



## **MEMORIAL PRESENTS**





## The Atlantic Accord: A New-Found Vision?

The 1985 Atlantic Accord is one of the most important documents in the history of Newfoundland and Labrador. As a direct result of the Accord, the province is experiencing a historical level of prosperity, the Provincial debt has been reduced significantly, and the province is poised to become the hub of oil and gas exploitation in Eastern Canada and the Arctic. How did this federal-provincial agreement come to pass, after decades of mostly fruitless attempts by the Provincial Government in the courts of justice and of national public opinion? Who were the major players in negotiating the Accord? How does the Canadian situation compare to Australia's, which also negotiated offshore exploitation rights with its states? How should we now allocate revenues, among debt repayment, infrastructure development and service provision? And, most importantly, does our new-found prosperity change our self-confidence in shaping our own future?

These and other questions will be addressed by:

- Dr. Richard Cullen, visiting professor in the Faculty of Law at the University of Hong Kong
- Dr. Wade Locke, professor of Economics at Memorial University

Come listen to the presentations and contribute your thoughts during the discussion session. If you can't attend in person, the session will be webcast live at 7:30 NDT (23:00 GMT) at www.mun.ca/harriscentre

Angus Bruneau Lecture Theatre (Engineering Building, EN-2006)
Memorial University, St. John's, NL

Thursday, February 11, 2010, 7:30 pm

Free admission, reception to follow

Metered parking is available in lot 16 and in the parking garage across from the S.J. Carew building. Should the University be closed due to weather, this event will be held on Friday February 12, @ 7:30pm in the lecture theatre of the Inco Innovation Centre, and will be webcast live.

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