3rd Canadian PhD and Early Career Workshop in
Environmental Economics and Policy
University of Ottawa, May 22 – 23, 2014
Call for Participants

PhD students and early career researchers working on topics in environmental economics and/or policy are invited to a 2-day workshop to be held at University of Ottawa. Applications are welcome from those based in economics, business schools, environment institutes, schools of public policy, urban studies etc. studying any aspects of environmental policy, determinants of environmental behavior, energy economics, green business, agricultural economics, or natural resource problems using theory, empirics or experiments. Early career researchers should have left graduate school in the past 3 years. Previous participants are welcome subject to offering a new paper for presentation.

Last year’s event brought together 20 participants from inside and outside Canada from institutions including Toronto, Berkeley, Cornell, Lausanne, McGill, Columbia, Paris, Alberta, Amsterdam, Vienna, Calgary (see program and other materials online at https://sites.google.com/site/anthonygheyes/).

Sessions will be built around 30 minute student presentations, giving participants the chance to expose their ideas and get feedback from peers and established researchers. A mixture of work sessions and social time will give an excellent opportunity for participants to network, exchange ideas and experiences and get to know each other. The atmosphere will be informal and collegial.

In addition to Ottawa-based and visiting faculty we are delighted to have Charles Mason (Wyoming) and Bernard Sinclair-Desgagne (Montreal) as keynote guests. Both are distinguished environmental scholars. Mason was a recent Managing Editor of JEEM and has published extensively using theoretical, econometric and experimental methods. Sinclair-Desgagne holds a Chair at HEC Montreal and has written on environmental, regulatory and risk management issues in journals like Management Science, JEEM and Econometrica They will provide feedback on presentations and lead ‘career-craft’ workshops for young scholars – how to find topics, complete the dissertation, get grants, navigate the job market, manage the tenure process, get published etc.
Venue

The workshop will be held in the newly-opened Faculty of Social Science Building at University of Ottawa. With a population of around 1m people Ottawa is the capital of Canada and a beautiful city of rivers and canals. Campus is located in the heart of downtown on the world famous Rideau Canal (a UNESCO World Heritage site) and a 10 minute walk from Parliament Hill. May is a great time to visit!

Funding

There is no fee for participation. Breakasts and lunches at the venue, and a Workshop Dinner on the evening of May 22, will be provided for everyone. Those coming from outside Ottawa will be offered free accommodation on May 21 and 22 in university residences (extra night on request).

Many universities support student travel costs - please ask your supervisor. Sustainable Prosperity has generously agreed to finance a significant number of travel grants of up to $1000 (these require that you be based at a Canadian university). Please indicate at time of submission whether you wish to be considered for one of these and whether your participation is contingent upon funding.

Applications

Please e-mail Program Chair Anthony Heyes (aheyes@uottawa.ca) - Canada Research Chair in Environmental Economics at the University of Ottawa - with short CV and PDF draft of the paper or chapter for presentation. Papers will be selected by Anthony and Professor Brandon Schaufele, Research Director at SP. The deadline for applications is Monday 16 December 2013. However spaces and financial support are limited and will be allocated on a rolling basis so early applications are advantaged. International applications are very welcome.