



2025 MacPherson Talk

SOCIAL AND SOLIDARITY ECONOMY RESEARCH: WHERE WE ARE AND WHERE WE'RE GOING

DECEMBER 17, 2025
4:00 - 5:30 pm CST/SK (GMT-6)



ATTENDANCE OPTIONS



In-Person: 101 Diefenbaker Pl.

Online: via Zoom

Registration: Scan or visit
tinyurl.com/bouchardtalk

The 11th Annual MacPherson Talk features Dr. Marie J. Bouchard—whose distinguished career has significantly shaped the fields of social and solidarity economy (SSE) research and social innovation and co-operative studies—sharing observations concerning the state of scientific research on the SSE and suggesting how research could contribute to consolidating and shoring up the SSE field. Bouchard's timely talk comes on the eve of publishing *A Modern Guide to the Social and Solidarity Economy* (Edward Elgar, January 2026) with co-editor Damien Rousselière (Institut Agro, France), which demonstrates the SSE is more than just another sector of the economy, but a challenge to the dominant economic paradigm by fostering equitable patterns of resource and surplus distribution while promoting democratic, empowering, and emancipatory power relations.



Dr. Marie J. Bouchard

is Professor Emerita, Université du Québec à Montréal, emeritus of the Centre de recherche sur les innovations sociales (CRISES), and consultant to the International Labour Organization (ILO) and UN Task Force on the Social and Solidarity Economy (UNTFSSSE).

Bouchard held the Canada Research Chair on Social Economy (2003-13) and CIRIEC International Presidency of the Scientific Commission on the Social and Cooperative Economy (2015-25). She has been recipient of numerous awards, including the 2023 European Committee on Cooperative Research of the International Cooperative Alliance Award for Lifetime Achievement.



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honours the late Dr. Ian MacPherson, historian, educator, author, and passionate co-operator—a leading light of the international cooperative movement who personified the relationship between co-op academics and practitioners.