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E³ = **E**thical, **E**conomic, **E**nvironmental

L = **L**egal

S = **S**ocial *aspects*

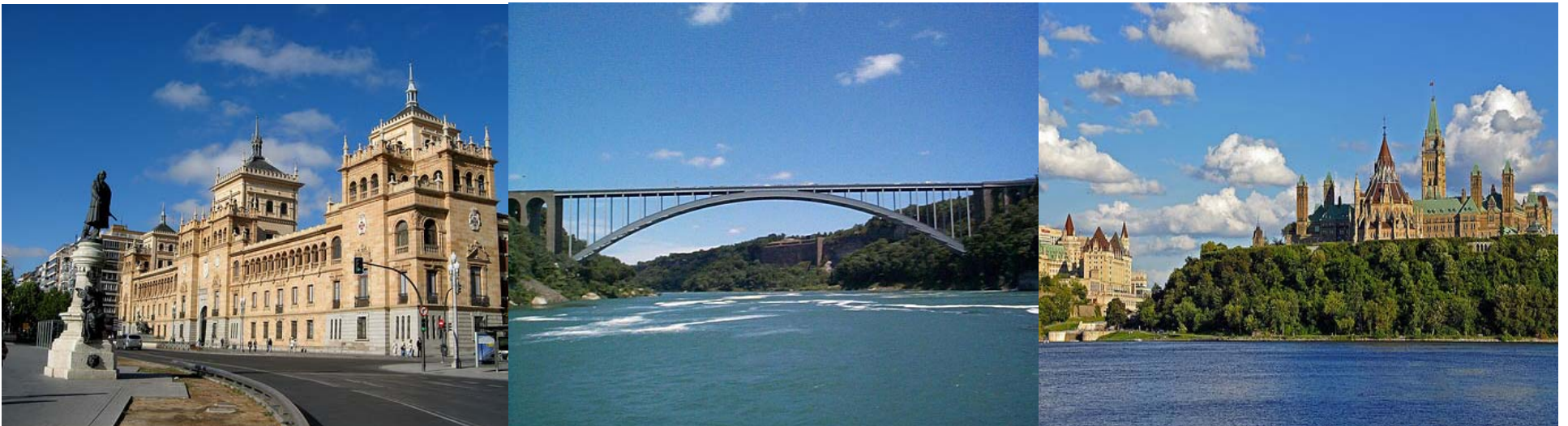


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Objectives:

Broker two-way knowledge transfer between researchers & federal policy-makers in order to:

- 1) facilitate dialogue needed to inform evidence-based public policy, and,
- 2) identify research priorities based on timely & socially relevant questions.





Theme for Year 1 Series:

Genetic Information

Sub-Themes:

- Consent, Privacy & Research Biobanks
- Genetic Information & Discrimination
- On-line Direct-to-Consumer Genetic Testing



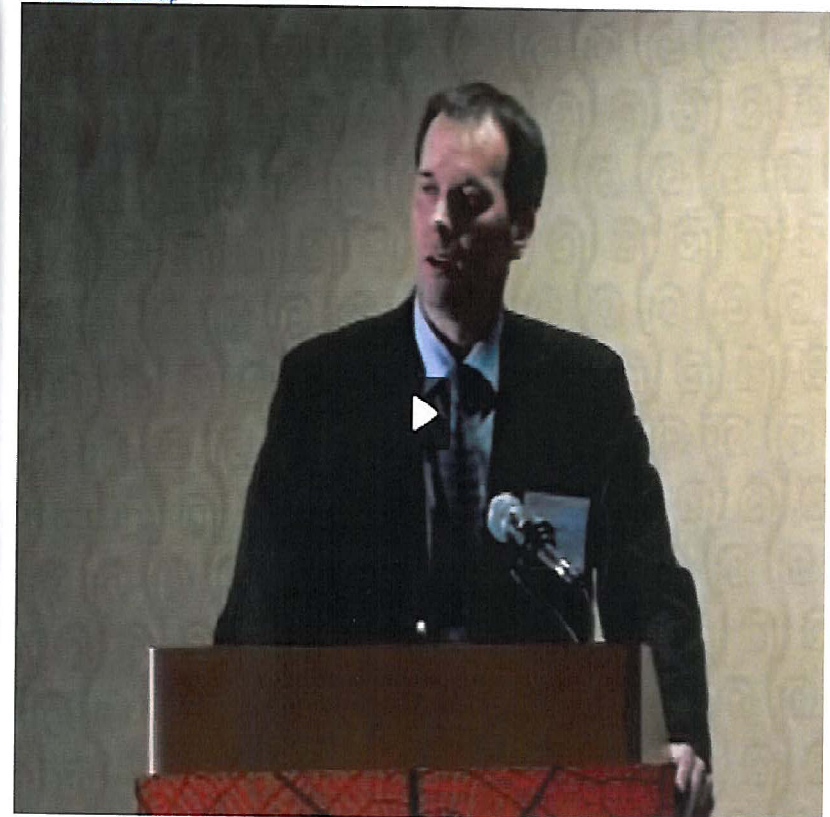
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Core Partners for Year 1 Series:



Events:

- Provide a neutral meeting place for open and frank discussion
- Small, invitation-only events in Ottawa
- Participants to include researchers, senior federal policy-makers, and interested stakeholders relevant to the theme and/or sub-theme
- early start, half-day only, no media, focussed discussion
- stand-alone luncheon intended for broader audience, big picture, international perspective



Luncheon Keynote Address: Delivering the Promise of Research Biobank & Safeguarding Public Trust. Graeme Laurie, Chair, Ethics and Governance Council, UK Biobank.



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Policy Directions” Briefs:

- 5-6 pages
- balanced synthesis of research knowledge and discussion of plausible policy options
- context, issue, analyses, assumptions, qualifications, practical considerations, potential research questions
- no recommendations
- main audience = senior federal policy-makers
- peer-reviewed



2009-2010 Series on Genetic Information
*Revisiting Genetic Discrimination Issues in 2010:
Is Canada on the Right Course?*
April 16, 2010, 8:00 am. - 2:00 pm.
Lord Elgin Hotel, 100 Elgin Street, Ottawa, ON



- 1. Format**
- 2. Expectations**
- 3. Outcomes**
- 4. Next Steps**



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Indicators of Success:

1. Events are considered credible, and of high interest priority for policy-makers and researchers
2. Policy-makers are informed of the evidence base underlying various policy options and researchers are informed of practical considerations and potential research questions
3. The policy directions briefs are a key resource for policy-makers to turn to when information or advice is solicited
4. Ongoing dialogue is fostered between researchers and policymakers



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