



Sovereignty and the Interdependence of Nations: Implications for Canada

Group of 78 Annual Policy Conference 2004

Program

September 10 - 12, 2004

Econiche House: 32 River Road, Cantley, Quebec J8Y 3A1

Conference Chair: Peggy Mason

Presentation of Conference Resolutions: Clyde Sanger

Friday, September 10

18:00 Cash bar

18:30 Dinner

19:30 Welcome from G78 chair **Peggy Mason**

Keynote Speaker - **Paul Heinbecker**, Canada's former ambassador to the United Nations and inaugural Director of the Laurier Centre for Global Relations, Governance and Policy, Wilfred Laurier University.

Saturday, September 11

8:00 Breakfast

9:00 **Panel** – *Population Growth and Decline, Resource Consumption and Climate Change: Can we ever get ahead of these problems?*

Chair: **Andy Clarke**

- **Madeline Weld** (President, Population Institute of Canada)

- **Elizabeth May** (Executive Director, Sierra Club of Canada)

10:30 **Break**

10:45 **Panel** – *Globalization of Poverty: Levelling up or levelling down?*

Chair: **Murray Thomson**

- **Andrew Clark** (Sr. Analyst, Canadian International Development Agency, International Financial Institutions)
- **Thomas Turay** (Coady Institute, Antigonish, Nova Scotia)

12:15 Lunch

Speaker: *Responsibility to Protect: How and when to intervene to save lives*

Moderator: **Christine Harmston**

- **John Packer** (Independent consultant, formerly Carr Center for Human Rights Policy, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Associate Professor, Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University)

13:45 **Panel** – *Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament: Strengthening the International System for the 21st Century*

Chair: Metta Spencer

- **Rob McDougall** (Director, Foreign Affairs Canada Non-Proliferation, Arms Control and Disarmament Division)
- **Peggy Mason** (Senior Fellow, Norman Paterson School of International Affairs. Former Canadian Ambassador for Disarmament)

15:15 Break

15:30 **Concurrent discussion groups** – four discussion groups, on the topics of Responsibility to Protect, plus each of the panel topics above. These will be moderated by the panel chairs and include the speakers as resource people for the discussion. The aim of these discussion groups is to develop recommendations on each of the four key themes of the conference.

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18:30 Dinner

Sunday, September 12

09:00 Discussion group reports; presentation of resolutions.
Chair: **Clyde Sanger**

11:30 G78 Annual General Meeting
Chair: **Peggy Mason**

12:30 Lunch