



CIGI COMMUNICATIONS

CIGI's communications initiatives include a robust publication program, online communications, events hosted domestically and internationally, and media and public relations. Through its array of channels, CIGI reaches out to policy networks, decision makers, scholars, other experts, educators, media representatives and members of the interested public.

Publications

CIGI produces a broad range of scholarly and policy-oriented publications — books, working papers, policy briefs, conference and special reports — corresponding to the organization's six program themes. Building on a solid foundation of research and practical experience, CIGI publications are designed to be a leading global resource on international governance for scholars, public officials, civil society organizations, nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), students and the interested public. For information on CIGI's publications program, contact publications@cigionline.org.

Online Communications

www.cigionline.org serves as the centrepiece of CIGI's online communications. The website provides many details about CIGI's research and other program activities, as well as information on the latest news and events. Users can download publications free of charge. CIGI launched its new website in spring 2009; its enhanced design and functionality offers users access to original content and easier access to information and resources housed within the site. New features include an experts directory, blogs and web-exclusive content.

Events

CIGI's events program includes public and invitation-only events, as well as conferences and workshops. Public lectures feature internationally renowned experts and scholars, while conferences and workshops bring together respected academics, practitioners and policy makers, and government and business leaders to discuss and develop solutions to important global issues. CIGI also partners with other institutions to host conferences abroad. Each autumn, CIGI hosts its premier annual event, the Conference on International Governance Innovation. Leading experts and policy makers from Canada and around the world are invited to participate in a two-day conference to discuss possible solutions to the issues raised by CIGI's research. Each annual event's theme is an issue of international concern.

Media/Public Relations

CIGI has a comprehensive media relations program. The Media Relations team disseminates CIGI's research through media channels to foster understanding of global issues. CIGI's experts regularly contribute opinion pieces to local, national and international newspapers and provide expert analysis and commentary to print and broadcast media. To date, CIGI's presence in print and broadcast media spans more than 58 countries. Lectures, seminars and guest speakers are often taped and broadcast on public broadcasting stations.

CIGI ONLINE PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

As part of its efforts to build capacity and inspire dialogue on international governance issues, CIGI has built several online communities where international scholars, experts, policy makers and practitioners can exchange ideas and information in a central place online.

Governance Village

CIGI partnered with the Office for Democratic Governance (ODG), a branch of the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) to develop Governance Village (GV), and a global network which connects some of Canada's brightest minds studying, working and advising on development issues. GV provides a place for the development community to share knowledge and expertise about governance, social development and poverty reduction. It is rich in content and supported by a comprehensive set of tools to encourage knowledge sharing for the purpose of designing and implementing more effective programs. GV is open to government agencies; non-governmental, academic and private sector organizations; and individuals.

PolicyNet

PolicyNet is an online community to connect people worldwide who study, research and teach public policy. The site provides information on a range of public policy topics as well as details about policy schools, their programs and degrees offered. PolicyNet offers access to faculty and scholars who research a host of issues, and the ability to collaborate with them using a range of web tools. It also organizes a unique cache of information about public policy education and research. CIGI partnered with Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs on this initiative.

Portal for North America

CIGI built the Portal for North America (PNA) to serve as a unique web-based tool for academics, policy makers, practitioners and students interested in continental issues facing Canada, Mexico and the United States. As part of CIGI's mandate to build capacity, the PNA website hosts a series of teaching modules designed for instructors to encourage greater inclusion of North American content into courses in a variety of disciplines, and to help students understand pressing North American governance issues. Each module is built around a primary text, case study or report. Teaching Notes help instructors disseminate key lessons to their students by highlighting the main themes of the modules, offering suggestions for incorporating them into courses and listing additional related resources.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

CIGI Special G20 Report: Flashpoints for the Pittsburgh Summit
Edited by Andrew F. Cooper and Daniel Schwanen

The Effect of the World Financial Crisis on Developing Countries: An Initial Assessment
CIGI Task Force on Developing Countries

Environmental Sustainability and the Financial Crisis: Linkages and Policy Recommendations
CIGI Working Group on Environment and Resources

China and the Financial Crisis: Report of a CASS/CIGI Task Force Under the CASS/CIGI Young Scholars Network for Chinese Public Policy
John Whalley, Yuezhou Cai, Li Wang, Yan Dong, Huifang Tian

The Future of the International Monetary Fund: A Canadian Perspective
Special report edited by Bessma Momani and Eric Santor

The Future of the Dollar
Edited by Eric Helleiner and Jonathan Kirshner, Cornell University Press

Afghanistan's Alternatives for Peace, Governance and Development: Transforming Subjects to Citizens & Rulers to Civil Servants
Afghanistan Paper #2 by M. Nazif Shahrani

India's Economic Future: Education, Technology, Energy and Environment
Book edited by Manmohan Agarwal

Down and Almost Out: A Time for Reflection on the Future of the Multilateral Trading System
Conference Report by John M. Curtis, E. Daniel Ciuriak, Simon J. Evenett and Henry Lotin

G8 Italy: Wrestling Control Back from the G20?
Web commentary by Greg Chin

Chinese translation of Emerging Powers in Global Governance: Lessons from the Heiligendamm Process
Book edited by Andrew F. Cooper and Agata Antkiewicz
Published by Shanghai People's Publishing House in association with the Shanghai International Studies University

The Future of Security Sector Reform
Report on e-conference by Mark Sedra

Soundings #2: National Perspectives on Global Leadership Series (G8 Italy)
A series of commentaries on national leaders' performance at major international events
In partnership with the Brookings Institution

The G8's Food Security Initiative
Web commentary by Jennifer Clapp

Afghanistan: Looking Forward
Afghanistan Paper #1 by Roland E. Neumann

From London to L'Aquila: Bridging the G20 and the G8
CIGI-Chatham House Policy Brief by Eric Helleiner and Paola Subacchi

Inter-American Cooperation at a Crossroads
CIGI Conference Report by Joe Turcotte

Uranium Enrichment in Canada
Nuclear Energy Futures Paper by David Jackson and Kenneth Dormuth

Reform and Modernization of the OECD
CIGI Special Report by Jocelyne Bourgon

Issues, Obstacles and Outlook for the Copenhagen International Climate Change Negotiation
CIGI Policy Brief by John Whalley and Sean Walsh

LIBRARY

CIGI's Digital Library is a collection of more than 25,000 electronic documents on topics related to international governance. Material in the Digital Library is compiled from CIGI's content partners worldwide, including the Brookings Institution, the Council on Foreign Relations, the Overseas Development Institute, several UN agencies and more than 130 other organizations. All publications are freely available for download in full text format to anyone with an internet connection.

CIGI also offers researchers the Canadian Foreign Relations Index (CFRI), a searchable database of more than 50,000 references to Canadian foreign relations material from 1945 to the present. The index contains both Canadian and foreign

material on Canada's foreign relations, defence issues, economic relations, foreign aid, international law and the environment. CIGI ensures the quality and relevancy of this compilation of resources, and is pleased to provide this index to prestigious academic institutions worldwide. For a subscription or trial use of the CFRI, contact libraryservices@cigionline.org.

CIGI is also home to the John Holmes Library, a physical collection of more than 6,000 monographs, periodicals, pamphlets, newspaper articles and government documents on Canadian foreign policy and international relations. The collection is freely available to researchers and members of the public.