



The Halbert Centre for Canadian Studies
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
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CALL FOR PAPERS
The 16th Jerusalem Conference in Canadian Studies
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Globalization and Innovation: Canada and Israel in Comparative Perspective

Innovation is considered nowadays as a necessary foundation for the vitality of organizations and nations, directly impacting their growth and prosperity. Whereas once natural-, financial-, and human capital were considered critical for robustness, today the focus is on innovativeness, namely the capacity for creativity and implementation of novel ideas and practices. Therefore, seeing that innovativeness regarded as critical for any society, community, region, firm, or organization that face fast changing conditions or fierce competition, innovation rose to be the central component for policy-making and strategic planning worldwide. Moreover, nations and organizations compete not only for better outcomes of innovation, such as higher rates of innovation-based fortunes, but also for better reputation as innovators.

How has this global “innovation imperative” impact the global integration and the development of nations, regions, and firms? How is Canada positioned in the increasingly dense and global web of innovation-based ventures and projects? And, how has the reputation of Israel as “start-up nation” reflect on Canada’s innovation policy and on the innovation strategy of Canadian firms and organizations? Putting Canada and Canadian affairs in the context of the phenomenal rates of worldwide expansion of innovation, the *16th Jerusalem Conference in Canadian Studies* shall be devoted to debating the social role of innovation in delivering progress and justice to people and societies worldwide, also through comparing among different nations, different sectors, and different historic eras.

The Halbert Centre for Canadian Studies at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and the Israel Association for Canadian Studies are convening a three-day conference at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem to steer discussions that situate Canada and Canadian affairs within the context of globalization and innovation. The conference shall particularly, yet *not exclusively*, address the relevance of globalization of innovation to the following topics, from diverse disciplinary perspectives:

- Various social spheres including various sectors (high-tech, industry and commerce; education, academia and science; healthcare; civic mobilization; and more);
- Various forms of organizing (public and governmental agencies, for-profit firms, and civil society organizations), as well as to cross-sector partnerships;
- Link between innovation and entrepreneurship;
- Policy-making and strategy: Global, national and organizational dimensions;
- Innovation divides: Global, gender, ethnicity, and class inequalities in high-tech and related innovation spheres;
- Global migration and cross-cultural aspects of innovation.

Conference organizers welcome submissions from **scholars and researchers** from a diverse set of disciplines, as well as from **practitioners and policy-makers**.

Submission guidelines:

- Proposals for Panel Chairing and research papers should directly relate to the main themes of the conference and highlight Canadian relevance.
- Proposals should adhere to the following format:
 - *Research papers* should include title, abstract (no longer than 350 words), and description of author(s) professional career (about 250 words), and author(s) contact information (e-address, as well as telephone and fax numbers)
 - *Panel Chairing* should include panel title and abstract that specifically highlight the topic cohesion across the papers and the relevance for specific conference themes (no longer than 350 words). Panel proposals should also include information about the panel chair (career description and contact information, as well as four (4) paper proposals, in the format listed above.
 - Proposals should be submitted in English.
- Due date: all proposals must be sent to the Conference Secretariat *no later than 1 October 2018*.
- Timeline: authors will be notified regarding the status of their proposal by 31 December 2018.
- Questions, concerns, and inquiries should be addressed to the Conference Secretariat.

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