A CELEBRATION OF THE 20th ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE ARCTIC COUNCIL

PROGRAM

September 29, 2016
7:30am - 4:00pm
Carleton University
River Building Atrium, 2nd floor
1125 Colonel By Drive, Ottawa

NOTE: Simultaneous interpretation (English/French) will be available
7:30 am – 8:00 am  REGISTRATION AND COFFEE

8:00 am – 8:10 am  INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS
John Higginbotham  Carleton University, CIGI Senior Fellow
Jennifer Spence  Carleton University

8:10 am – 8:15 am  REMARKS AND INTRODUCTION TO CIGI’S NEW SPECIAL REPORT:
North of 60: Toward a Renewed Canadian Arctic Agenda
Fen Osler Hampson  CIGI Distinguished Fellow and Director of Global Security & Politics, and Chancellor’s Professor at Carleton University

8:15 am – 8:30 am  WELCOME REMARKS
Roseann Runte  President of Carleton University

8:30 am – 9:20 am  OPENING ADDRESS
The Honourable Stéphane Dion  Minister of Foreign Affairs, Government of Canada

Audience Q & A

9:20 am – 9:30 am  REMARKS
Maatalii Okalik  President of the National Inuit Youth Council

9:30 am – 9:45 am  Break

9:45 am – 11:00 am  PANEL 1:  REFLECTIONS ON THE CREATION AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE ARCTIC COUNCIL

Moderators:
John Higginbotham  Carleton University, CIGI Senior Fellow
Jennifer Spence  Carleton University
Panelists:
Mary Simon  INAC Minister’s Special Representative and former Canadian Ambassador for Circumpolar Affairs
Rosemarie Kuptana  former President of the Inuit Circumpolar Conference
Leona Aglukkaq  former Canadian Chair of the Arctic Council (2013-2015) and former Canadian Minister for the Arctic Council
Heather Exner-Pirot  Strategist for Outreach & Indigenous Engagement, University of Saskatchewan

11:00 am – 11:15 am  Break

11:15 am – 12:30 pm  PANEL 2: INTERNATIONAL ARCTIC COOPERATION
Moderators:
John Higginbotham  Carleton University, CIGI Senior Fellow
Jennifer Spence  Carleton University

Panelists:
David Birdsey  Counselor for Energy, Environment, Science, Technology and Health, U.S. Embassy in Canada
Maja Sverdrup  Deputy Head of Mission, Danish Embassy in Ottawa
Okalik Eegeesiak  Chair, Inuit Circumpolar Council, International
David Scott  President, Polar Knowledge Canada
Éric Théroux  Assistant Deputy Minister, International Organizations and Global Issues, Ministry of International Relations and La Francophonie, Government of Quebec
Joël Plouffe  Fellow, Canadian Global Affairs Institute

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm  Buffet lunch

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Nancy Karetak-Lindell  President, Inuit Circumpolar Council, Canada
1:30 pm – 3:00 pm  PANEL 3:  ARCTIC COUNCIL PARTNERSHIPS IN BUILDING SUSTAINABLE ARCTIC COMMUNITIES AND ECONOMIES

Moderators:
Frances Abele  Professor, School of Public Policy & Administration, Carleton University

Panelists:
Stephen Van Dine  Assistant Deputy Minister, Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada
June Shappa  Circumpolar Affairs Advisor, Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs Government of Nunavut
Jennifer Dallman-Sanders  Intergovernmental Relations Analyst, Aboriginal Affairs and intergovernmental Relations, Government of the Northwest Territories
Ethel Blake  Chair, Gwich’in Council International
Bill Erasmus  International Chair, Arctic Athabascan Council

3:00 pm – 3:15 pm  CLOSING REMARKS
Vincent Rigby  Assistant Deputy Minister, Global Affairs Canada