



ROYAL CANADIAN MILITARY INSTITUTE

DEFENCE AND SECURITY STUDIES ANNUAL CONFERENCE

GLOBAL CHALLENGES TO CANADIAN SOVEREIGNTY IN THE ARCTIC

APRIL 24, 2019

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

- 0830-0900 Registration and Coffee
- 0900-0915 Opening remarks and conference administration: Dr. Michael Hoare, President and Executive Director, RCMI and Dr. Daniel Eustace, Director, Defence and Security Studies Program, RCMI
- 0915-1000 Opening Keynote: The Honourable Bob Rae, P.C., C.C., O.Ont., Q.C.
- 1000-1015 Health Break
- 1015-1130 Panel 1: *Arctic Defence and Security Challenges*
- Moderator: Lieutenant-Colonel John Selkirk, Executive Director, Reserves 2000 and Member, Defence and Security Studies Program Committee, RCMI
- Speaker 1: Lieutenant-Commander Mike Bielby, J3 North America Surveillance and Control, Canadian Joint Operations Command
- Speaker 2: Adam MacDonald, PhD Candidate, Dalhousie University
- Speaker 3: Dr. Andrea Charron, Director of the Centre for Defence and Security Studies and Associate Professor at University of Manitoba
- 1130-1230 Buffet Luncheon
- 1230-1345 Panel 2: *The Effect of Arctic Climate Change: Opportunities and Threats*
- Moderator: Julie Lindhout, Immediate Past President, Atlantic Council of Canada and Member, Defence and Security Studies Program Committee, RCMI
- Speaker 1: Dr. Shelagh Grant, Adjunct Professor, Trent University and Fellow, Royal Canadian Geographical Society
- Speaker 2: Alison LeClair, Senior Arctic Official and Director General, Circumpolar Affairs and Eastern Europe & Eurasia Relations, Global Affairs Canada
- Speaker 3: Dr. P. Whitney Lackenbauer, Canada Research Chair (Tier 1) in the Study of the Canadian North and Professor in the School for the Study of Canada, Trent University
- 1345-1600 Panel 3: *The Future of Canada's North*
- Moderator: Dr. Daniel Eustace, Director, Defence and Security Studies Program, RCMI
- Speaker 1: Lieutenant-Colonel Matt Richardson, Commanding Officer, 3rd Canadian Ranger Patrol Group
- Speaker 2: Mr. Wayne Walsh, Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada
- 1600-1630 Closing Presentation: Hon. David Akeeagok, Deputy Premier and Minister of Economic Development and Transportation, Government of Nunavut