

## **Invitation to Attend the CSLS Seminar Series on Living Standards**

## Economic Policies in Canada, 1965-1980 - What Did We Learn?

David Dodge 3:00-4:30 PM Thursday, December 7, 2017 Karsh Room, Rideau Club 99 Bank Street, 15th floor Ottawa, Ontario

(please note that the Rideau Club dress code requires men to wear a jacket)

To attend, please RSVP by December 1, 2017 to <a href="mailto:andrew.sharpe@csls.ca">andrew.sharpe@csls.ca</a>.

Note: The seminar will be immediately followed by the CSLS Holiday Reception in the Laurier Room. All seminar participants are cordially invited to stay for this event.

The 1960s and early 1970s until the first OPEC oil price shock are considered the halcyon days of Canadian economic performance. The unemployment and inflation rate were low, productivity and employment growth were strong, and real incomes were rising. The second half of the 1970s saw a deterioration in economic performance, with rising inflation and lagging productivity growth. To what degree did economic policy influence, both positively and negatively, economic outcomes in these two sub-periods? What are the lessons for the contemporary policy makers from the economic policies of the 1965-1980 period?

In this seminar, David Dodge, a key player in economic policy in Canada since the 1970s, will address these questions through a discussion of the problems, opportunities, and constraints that economic policy makers faced in the 1965-1980 period.

David Dodge is currently Senior Advisor at Bennett Jones LLP. He enjoyed a stellar career in the federal public service, including serving as Deputy Minister of Finance, Deputy Minister of Health, and Governor of the Bank of Canada. He has headed many boards and advisory groups, including serving as Chancellor of Queen's University. He holds a BA from Queens University and a PhD from Princeton University, both in economics.