincerely,

Donna Mitchell

Executive Director / Directrice exécutive

Rural and Co-operatives Secretariat / Le Secrétariat aux affaires rurales et aux coopératives

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Le Secrétariat aux affaires rurales et aux coopératives du gouvernement du Canada vous transmet cette invitation à venir nous rencontrer afin de discuter de la politique fédérale visant les coopératives. Nous vous encourageons aussi à partager cette invitation avec vos collègues chercheurs et étudiants qui sont intéressés par les questions de développement coopératif à l'échelle régionale cas où notre invitation ne se serait pas rendue jusqu'à eux.

Les cinq tables rondes régionales se tiendront à Truro (N-E), Lévis (QC), Guelph (ON), Winnipeg (MB) et Vancouver (B-C). Les tables rondes régionales représenteront une occasion de recueillir un large éventail de commentaires et de suggestions dans le but d'élaborer le prochain cadre stratégique fédéral sur les coopératives. Comme 2012 a été désignée « Année internationale des coopératives », nous avons une excellente occasion de célébrer ensemble le succès des coopératives canadiennes et d'améliorer les conditions de développement favorisant ainsi leurs essors au Canada.

J'apprécie la contribution et l'expertise que vous apporterez à ces discussions et j'espère que vous serez en mesure d'y participer.

#### New Book

Researching the Social Economy Edited by Laurie Mook, Jack Quarter, & Sherida Ryan University of Toronto Press

Researching the Social Economy is one of the first comprehensive research collections on the social economy in Canada. While the term "social economy" is used widely in Western Europe and Quebec, it has had minimal currency in English Canada, where the differences between the public and private sectors and among nonprofits, co-operatives, social



enterprises, and community economic development organizations have been emphasized.

The contributions to this volume, flowing from an inter-regional and international network of scholars and community organizations, analyze how the social economy, in its many manifestations, interacts with and shares commonalities with organizations in the other sectors of the economy. Taken as a whole, *Researching the Social Economy* enriches our understanding of how this important cluster of organizations contributes to Canadian society in both economic and social terms, and lays the groundwork for future study.



### **Social Business and Marginalized Social**

**Groups**, a joint initiative of the Social Economy Centre of the University of Toronto, the Ontario Cooperative Association, the Centre for Social Innovation, and the Toronto Enterprise Fund has been awarded a five year Community-University Research Alliances grant. The Objectives of the research partnership are:

- ➤ to understand the impact of social businesses in addressing the needs, both social and economic, of marginalized persons in the GTA;
- to work with social businesses through a community-based participatory research strategy applied to 14 case studies to help the organizations develop strategies in building capacity around such needs as leadership, management, governance, marketing, and external supports such as access to capital and appropriate government policies, and to put in place a process for researching the effectiveness of these strategies;
- > to synthesize knowledge from these case studies plus a broader scan to assist the development of social businesses more generally.
- > to add to existing knowledge on leadership, management, governance, marketing and finance of social business. This step will include the development of education and policies that relate to the capacity issues addressed in the research.

The CURA is comprised of leading scholars and practitioners from 13 universities and 21 community partner organizations, primarily from the Greater Toronto Area (GTA) where the research in focused. The focus is on the Greater Toronto Area because it is a major population centre with a high proportion of first generation immigrants and visible minorities, and growing levels of poverty.

For information about the research project, please contact:

Jack Quarter (jack.quarter@utoronto.ca) Sherida Ryan (sherida.ryan@utoronto.ca)



# Help with Research Project: ANSER member Vic Murray of U Vic and Yvonne Harrison of State University of New York, Albany (formerly of Victoria) have a research project they would like your help with. They are studying

how members of nonprofit organization boards and those that associate with them perceive the board's performance.

To do this they have developed a Board Performance Self-Assessment Questionnaire to be taken by board members and designated others. It is available at a special website: <a href="www.boardcheckup.com">www.boardcheckup.com</a>. The website provides the opportunity for nonprofit boards to carry out a self-assessment in a fully confidential way. While no one sees the responses of any individual, the board is provided with two reports: an interpretation of the results and a detailed statistical summary of the responses to each question.

At this point, Vic and Yvonne are looking for a few organizations that would be willing to 'beta test' their new site. All the instructions on how to participate are on the site along with an example of the questionnaire and an illustration of the kind of feedback that is provided.

This is to ask ANSER members to pass along this information to any social economy organizations who you think might be interested in helping with this project and receiving a free performance self-assessment in the process.

If you have any questions don't hesitate to write Vic Murray at <a href="mailto:vmurray@uvic.ca">vmurray@uvic.ca</a>.

Again, the website is: www.boardcheckup.com

## Attention Graduate Students and Graduate Student Supervisors.

ANSER-ARES continues to build greater support of graduate student research and involvement in research related to non-profit studies and the social economy. In support of this objective, 2010-2011 will once again see the association providing a number of awards for graduate students. As with last year, there will be two Graduate Student Research Awards aimed at supporting new or ongoing graduate student research with attendance at the 2011 ANSER-ARES conference in Fredericton. This year will also see ANSER-ARES introducing two new awards for distinguished theses, one at the Master's level and the second at the Doctoral level. The call for submissions for the awards will be circulated by late October so stay tuned for more information. Be aware that there are

different deadlines for the two sets of awards, with the Graduate Student Research Award application deadline coming up in mid to late December and results announced in early February. Deadlines for the theses award applications will follow and will be announced shortly. If you have any questions please contact Jorge Sousa at <a href="mailto:sousa@ualberta.ca">sousa@ualberta.ca</a> or visit the ANSER-ARES website.

# **Call for papers/ Demande De Communications**



## Canadian Review of Social Policy Special Issue 2011 - Social Economy

The Canadian Review of Social Policy is calling for contributions to a special issue exploring How *the Social Economy Supports, Challenges and Innovates Canadian Social Policy*, to be published in 2011.

The Role of the Social Economy in Supporting, Challenging and Innovating Canadian Social Policy, Sponsored by BC-Alberta Social Economy Research Alliance and The Canadian Social Economy Research Partnerships.

Guest editors are **Jorge Sousa**, **PhD**, Department of Educational Policy Studies, University of Alberta, and **Stuart Wulff**, Coordinator, BC-Alberta Social Economy Research Alliance (BALTA).

Submissions may be written in English or French and should not be under consideration at any other journal or publication. Please email your submission to CRSP at crsp@yorku.ca, following the journal's submission guidelines (www.yorku.ca/crsp) with a statement that it is intended for this special issue. They will be subject to the normal peer-review process. To be considered for the special issue, **papers must be received no later than January 31st, 2011**.



ANSERJ, the Canadian Journal of Nonprofit and Social Economy Research, welcomes high quality research articles on any facet of nonprofits and the social economy. Articles up to a maximum of 8,000 words can be submitted at any time.

ANSERJ, Revue canadiennne de recherche sur les OBSL et l'économie sociale sollicite des articles de recherche de grande qualité portant sur toutes les facettes des organisations sans but lucratif et l'économie sociale. Des articles jusqu'à un maximum de 8000 mots peuvent être soumis à tout moment.

Peter Elson and François Brouard Editors. ANSERJ

www.anserj.ca

# 3rd International Research Conference on the Social Economy

# NOUVELLE DATE LIMITE pour rentrer une proposition : 10 novembre 2010

Chers Collègues,

Nous avons le plaisir de vous transmettre ci-joint <u>l'appel à contributions</u> (en français, anglais et espagnol) pour la 3ème Conférence internationale de recherche en économie sociale que le CIRIEC organise à Valladolid les 6, 7 et 8 avril 2011 autour du thème "L'économie sociale: pilier d'un nouveau modèle de développement économique durable". Après l'immense succès des premières éditions de ce cycle de conférences de recherche au Canada en 2007 et en Suède en 2009, nous comptons beaucoup sur votre participation.

Vous trouverez davantage d'information sur le site de la conférence <a href="http://www.seconferenceciriec.es">http://www.seconferenceciriec.es</a>

Veuillez nous excuser par avance si cet envoi vous parvient à de multiples reprises.

Cordialement

**NEW DEADLINE for Submissions: 10-11-2010** 

#### Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to send you herewith the <u>call for papers</u> (in English, French and Spanish) to the 3rd International Research Conference on the Social Economy organised by CIRIEC in Valladolid on April 6, 7 and 8, 2010 on the theme "Social Economy: Prop of a New Model of Sustainable Economic Development".

After the huge success of the first editions of these conferences in Canada (2007) and Sweden (2009), we once more rely on your participation.

Additional information can be found on the conference website http://www.seconferenceciriec.es

We apologise in case this email is sent to you several times. Cordially

#### **NEW DEADLINE for Submissions: 10-11-2010**

Sehr geehrte Kollegen,

Wir freuen uns, Ihnen den <u>Aufruf für Beiträge</u> (im Englisch, Französich und Spanisch) der 3. Internationalen Forschungskonferenz für Sozialwirtschaft von CIRIEC in Valladolid (Spanien) am 6-8. April 2011 zum Thema "Social Economy: Prop of a New Model of Sustainable Economic Development" zu schicken.

Nach dem großen Erfolg der ersten Konferenz in Kanada (2007) und der zweiten in Schweden (2009) hoffen wir erneut auf Ihre Teilnahme.

Weitere Informationen finden Sie auf der Webseite der Konferenz <a href="http://www.seconferenceciriec.es">http://www.seconferenceciriec.es</a>

Wir entschuldigen uns für eventuelle mehrfache Sendungen. Mit freundlichen Grüssen

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Association for Nonprofit and Social Economy Research (ANSER)

CALL FOR PAPERS

ANSER/ARES 2011 CONFERENCE

Building Community: Exploring the Contributions of Nonprofits and the Social Economy

Fourth Annual Conference June 1 to 3, 2011 University of New Brunswick and St. Thomas University, Fredericton

ANSER/ARES is a dynamic growing association that is organizing its fourth annual conference as part of the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences. ANSER brings together leading academic researchers, practitioners, consultants, policymakers and community organizations from Canada and internationally to discuss current and emergent issues, debates and challenges in the fields of civil society, social economy, and nonprofit research and practice. Join us for what promises to be an engaging and provocative conference. The theme for the fourth conference in Fredericton is: Building community: Exploring the contributions of nonprofits and the social economy.

We invite you to submit proposals for individual papers, panels, or roundtable discussions on topics related to Canadian, comparative, or international contexts. Proposals are particularly encouraged that fit into any of the following areas, broadly defined:

- Social Economy: Differing Perspectives
- Civil Society and its Challenges
- Nonprofits and Charities in a Changing World
- Social Enterprises and Social Entrepreneurship
- Co-operatives and their Challenges
- Community Organizing, & Community Economic Development
- Volunteering & Citizen Engagement
- Changing Conceptions of Financing
- Governance & Management
- Public Policy & Government Relations
- Communication, Networking & Social Marketing
- Community-University Research Partnerships

We also accept proposals of wider relevance, which may not fit the categories listed above. We are particularly interested in papers, panels and roundtables involving collaboration between academics and practitioners. Proposals for joint sessions with the Canadian Association for Studies in Co-operation (CASC) are also welcomed. More information is available from the ANSER website (www.anser-ares.ca).

# Association de recherche des organismes sans but lucratif et de l'économie sociale (ARES)

#### APPEL À COMMUNICATIONS



#### Conférence ARES / ANSER 2011

Des communautés en construction : exploration des contributions des organisations à but non lucratif et de l'économie sociale

Quatrième Conférence Annuelle Du 1 au 3 juin 2011 Université du Nouveau-Brunswick, Fredericton, Nouveau-Brunswick

ARES/ANSER est une organisation dynamique qui tient son quatrième congrès annuel dans le

cadre du Congrès des sciences humaines. ARES regroupe des chercheurs, des acteurs de l'économie sociale, des consultants, des représentants de différents niveaux de gouvernement, des représentants d'organisations communautaires canadiennes et d'autres pays. ARES se veut un lieu d'échange et de discussions entre ses membres sur des questions portant sur les enjeux, les débats, les défis théoriques et pratiques dans les domaines de la société civile, de l'économie sociale et des organisations à but non lucratif. Vous inscrire à cette conférence s'avérera une expérience stimulante et instructive.

Dans le cadre du Colloque ARES 2011, vous pouvez présenter une proposition de communication sous trois formes :

- 1. une proposition de communication sur une base individuelle;
- 2. une proposition de formation d'un panel :
- 3. une proposition pour la tenue d'une table ronde de discussion.

Les propositions peuvent porter sur des sujets touchant l'actualité canadienne, des études comparatives ou traiter d'une question pertinente sur la scène internationale. Nous encourageons plus précisément des propositions qui toucheront aux thèmes suivants:

- L'économie sociale sous différentes perspectives
- La société civile et ses défis
- Les OBNL et les organismes de charité dans un monde en grand changement
- Les entreprises sociales et l'entreprenariat social
- Le secteur coopératif et ses défis
- Les organisation communautaire et le développement économique communautaire
- Le bénévolat et l'engagement citoyen
- Les nouvelles conceptions et les nouvelles approches du financement solidaire
- La gouvernance et le management
- Les politiques publiques et les relations avec différents paliers de gouvernement
- Les communications, le réseautage et le marketing social
- Les partenariats université-communautés et la recherche collaborative

Nous acceptons aussi des propositions de communication portant sur des thèmes larges qui ne sont pas nécessairement couverts par les dimensions énumérées ci haut. De plus, nous sommes particulièrement intéressés par des présentations qui permettront d'illustrer les collaborations prenant place entre des chercheurs et des acteurs du terrain. Les propositions de communications pour des sessions conjointes avec l'Association canadienne pour les études sur la coopération (ACÉC) sont aussi bienvenues. Pour plus d'information, consultez notre site Internet (www.anser-ares.ca).

## :CONNECTIONS:

A selection of web links, including articles, websites, blogs and videos, of particular interest to ANSER members. If you have any interesting online resources to suggest, please send them to Sherida Ryan at sherida@openflows.net



# Mondragon Diaries: Five Days Studying Cutting-Edge People and Tools for Change

Blog post about a study trip to Mondragon in Spain from the folks at SolidarityEconomy.Net http://tinyurl.com/3yju4ne

Elinor Ostrom, 2009 Economic Nobel Prize winner, delivered her Prize Lecture on 8 December 2009 at Aula Magna, Stockholm University. She was introduced by Professor Bertil Holmlund, Chairman of the Economic Sciences Prize Committee. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/33tw7ue">http://tinyurl.com/33tw7ue</a>



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The Brauerilly Effect



**Social Edge** "a global online community where social entrepreneurs and other practitioners of the social benefit sector connect to network, learn, inspire and share resources". Program of the Skoll Foundation that includes blogs, discussions, job listings etc. Great to follow on Twitter <a href="http://www.socialedge.org/">http://www.socialedge.org/</a>

**ClearlySo Canada** is the first international affiliate of U.K. based clearlyso.com, the global marketplace and hub for social business, enterprise and investment. ClearlySo.ca

was launched in March of 2010 as a member driven community that celebrates, profiles, connects, and advocates for entrepreneurs who are using commercial ventures to address social and environmental issues and opportunities.



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Last but not least, for those people who tweet...follow the **Social Economy Centre** on twitter:



http://socialeconomy.utoronto.ca

And sign up with **Academia.edu**, and share your research interests with fellow members of ANSER-ARES <a href="http://lists.academia.edu/anser-ares">http://lists.academia.edu/anser-ares</a>

# **Events/Evénements**

**November 15-16:** Good Deals 2010: The UK social investment conference (http://tinyurl.com/2fgab7o), London, United Kingdom

**November 17:** Social Economy Lunchbox Speakers' Series: Islamic Finance (http://tinyurl.com/2byyeow), Toronto, Ontario, Canada

**November 18-20:** ARNOVA's 39th Annual Conference (http://tinyurl.com/2dp24v8), Alexandria, Virginia USA

**November 26:** Social Enterprise Development in Canada (http://tinyurl.com/37j3jek), Toronto, Ontario, Canada

**November 30:** Task Force on Social Finance Report Launch (http://tinyurl.com/344pa9u), Toronto Canada

**December 1**: 2010 Canadian Social Finance Symposium (http://tinyurl.com/32zuofp), Toronto Canada

**December 1:** Canadian Social Economy Development Initiatives (http://tinyurl.com/2awd6d9), Toronto Canada

**December 4:** Wiring the Social Economy (http://tinyurl.com/23e8mr9), Vancouver, Canada

**January 28, 2011:** Marketing in Nonprofit Organizations (http://tinyurl.com/2739ewz), Toronto Canada

March 17-19: Nonprofit Technology Conference | NTEN 11 (http://tinyurl.com/38pjfsj), Washington, DC USA

March 24-27: BenchMark 3.5 (http://tinyurl.com/33fr7m8, San Diego, California USA

March 30-April 1: Skoll World Forum 2011 (http://tinyurl.com/39wvlba), Oxford, United Kingdom

**April 6-8:** 3rd International Research Conference on Social Economy of CIRIEC (http://tinyurl.com/35ynkmb), Valladolid, Spain

May 10-14: CU EXPO 2011 (http://tinyurl.com/2wap592), Waterloo Ontario Canada

May 28-June 4: Congress 2011 (http://congress2011.ca/), Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada

**June 1-3:** Association for Non-profit and Social Economy Research (ANSER) Annual Conference (http://www.anser-ares.ca/), Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada

**June 1-3:** Canadian Association for Studies in Co-operation (CASC) Annual Conference (http://tinyurl.com/36qqnt4), Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada

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