

Invitation to Attend the CSLS Seminar Series on Living Standards

Towards More Comprehensive Measures of Well-being: Developing Integrated Statistics to Understand Linkages between Economy, Environment and Society

André Loranger

3:30-5:00 PM Thursday, June 27, 2024 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 June 24, 2024 to andrew.sharpe@csls.ca.\

In recent years, there has been growing recognition that GDP is not a measure of well-being and that one must go "beyond GDP" to obtain a comprehensive picture of the well-being of an economy and society. The development of these comprehensive measures of well-being is now a priority for Statistics Canada

In this presentation, Andre Loranger, Chief Statistician at Statistics Canada, will provide an overview of the initiatives the agency is taking to develop more comprehensively metrics to assess the well-being of Canadians. These initiatives, such as the Qualityof Life Framework, emphasize the connections between the economy, environment, and society, and are designed to support decision makers when evaluating these interconnected domains. Enhancements to the SNA framework designed to strengthen the capacity of economic statistics programs to inform on the inclusiveness and sustainability of economic activity will also be discussed. The work that Statistics Canada is engaged in internationally to move different aspects of the well-being agenda forward will be highlighted.

André Loranger is Chief Statistician of Canada. He is an experienced senior public official, having worked at Statistics Canada for 26 years, leading large and complex statistical programs covering all aspects of the Canadian economy. He has previously served as Assistant Chief Statistician for Economic Statistics and Assistant Chief Statistician for Strategic Data Management, Methods and Analysis. He is currently the chair of the United Nations Network of Economic Statisticians and the chair of the United Nations Committee of Experts on Environmental-Economic Accounting. Mr. Loranger holds an M.A. (Economics) degree and a Bachelor of Social Sciences (Economics) from the University of Ottawa.