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David Dodge wins IPAC's most Prestigious Award

Victoria, August 30, 2011 – The Institute of Public Administration of Canada (IPAC) has awarded Dr. David Dodge the Vanier Medal for his contributions to Canadian public service.

The Vanier Medal is IPAC's highest form of recognition, created in 1962 in honour of the Right Honourable Georges-P. Vanier, Canada's Governor General. The Medal is awarded to a person who has shown distinctive leadership and made significant contributions in public administration and to the public service in Canada.

The announcement took place at IPAC's 63rd Annual Conference in Victoria, British Columbia on August 30. This conference brought together 500 delegates from all orders of government in Canada, academics, and guests from around the world.

The Vanier Selection Committee felt that there was no one more deserving of the 2011 Vanier Medal than David Dodge, who showed great leadership, skill, judgement and a very steady hand as Governor of the Bank of Canada from 2001-2008. He is also well known for safeguarding the fundamental tenets of the Canadian financial regulatory system and for speaking about the value of public service.

Dr. Dodge has led a very distinguished career as an academic and a public servant. He was educated in Economics at Queen's and Princeton Universities. Dr. Dodge has taught at Queen's, Johns Hopkins and at the University of British Columbia. He was the Deputy Minister of Finance from 1992-1997, and served as Deputy Minister of Health from 1998-2001.

In 2008 Dr. Dodge was named Officer of the Order of Canada and elected in 2009 as a fellow of the Royal Society of Canada, one of the highest honours for scholars in Canada.

Dr. Dodge is Chancellor of Queen's University, and serves on several boards including the C.D. Howe Institute, the Canadian Institute for Advanced Research, Canadian Utilities and the Bank of Nova Scotia. Dr. Dodge is Senior Advisor at Bennett Jones LLP in Ottawa.

About IPAC

IPAC is a dynamic association of public servants, academics, and others interested in public administration, founded in 1947. It is a membership-based organization with 17 regional groups across Canada. IPAC creates effective knowledge networks, leads public administration research and is a major player in exporting successful Canadian public-sector expertise around the world.

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