FUTURE FORWARD SUMMIT

SHAPING PUBLIC POLICY IN CANADA

SEPTEMBER 23, 2025 | 8:15 AM - 5:00 PM | THE WESTIN, CONFEDERATION BALLROOM, OTTAWA

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7:30 AM Registration open

8:15 AM Welcome

8:30 AM Opening Keynote: Capturing Canada's Economic Opportunity

The Hon. Melanie Joly, Minister of Industry and Minister responsible for Canada

Economic Development for Quebec Regions

9:00 AM Special Presentation

Dominic Barton, Chairman, Rio Tinto

Followed by

In Conversation: Dominic Barton, Chairman, Rio Tinto and Sonia Verma, Global News

9:40 AM Panel Discussion: Open Banking & Fintech

What opportunities does open banking create for Canada's fintech sector to scale globally, and what barriers—policy or otherwise—stand in the way?

Andrew Graham, CEO & Founder, Borrowell Lucas Matheson, CEO, Coinbase Canada

Alana Barnes, Vice President, Digital Policy in the Payments & Digital

Division, Canadian Banker's Association

Moderated by: Heather Scoffield, CEO, Canadian Tax

Observatory

10:30 AM In Conversation

Faryar Shirzad, Chief Policy Officer, Coinbase

10:45 AM Coffee Break

11:00 AM Special Presentation

Patrick Rogers, CEO, Music Canada

11:15 AM Panel Discussion: Canada's Al Opportunity

From lab to global stage: seizing Canada's AI edge

Mark Schaan, Deputy Minister, Department of Artificial Intelligence & Digital Services

Dawn Nakagawa, President, Berggruen Institute

Marc Etienne Ouimette, Affiliated Researcher, Cambridge Bennett Institute

Rana Sarkar, Consul General of Canada, San Francisco

Kevin Chan, Global Policy Campaigns Strategy Director, Meta



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	Moderated by: Simon Kennedy, former Deputy Minister, Innovation, Science & Economic Development
12:15 PM	Break for lunch service
1:15 PM	Mike Moffat, Founding Director, Missing Middle Initiative
1:20 PM	Presentation: Economic Implications of the AI Boom + Canada's Adoption Imperative
	Sean Mullin, Economist / Former Advisor to the Prime Minister
1:35 PM	Panel Discussion: Building the Public Service of the Future Renewing Canada's institutions for a digital, diverse, and demanding era
	Nadir Patel, former Canadian High Commissioner to India Simon Kennedy, former Deputy Minister, Innovation, Science & Economic Development
	Janice Charette, former Clerk of the Privy Council and the Secretary to the Cabinet of Canada
	Moderated by: André Beaulieu, Chairman, Public Policy Forum
2:30 PM	Keynote
	Susan Holt, Premier of New Brunswick
2:50 PM	Coffee Break
3:15 PM	Panel Discussion: The Future of Canada's Immigration System From policy to practice - building an immigration system fit for Canada's Future.
	The Hon. Jason Kenney, Former Minister of Immigration The Hon. Marc Miller, Former Minister of Immigration Moderated by: The Hon. Anne McLellan, Former Deputy Prime Minister
4:15 PM	Fireside Chat: Canada/US: State of the Relationship
	Senator Tim Kaine, United States Senator, Virginia and Senator Peter Harder, Canadian Senator
4:45 PM	Closing Remarks

