

Resumé

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INTERNET POLICY/INTERNET GOVERNANCE

POLICY ANALYST – WRITER – RESEARCHER – PUBLIC INTEREST ADVOCATE

For the past 30 years, in collaboration with various research teams and public interest groups, I have been involved with Internet policy issues including access, privacy, security and digital literacy at the local, national and international levels. In the process, I have worked with many stakeholders – public and private; communities and governments; national and international organizations – and served on various boards and committees at various levels. I can be an effective team player while still maintaining my individual perspective. My goal has always been to promote a public interest and community-centric vision of the Internet that would support social and economic development for all Canadians in all regions.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Internet governance - I am a graduate of the European School of Internet Governance (EUROSIG) and have been leading discussions on the multistakeholder model at ICANN on behalf of the At Large constituency which addresses the concerns of Internet endusers. I have been speaking on these topics at the Virtual and North American Schools of Internet Governance (VSIG/NASIG)

Internet policy - I have co-edited and contributed to five collections of essays and written many articles and op-eds on public interest perspectives on Internet policy. The essays have been used by Canadians from policy makers to students of communications as foundation readings on the early days of the Internet in Canada.

Public interest advocacy - I have worked with leaders in the Canadian community networking movement (Telecommunities Canada -- tc.ca) to maintain a national focus on digital literacy and community access programming as well as on multistakeholder internet governance policy.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE EXPERIENCE

- [Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers \(ICANN\)](#) - 2018- present

North American representative on the ICANN At Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) engaged in policy discussions on numerous issues affecting the domain name industry (new gTLDs, transfers, privacy, etc.); outreach and engagement activities supporting the ICANN multistakeholder model; member of the operations, finance and budget committee leading discussions, comments and advice on budget and strategic objectives. ALAC submits Advice to the ICANN Board on policies and activities related to the concerns of Internet end users.

■ [Canadian Internet Registration Authority \(CIRA\)](#) -- 2015-2018

Board member elected on the member slate. Member of the Community Investment Evaluation Panel and co-chair of the Community Investment Committee -- now part of the Net Good program.

■ [Telecommunities Canada \(TC\)](#) - President 2015-present
Board member since 1996; Secretary 2006-2014

TC is a Canadian non-profit established in 1993 to represent and promote the Canadian community networking movement at the national and international levels. TC was a founding member of ICANN North American Regional At Large Structure.

As President of TC, I led the effort to provide input to the Global Digital Compact (2023) and WSIS+20 and through questionnaires from the International Telecommunications Union (ITU 2025) and the UN commission on Science and Technology for Development (UNCSTD 2024). I have also participated in the ISED informal working group on WSIS+20 providing advice to the Canadian government team on citizen perspectives (2025). As a member of the TC Board, I contributed to similar discussions that resulted in a Canadian civil society response to the WSIS agenda in 2005. From 1995 to 2012, I have helped build policy bridges between community networking practitioners operating Community Access Program sites and federal government departments.

■ **Other Board experience**

- SchoolNet National Advisory Board (Industry Canada) 1994-1997,
On behalf of my employer at the time, the Canadian Teachers' Federation, I was a member of Industry Canada's SchoolNet National Advisory Board which directed the SchoolNet initiative – an early federal program supporting Internet connectivity in Canadian schools.
- the Youth Initiatives Steering Committee (Software Human Resources Council) 1995-1996
- the Canadian Alliance of Education/Training Organizations (CAETO) 1996-97,
- the National Network for Lifelong Learning (OISE/UofT) 1999-2000.

As a member of these boards and a researcher by profession and nature, I always came to board and committee meetings with a solid knowledge of the research surrounding the issues under discussion. I was able to offer perspectives that would not otherwise have been presented.

RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE

■ [Canadian Research Alliance for Community Innovation and Networking \(CRACIN\)](#)

Co-investigator (2003-2007)

CRACIN was a research partnership funded by a four-year grant from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Initiative on the New Economy (INE). The project investigated the status and achievements of community-based information and communication technology (ICT) initiatives in Canada. Partners included academic researchers from an interdisciplinary mix of university departments across Canada; three federal government departments; community networking practitioners and advocates from seven leading Canadian community-based technology initiatives as well as international participants.

Besides helping to direct the work of this large community of researchers, I led a quantitative survey on the uses and effects of federally supported community access sites and helped organize a multi-stakeholder conference on telecommunications policy which informed policy makers at various levels.

■ **Carleton University. Faculty of Science. [Technology, Society and Environment Studies \(TSES\)](#).**

Sessional lecturer (2007-2012)

TSE courses were multidisciplinary courses which give students a broad view of interactions between technology, society, the environment. Students are encouraged to reflect on the fact that the development of technology will no longer be governed solely by technical feasibility and economic gain, but also by desirability in terms of human and environmental values.

As lecturer in the TSE course [Innovation](#) (3rd & 4th yr undergraduate level), I brought a new focus on social innovation and nurtured relationships with leading innovators in the community. Local innovators are invited into the classroom to share their experiences and students are invited to venture outside of the classroom for examples of innovative practices. The importance of policy work to achieve the desirable balance between social and economic goals is also highlighted.

■ **[Canadian Teachers' Federation](#)**

Head of Research and Technology (1992 - 2001)

Founded in 1920, the Canadian Teachers' Federation (CTF) is a national alliance of provincial and territorial teacher organizations that represent nearly 200,000 elementary and secondary school teachers across Canada. CTF is also a member of the international body of teachers, Education International.

As Head of Research and Technology, I managed a group of six researchers, IT specialists and support staff. In my early days there, I led a two-year education and training process that brought an office of 60 people out of the world of typewriters to the world of personal computers. From this experience, I learned a great deal about the challenges workers encounter when faced with major technological change and the responsibilities of management to handle such changes in a well-planned, sensitive and secure atmosphere.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

University of Calgary
Honours B.A. Program
History/ Modern Languages
1967-1970 (incomplete)

Université Laval
Certificat en français langue étrangère ou seconde 2008
+ annual five-week immersion in French language skills

LANGUAGES

English (fluent) French(fluent, oral comprehension & expression, mid-level written)
German (fluent oral comp. & expression.) Dutch (oral comp.)