



State of NL Economy: From Bad to Worse

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Visiting Speaker: Dr. Wade Locke

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This presentation will provide an honest, transparent, and comprehensive assessment of the current state of the NL economy and its finances.

Dr. Leonard Wade Locke is a Full Professor of Economics at Memorial University of Newfoundland and is currently the Academic Head for the Department of Economics, Memorial University. He specializes in the Newfoundland and Labrador economy, resource economics, public finance, public policy, innovation indicators, productivity, economic impact assessment and cost-benefit analysis. Dr. Locke is a past president of the Atlantic Canada Economics Association. In 2007, he was appointed as an Honorary Lifetime Member of the Atlantic Canada Economics Association. In 2008 Dr. Locke was awarded Memorial University of Newfoundland, President's Award for Exemplary Community Service. He served on the Board of Governors, Law Foundation of Newfoundland and Labrador (2011-2015). For the 2103 budget cycle, he served as senior policy advisor to the Minister of Finance, Government of Newfoundland and Labrador. In 2012-13, Dr. Locke was appointed to the Council of Canadian Academies' Expert Panel on Canadian Industry's Competitiveness in Terms of Energy Use.

Dr. Locke was awarded the Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee medal in 2012. He was also a gold medal winner in economics at MUN and won a SSHRC Doctoral Fellowship and several university scholarships at McMaster University. He is a Country Analyst (Canada) for the PRIX Index – Institute of International Affairs, University of Nordland, Norway, was a member of the Independent Panel to Undertake a Public Review of the Implications of Hydraulic Fracturing Operations in Western Newfoundland, appointed by Minister of Natural Resources, Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, and has spoken to the Standing Committee on Finance, House of Commons on low oil prices and the Senate Committee on National Finances on equalization..

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