

# INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL INNOVATION RESEARCH CONFERENCE 2025 PROGRAM



## DAY 1: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2025

8:00 - 9:00 am <b>Registration and Breakfast</b> (MacEwan Hall Ballroom)					
9:00 - 9:45 am <b>University of Calgary Speaker Welcome, Opening Remarks, and Plan for the Day. Opening Prayer by Elder Walter</b> (MacEwan Hall Ballroom)					
9:45 - 10:45 am <b>Keynote Speaker 1: Jurgen Howaldt - Shaping Society with Social Innovation</b> (MacEwan Hall Ballroom)					
10:45 - 11:15 am <b>Energy Break and Networking</b> (MacEwan Hall Ballroom)					
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<b>Stream 4:</b> Chairs: Elizabeth Chen, Anne LaFond	<b>Stream 2:</b> Chairs: Katharine McGowan, Sean Geobey, Maryam Mohiuddin Ahmed	<b>Stream 6:</b> Chair: Robert Gutsche	<b>Stream 5:</b> Chairs: Kelly Hall, Michael Roy	<b>Stream 13:</b> Chair: Karen Benzie	<b>Stream 9:</b> Chairs: Karl Janelle
11:15 - 11:40 am <b>1: Peter Milley &amp; Daphne Varghese</b> (Evolution of the Landscape of Social Innovation Initiatives in Canadian Universities: An Empirical Description and Analysis 2018-2023)	11:15 - 11:40 am <b>1: Mohammad Hannan Mia</b> (Decolonizing Social Innovation: Rethinking Social Economy Through Afro-Diasporic Political Thought) P. Akter, M. Ali, F. Yasmin, S. Hia	11:15 - 11:40 am <b>1: Ginette Lafreniere &amp; Lamine Diallo</b> (An Exploration of Trust-Based Funding for Black and Indigenous-Led Grassroots Organizations in the Region of Waterloo, Ontario: A Transformative Case Study) U. Cummings van Zyl, F. Baig, N. Zachariah	11:15 - 11:40 am <b>1: Jack Rendall</b> (Realist Constellations: How Community-Led Organizations Influence Health and Wellbeing Across Scotland, Northern Ireland, and England)	11:15 - 11:40 am <b>1: Awele Achi</b> (Disentangling How Directors' Exposure Influences Social Innovation Performance: A Moderated-Moderation Analysis Based on Evidence from Jordanian Social Enterprises) F. Taji, I. Al-Jubari	11:15 - 11:40 am <b>1: Karina Maldonado-Mariscal</b> (Buen Vivir in the Global South: A Critical Perspective on Innovation and Transitions) R. Holskens
11:40 am - 12:05 pm <b>2: Marthe Zirngiebl &amp; Katrin Bauer</b> (The Diffusion of Social Innovation Offerings within German Higher Education Institutions and Their Missions) D. Kruger, C. Kaletka, R. Kopp, A. Dederichs	11:40 am - 12:05 pm <b>2: Maria Rabadjeva</b> (Bridging the Gap: Advancing Social Innovation Diffusion through Practice Fields)	11:40 am - 12:05 pm <b>2: Bhawna Sarin</b> (Institutional Investors and Impact Investing: Aligning Profits with Purpose?)	11:40 am - 12:05 pm <b>2: Rachel Baker</b> (Evaluating Health and Wellbeing Outcomes: Longitudinal Survey and Economic Analysis of Community-Led Organisations in Scotland, Northern Ireland and England) H. Mason, S. Manoukian, N. Irvine, C. Donaldson	11:40 am - 12:05 pm <b>2: Michael Marks</b> ('Creating More Services for Young People without New Dollars': Using an Action Research Approach to Study the Development of a Youth Services Organizational Exchange Collective)	11:40 am - 12:05 pm <b>2: Tara Gates</b> (Social Innovation Approaches for Solving Energy Poverty) M. Hannouf, G. Assefa, I. Gates
		12:05 - 12:30 pm <b>3: Emmanuel Amaechi</b> (Green Gaze: Advancing Environmental STEM Education Through Youth-Led Innovation in Nigerian Secondary Schools)	12:05 - 12:30 pm <b>3: Kelly Hall</b> (Research Better Together: Strengthening Participatory Research Collaborations between Academics and Voluntary Organisations)	12:05 - 12:30 pm <b>3: Aqueel Wahga</b> (The Role of Proto-Institutional Sponsors in Developing Sustainability-Oriented Dynamic Capabilities: A Study of Pakistan's Leatherworking SMEs)	12:05 - 12:30 pm <b>3: Karl Janelle</b> (Unlikely Alliances and Strategic Experimentation: Towards Energy Democracy in Quebec)
12:30 - 1:30 pm <b>Lunch and Networking</b> (MacEwan Hall Ballroom)					
1:30 - 2:30 pm <b>Keynote Speaker 2: Katharine McGowan - Building a Complexity Informed Pedagogy</b> (MacEwan Hall Ballroom)					

2:30 - 3:00 pm Energy Break and Networking (MacEwan Hall Ballroom)					
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3:00 - 3:25 pm 3: <b>Elizabeth Chen</b> (Accelerating Innovation by Leveraging Human-Centred Design to Advance the Strategic Plan at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill)	3:00 - 3:25 pm 3: <b>Melissa Fuster &amp; Maille Faughnan</b> (Unpacking Complexity in Food Systems: A Systems Dynamics Approach) M. Munoz, E. Simon, A. Bilfield, L. Baker	3:00 - 3:25 pm 1: <b>Thomas Buchanan</b> (An In-Depth Examination of the Scottish FA Extra Time Programme and its Contribution to Community Well-Being in Scotland)		3:00 - 3:25 pm 1: <b>Katrin Bauer</b> (Social Innovation Orientation: A Measurement Approach in the Public Sector)	3:00 - 3:25 pm 4: <b>Karina Maldonado-Mariscal</b> (Exnovation Dynamics: Towards a Classification) A. Schell
3:25 - 3:50 pm 4: <b>Erin Hogan, Sean Geobey &amp; Tania Del Matto</b> (Bringing the Gown to the Town: Community-Embedded Classrooms for Fostering Social Innovation)	3:25 - 3:50 pm 4: <b>Michael Kriegel</b> (Embracing Complexity - Peer-organizing & Action Research in Social and Responsible Entrepreneurship) S. Baumann, S. Kapitza	3:25 - 3:50 pm 2: <b>Joanna Paulynn Masangkay</b> (Winning Beyond the Pitch: Exploration of How Player Care Shapes Success) C. Cho, A. Tonge		3:25 - 3:50 pm 2: <b>Daniel Auler</b> (Social Innovation as a Driving Force for Sustainable Food: Analyzing the Formation of Agroecological Markets from the Perspective of Co-Innovation Processes) M. Dalmoro, C. Bitencourt	3:25 - 3:50 pm 5: <b>Paul Varella &amp; Abigail Castri</b> (Sustainability through Cross-Sector Innovation: Synergies between Environmental NGOs and Resource Intensive Companies)
3:50 - 4:15 pm 5: <b>Mitch Wilson</b> (Advancing Digital Accessibility in Higher Education: Inclusive Learning Frameworks for Learners with Autism)	3:50 - 4:15 pm 5: <b>Ola Tjornbo</b> (Two Different Strategies for Scaling Social Innovation)	3:50 - 4:15 pm 3: <b>Ajwang Warria</b> (Women-Led Social Innovation(s) in a Rural Community in Kenya: Lessons for Policy and Practice) V. Chikadzi		3:50 - 4:15 pm 3: <b>Asta Jurgute</b> (Comparing Social Innovation Ecosystems Across the Globe: Insights from 12 Countries) E. Butkeviciene	3:50 - 4:15 pm 6: <b>Aqueel Wahga</b> (Co-creation for Green Transitions: A Comparative Analysis of Contexts, Mechanisms and Outcomes) F. Calo
4:15 - 4:40 pm 6: <b>Kyle McQuillan</b> (A Human-Centred Approach to the Creation of Meaningful Interdisciplinary Learning Opportunities)	4:15 - 4:40 pm 6: <b>Dilek Sayedahmed &amp; Maryam Mohiuddin Ahmed</b> (Mapping for Systemic Change: A Participatory Co-Design Approach to Understanding Social Innovation Ecosystems)	4:15 - 4:40 pm 4: <b>Renee Hunt</b> (Mindful Social Innovation Driving Transformative Change in Mental Health and Addiction Care: Co-Designing Solutions With Young People) A. MacDougall, M. Taylor-Gates, S. Thomas			4:15 - 4:40 pm 7: <b>Alissa Bilfield</b> (Love your City: An Exploration of Local Business Motivations for Adopting Place-based Sustainability Initiatives)

\* The ISIRC 2025 program is a preliminary outline and is subject to change.