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### 1. Managing the Green Workplace /Innovations in Greening

#### The 2008 Innovative Management Award

For many years, scientists have been warning us that our consumption behaviours were causing vast changes in the fragile eco- system. This year the **IPAC Innovative Management Award** will focus on celebrating the successes that government and broader sector organizations have achieved in managing a truly [green workplace](#).

In 1990 The Institute of Public Administration launched this award sponsored by IBM and KPMG to recognize exceptional management within the public sector of Canada. For more information about this award click here:

### 2. Professor Thomas Homer- Dixon On the Move: Balsillie School of International Affairs

Professor Thomas Homer - Dixon is leaving the University of Toronto to take a post at the new Balsillie School of International Affairs this summer. He says "I have a chance at Waterloo to shape the development of an institution that is going to have a huge influence on Canada and participate in the development of what it is going to do, going out decades, long after I leave . "(Elizabeth Church Globe and Mail). There is a vision, skilled strategic administration and funding by Research in Motion to make it all possible.

The Balsillie School of International Affairs is a collaborative initiative of the University of Waterloo and Wilfrid Laurier University, with the support and involvement of the Centre for International Governance Innovation. The School was established as the result of a gift of \$100 million from Jim Balsillie, announced June 25, 2007. The institution will position itself on the world stage beside others as Harvard's John F Kennedy's School of Government. A bestselling author including *The Upside of Down: Catastrophe, Creativity and the Renewal of Civilization* and the *Ingenuity Gap*.

### 3. The International Front – Delivering Democracy

**Delivering Democracy:** IPAC, International Programs has been invited by the Center for the Study of Democracy at Queen's University to develop a case study, *"Delivering Democracy: Defining success and evaluating the effectiveness of democratic assistance programs."* Using Ghana as an example, we are looking

*democratic assistance programs.*" Using Ghana as an example, we are looking at how well the evaluation frameworks and evaluations of public administration reform programs used by various donors link to the "higher-level" evaluation frameworks and evaluations used to assess quality of governance and democratization.

At a conference *Creating Democratic Value: Evaluating Efforts to Promote Democracy Abroad* on February 25, 26, 2008, Gord Evans will present a paper on our initial findings.

#### **4. In Ontario- Can Local Healthcare Governance Survive?**

Ontario's health care system is undergoing a fundamental transformation. 139 representatives from across the province including CEO's and board members from LIHNS, hospitals, Community Care Access, Centres, community service providers and other stakeholders attended the conference held in Toronto on January 16, 2007. Ron Sapsford, Deputy Minister MOHLTC reiterated that the MOHLTC has "now become a steward driving strategy and performance to make wise use of resources, making the health system accountable for outcomes and ultimately sustainable." "Can Local Healthcare Governance Survive?" Deputy Minister Sapsford confirmed that it has to survive if the changes in the system needed are to be achieved.

Clear responsibilities and accountability processes, common vision, outcome and public focussed, client service, innovation with no silos or bureaucratic systems among the whole are key to the partnership and message delivered by him. For copy of Ron Sapsford's presentation and other speakers including Gordon Cheesborough, Bonnie Adamson, Elinor Caplan, Ted Ball and Gabriel Sekaly go to:

#### **5. 60<sup>th</sup> IPAC Annual Conference – New World... New Society... New Public Administration -August 24 - 27, 2008 - Quebec City**

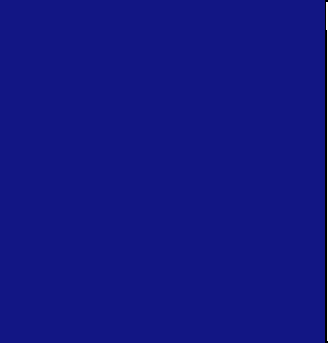
The 2007 Annual Conference in Winnipeg was an overwhelming success with over 560 delegates from across Canada and from around the world attending the event. **Mark Your Calendar** so you can attend. and enjoy the uniqueness of Quebec City. Quebec City's Old Town (*Vieux-Québec*) is the only [North American fortified city](#) north of [Mexico](#) whose walls still exist, and was declared a [World Heritage Site](#) by [UNESCO](#) in 1985 as the "Historic District of Old Quebec". It is also one of the oldest cities in [North America](#) (founded in 1608). Check the website shortly for details.

#### **6. The Passing of A Great Public Servant: Thomas Hector Mac Donald McLeod - January 4, 2008**

Tommy as he was known to many was president of IPAC in 1954 having served an executive member of the Council of the Institute from 1954- 58. Also he served as Chair of the IPAC Saskatchewan Regional group and on the Research Committee. In 1971 he was awarded the Vanier Gold Medal and the Order of Canada in 2003. He wrote Tommy Douglas's biography having been the first person hired by TC Douglas when the CCF came to power in 1944.

#### **7. Upcoming IPAC Events (<http://www.ipac.ca/Events> )**

**January 29-30, 2008** International Risk Management Conference (<http://www.ipac.ca/ConfBoardRM>)



**February 25-26, 2008** Canada's Energy Security: Superpower or player?  
(<http://www.ipac.ca/EnergyConference>)

**July 14-18, 2008** ISIA Annual Conference Kampala (Uganda) Enhancing Efficiency, Effectiveness and Equity in Public Service Delivery: Challenges, Opportunities and Good Practices