

## CANADIAN LEADERSHIP TASKFORCE ON DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

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### Meet our leaders:



**Dr. Wendy Cukier**  
Vice-President, Research and Innovation  
Ryerson University

*Chair of Diversity and Inclusion Taskforce*

*Wendy Cukier leads the strategy to grow research and to promote innovation and commercialization. Previously, she was the Associate Dean of the Ted Rogers School of Management, Canada's largest AACSB accredited business school with more than 8000 students. She has written more than 200 papers or reports on enabling technologies and innovation including the recent report called Transformation of Work, which explores the role of mobile technologies in the Canadian workforce and is the coauthor of the bestseller "Innovation Nation: From Java to Jurassic Park". She has recently been named the incoming President and Vice Chancellor of Brock University in St. Catharines.*

*Wendy has served on the Board of Directors of the Consortium for Aerospace Research and Innovation in Canada (CARIC), NPower and the Environics Institute. She currently serves on the boards of NPower, ReMAP refined manufacturing acceleration process, Women's College Hospital and several hi-tech start-ups. She is a recipient of the Governor General's Meritorious Cross, one of Canada's highest civilian honours and was named one of the University of Toronto's 100 Alumni Who Shaped the Century. In 2010 was selected as one of 25 Transformational Canadians by The Globe and Mail.*

*She holds a PhD in management science (York); an MBA and an MA (Toronto) and honorary doctorates from Laval and Concordia.*



**Ann Mainville-Neeson**  
Vice President, Broadcasting Policy and  
Regulatory Affairs  
TELUS

*Ann Mainville-Neeson is Vice President, Broadcasting Policy and Regulatory Affairs at TELUS Communications Company and is responsible for all regulatory matters related to TELUS' broadcasting and content services. Prior to joining TELUS in 2005, Ann has served as Executive Director of the Canadian Broadcast Standards Council (CBSC) and also as legal counsel at the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC). A trilingual lawyer, Ann has taught Droit des communications (Communications Law) at the University of Ottawa's Faculty of Law for 5 years.*

*Ann is the recipient of many prestigious awards including a Top Forty Under 40 award from the Ottawa Business Journal, a Community Builder Award from United Way/Centraide Ottawa, and a VOscar from Volunteer Ottawa for playing a leading role in volunteering in the community.*

*Ann is involved with many charities and community organizations. She is currently President of KidSport Ottawa and is a longstanding board member of foundations supporting the Canadian Museum of Science and Technology, the Canadian Museum of Agriculture and Food, and the Canadian Space and Aviation Museum. Ann has also recently been appointed to the National Board of Women in Communications and Technology.*



**Benoit Tessier**  
Executive Director, Employer Liaison  
Services  
Employment and Social Development  
Canada (ESDC)

*Benoit Tessier is the Executive Director of Employer Liaison Services within Employment and Social Development Canada. In a unique departmental role, Mr. Tessier works with industry and education representatives across Canada to support employers in recruiting domestic workers. He is also responsible for the Sectoral Initiatives Program which has the mandate to help industries identify, forecast and address their human resources and skills issues. The program funds partnership-based projects for key sectors of the Canadian economy.*

*In addition, Benoit is leading the implementation of the recently announced Post-secondary Industry Partnership and Co-operative Placement Initiative, to create partnerships between which will support partnerships between employers and post-secondary educational institutions and support new co-op placements and work-integrated learning opportunities for young Canadians, with a focus on high-demand fields, such as science, technology, engineering, mathematics and business, linking it to Canada's Innovation Agenda.*

*Since joining the public sector in 1997, Benoit has held various positions within the department, including Director of Strategic Planning & Accountability and Director of the Office of Labour Market Intelligence.*



**Catherine Crepps**  
VP, Card Tech & CIO  
Capital One Canada

*Katie Crepps is Vice President, Card Tech and CIO for Capital One Canada. Katie joined Capital One in November 2011. Her IT teams are responsible for all Canada technology development, US Card Core Processing, Fraud and Authorizations.*

*Katie has more than 20 years experience in the financial services industry – credit, debit and prepaid - which covers experience with all functions related to product management (fraud tools and services), contact center build and management, testing, network management, implementation services, vendor and contract management, remittance processing, operations, relationship management/client support (both technical and non-technical), audit accountability (inclusive of PCI DSS), vendor management, training and card payment processing. Prior to joining Capital One, Ms. Crepps spent 16 years with MasterCard, International and held roles within product support, member services, compliance, technical account management, risk products (including her role as a member of the International Security Committee) and Integrated Processing Solutions. Prior to joining MasterCard, Ms. Crepps worked in several roles within the Operations Divisions of both Mercantile and Mark Twain Bank.*

*Katie earned her Bachelor's degree from the University of Missouri, St. Louis, and holds an MBA from Lindenwood University.*



**David Moore**  
Director, Community Enablement, Chief  
Information Officer Branch  
Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat /  
Government of Canada

*With 30 years of service with the Federal Government, David is an experienced leader in the development and implementation of horizontal policies, strategies and programs, and has particular expertise in public service management and program delivery. David is currently a Director in the Treasury Board Secretariat working for the Chief Information Officer of the Government of Canada, where he contributes his talents and expertise in support of the enterprise-wide transformation of CIO organizations across the Government of Canada. David is also responsible for the enterprise digital collaboration tools, GCpedia and GCconnex and for developing an enterprise digital workspace for the Government of Canada.*

*David has an Honours degree in Public Administration from the University of Ottawa. David is also a recipient of a Treasury Board Secretariat Merit Award and a Health Canada Deputy Minister's Award.*



**Ellen Corkery-Dooher**  
Partner  
PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC)

*Ellen Corkery-Dooher is a fluently bilingual Partner with PwC (PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP). With over 30 years of experience, Ellen has worked with clients undertaking large scale change initiatives over the last 23 years and supported her clients as they transform their organizations. Prior to joining the consulting field, Ellen conducted at Carleton University and the Canadian Hospital Association. She also held a position as an EX at the Canada Customs and Revenue Agency in the Human Resources Branch where she led a significant HR transformation that affected all 45,000 employees.*

*Ellen has worked with private, public sector and not-for profit organizations as they transform their back office – most notably in the area of human resources management. She has led the development of the strategy and business case to change the operating model and underlying processes and technologies to improve the efficiency of HR. She has developed complex change management strategies and plans to accelerate the organization through the transition, manage workforce transition, strengthen leadership capability and focus on the delivery of benefits. She has a strong background in stakeholder engagement, outreach and communications in situations where employees and customers are experiencing change.*

*Ellen is a member of the Human Resources Professional Association of Ontario and the Shared Services and Outsourcing Network. She is a member of ITAC's Public Sector Business Committee and Charis the CIO Working Group focused on the innovation leadership series and mentorship program in collaboration with TBS' Chief Information Officer Branch. She is an active supporter of PwC's Women in Leadership program.*



**Scott Michaels**  
Chief Strategist & Partner  
Apply Digital

*Scott Michaels is Chief Strategist and Partner at Apply, a digital product studio based in Vancouver, Canada.*

*Scott has worked with many companies of all sizes to bring their products to market. He has been a leader on more than 150 custom applications for Fortune 500 companies, innovative startups, world-class agencies and leading brands like Bloomberg, ESPN, NBC, Amazon, and more. Having worked on the front lines of software development and project management for over two decades, Scott champions the need for a cohesive strategy for companies bringing products to the digital space.*

*A skilled deal maker and technology strategist, Scott brings insight into the quickly changing mobile market, including deep expertise on iOS, Android and the Internet of Things (IoT). Furthermore, Scott is known as an expert in the mechanics of app stores and app store rules. He is equally comfortable with technology, marketing, and business strategy.*