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The Atlantic Accord: A New-Found Vision?

Thursday February 11, 2010 7:30 p.m. Angus Bruneau Lecture Theatre (EN-2006, Engineering Building) Memorial University St. John's, NL



Dr. Richard Cullen

LLB (Hons) (Melb), PhD (Osgoode Hall, Canada), Barrister and Solicitor Vic, Solicitor (Hong Kong, England and Wales).



Richard Cullen is a Visiting Professor in the Faculty of Law at the University of Hong Kong (HKU). He was a Professor in the Department of Business Law and Taxation at Monash University in Melbourne, Australia, before taking up his position at HKU. He completed his LLB at Melbourne University Law School in 1982 and his doctorate at Osgoode Hall Law School in Canada in 1986. He is admitted to practise law in Victoria, Hong Kong, England and Wales and worked with a major law firm in Melbourne for two years.

He was a Lecturer and Senior Lecturer in the Faculty of Law at Monash University from 1987 until 1991. He then moved to Hong Kong to take up a position in the School of Law at the City University of Hong Kong from 1991-1997, where he was Acting Head of the Department of Professional Legal Education from 1992 to 1994.

He completed a year as an Associate Professor at the School of Law at Deakin University in 1997 prior to returning to Hong Kong as a Visiting Fellow at the City University of Hong Kong in 1998. He returned to Monash University in mid-1999 as Head of the Department of Business Law and Taxation, a position he held until mid-2001. He was a Visiting Professor at the City University of Hong Kong, twice, during the period August, 2001 – August, 2003

He has written and co-written several books and more than 130 articles, notes and commentaries and has been the recipient of a range of major and minor research grants. Richard's books include Federalism in Action (1990) and Media Law in the PRC (1996) (with H. L. Fu). One of his more recent monographs is The Rule of Law in Hong Kong (2005).

Richard has made presentations at seminars and conferences in recent years in Australia, Canada, China, England, Hong Kong, India, Japan, Macau, Malaysia, The Netherlands, Singapore and Sri Lanka. He has been a Visiting Scholar at Universities in Austria, Belgium, Canada, England, Japan and Switzerland. He is a member of the Hong Kong think tank, the Civic Exchange.

Dr. Wade Locke

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Dr. Leonard Wade Locke is a Full Professor of Economics at Memorial University of Newfoundland. He specializes in the Newfoundland and Labrador economy, resource economics, public finance, public policy, innovation indicators, productivity, economic impact assessment and cost-benefit analysis. He has published extensively in a variety of public policy fields.

In addition, Dr. Locke has provided his professional services to all three levels of government, to foreign governments and to national, local, regional and

international businesses. He has served as an expert commentator and analyst to the local, national and international media. He is also a past president of the Atlantic Canada Economics Association; is currently a member of the Canadian Science and Innovation Indicators Consortium; and is a senior policy advisor to the Atlantic Provinces Economic Council. His research has had a major impact on public policy, particularly on the public finance of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador and the development of its oil and gas resources.

Dr. Locke's formal training consists of a Ph.D. (Econ) and M.A. (Econ) from McMaster University and a B.A. (Econ) and B.Sc. (Biology) from Memorial University. He also has a certificate in Applied Petroleum Economics from Van Meurs Associates through the Centre for Management Development (MUN). He was a gold medal winner in economics at MUN and won a SSHRC Doctoral Fellowship and several university scholarships at McMaster University. He returned to the Province in 1984 and accepted an appointment in Economics at Memorial.

When he returned to Newfoundland and Labrador, the province's petroleum industry was about to take off and he conducted seminal economic research on the Hibernia project. He was also asked to develop an economic model of the Hibernia project for the provincial government. His pioneering work in this area established him as an expert in the economics of the Province's natural resources.