



Invitation to Attend the CSLS Seminar Series on Living Standards

Pension Policy in an Uncertain World

Stephen Poloz
3:30-5:00 PM
Monday, February 3, 2025
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 January 31, 2025 to andrew.sharpe@csls.ca.

To spur greater investment in Canada, the federal government announced in Budget 2024 that Stephen Poloz, former Governor of the Bank of Canada, would explore ways to facilitate domestic investment opportunities for Canadian pension funds, including in the priority areas of infrastructure, AI, and venture capital. Since then, the former Governor has actively consulted and engaged with pension funds, equity investors, academics, unions, and industry representatives on ways to facilitate domestic pension investment.

In connection with that work, in the *2024 Fall Economic Statement*, the government indicated that is moving forward with a suite of measures to facilitate increased pension fund investment in Canada. One measure is removing the current rule limiting investments in Canadian entities by pension funds to no more than 30 per cent, making it easier for Canadian pension funds to make significant investments in Canadian entities.

In this seminar, drawing on his consultations with the players in the pension community, the former Governor will provide his unique perspective on the current state of pension policy in Canada and how it should evolve going forward given the age of uncertainty in which we live.

Stephen Poloz served as Governor of the Bank of Canada from 2013 to 2020. He is currently a Special Advisor for Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP. From 2010 to 2013 he served as CEO and President of the Export Development Corporation. Raised in Oshawa, Ontario, he is a graduate of Queen's University and holds a MA and PhD in economics from Western University.