



# Alberta Financial Research Partnership: Building Opportunities for Canada's Financial Sector

## Background

The School of Public Policy at the University of Calgary, in partnership with the Government of Alberta's Department of Finance, invites you to a special roundtable on Monday, June 16, 2025.

This event marks the culmination of a three-year research partnership focused on identifying and evaluating strategic opportunities to strengthen Alberta's financial sector.

Over the course of this collaboration, more than a dozen distinct research programs were undertaken, each contributing to a broader understanding of how Alberta, and Canada more broadly, can build a more dynamic and competitive financial ecosystem.

The roundtable will showcase select research outcomes from this initiative and foster dialogue on future research directions and policy development opportunities across Canada's financial landscape. The event will bring together leaders from the financial business community, academia and government for a thoughtful and forward-looking conversation.

Opening remarks will be delivered by Dr. Jack Mintz and Alberta's Assistant Deputy Minister of Financial Sector Regulation and Policy, Chris Merriman. A keynote speech over lunch will be delivered by Travis Toews, former Minister of Finance for the Province of Alberta.

Secure your spot today and join us for this unique gathering of thought leaders and decision-makers dedicated to energizing Canadian capital markets.

## Event Details

**Date:** Monday, June 16, 2025

**Time:** 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. MDT

**Location:** Capital Room, Queen Elizabeth II Building, Edmonton, Alberta

**Address:** 9820 107 St NW, Edmonton, AB

**Format:** In-person event

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## Agenda

8:30 a.m. MDT

### Event check-in

9:00 - 9:20 a.m.

### Introductions

- **Dr. Jack Mintz**, President's Fellow, School of Public Policy, University of Calgary
- **Chris Merriman**, Assistant Deputy Minister of Financial Sector Regulation and Policy, Ministry of Treasury Board and Finance, Government of Alberta

9:20 - 10:05 a.m.

### Technology Transfer: The Rise of the Entrepreneurial University Presenter

- **Dr. Mark Huson**, Professor, Department of Finance, Alberta School of Business, University of Alberta

### Moderator

- **Bryce Tingle, KC**, N. Murray Edwards Chair in Business Law, Faculty of Law, University of Calgary

10:05 - 10:50 a.m.

### Alberta and Open Banking Presenter

- **Dr. Ryan Clements**, Director, Advanced Research and Knowledge Management, Alberta Securities Commission

### Moderator

- **Chris Merriman**, Assistant Deputy Minister of Financial Sector Regulation and Policy, Ministry of Treasury Board and Finance, Government of Alberta

10:50 - 11:10 a.m.

### Networking Break

11:10 – 11:55 a.m.

### Hunting Sacred Cows: Ideas for Re-Energizing Canadian Public Markets Presenter

- **Dr. L. Daniel Wilson**, Associate Dean, Academic, and Chair in Business Law & Regulation, Faculty of Law, and Scientific Director, Financial Markets Regulation, School of Public Policy, University of Calgary

### Moderator

- **Dr. Jack Mintz**, President's Fellow, School of Public Policy, University of Calgary

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## **Agenda Continued**

11:55 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.

### **Closing Remarks**

- **Dr. Jack Mintz**, President's Fellow, School of Public Policy, University of Calgary
- **Chris Merriman**, Assistant Deputy Minister of Financial Sector Regulation and Policy, Ministry of Treasury Board and Finance, Government of Alberta

12:10 – 1:30 p.m.

### **Keynote Lunch Presentation**

- **Travis Toews**, former Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board, Province of Alberta

1:30 p.m.

### **Event ends**