

Government Policy/Educational Consultancy

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UNIVERSITY HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAM REVIEWER

- 2023 **External Accreditation Board** (four members) for **Dublin City University's** proposed bachelor degree in Home Economics and Technology (BHT) (**Ireland**) (5-hour zoom consultation and subsequent document vetting and approval). Degree approved <https://www.dcu.ie/courses/undergraduate/institute-education/bachelor-education-home-economics-and-technology-post>
- 2022 **External reviewer** for the **Education University of Hong Kong's** new postgraduate diploma in education major: *Home economics/technology and living*. Submitted 31-page report. Program approved https://www.apply.eduhk.hk/pgde/PGDE_Sec#HETL
- 2014 Senate-appointed external curriculum examiner for the Faculty of Human Ecology, **University of Putra Malaysia**
- 2013 Invited external reviewer for **Greek** universities by the Hellenic Quality Assurance & Accreditation Agency for Higher Education (HQA)
- 2009 External Reviewer for Transformative Learning Centre at Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (**OISE**), **University of Toronto**. Academic program was renewed but has since transitioned to an independent network of activists https://www.eimearoneill.com/Eimear_O'Neill/Transformative_Learning.html
- 2008 Malta 10-day on site consultancy for the establishment of an Institute for Family Studies at the **University of Malta**, coordinated by the Cana Movement, the Association of School Councils (AKS) and the Permanent Secretary at the Ministry of Education (audience with the President of Malta and the Archbishop). Institute was established in 2008 and served as the precursor to the current Department of Child & Family Studies within the Faculty for Social Wellbeing <https://www.um.edu.mt/socialwellbeing/familystudies/>
- 2005-2006 International 6-member team reviewed research programs at **University of Helsinki, Finland** (Panel 9, Education and Home Economics). Home economics department was retained. <https://jyu.finna.fi/Record/jykdok.1002150?lng=fi>

TRANSDISCIPLINARITY

- 2025 Video *Recognizing transdisciplinarity*. Expert consultancy to **UNITAR-UNESCO** programme and e-course for the "Leaders in Higher Education Alliance and Programme - For Accelerating Sustainable Transformations" (LEAP-FAST) YouTube: <https://youtu.be/72YdF1zt7RQ>
- 2022-2025 Convergence and transdisciplinary consultant to the **University of Alabama Birmingham's** School of Professional Health's Office of Research and Innovation. <https://www.uab.edu/shp/home/office-of-research>
- 2007-2008 Ad hoc consultancy with Dr. John van Breda regarding the development of a transdisciplinary PhD program at Stellenbosh University, **South Africa**. Program launched November 2008 <https://www0.sun.ac.za/cst/phd-in-sustainable-development/>
- 2007 Invited consultant in **University of Toronto's** Faculty of Medicine Scholars Initiative Task Force; discussed transdisciplinary inquiry and transformative learning

OFFICE OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, INDUSTRY CANADA (now Innovation, Science, and Economic Development Canada [ISED])

- 2013-ongoing Inaugural member **Canadian Partnership for Public Policy-Oriented Consumer Interest Research (PPOCIR)** and **Consumer Interest Research Expert Group** Office of Consumer Affairs (Industry Canada) <http://ppocir.uwaterloo.ca/>
- 2013 Office of Consumer Affairs (Industry Canada) - **invited contract** on *establishing a best academic paper award for the consumer interest research network partners in Canada* (June), 20 page report
- 2012 Office of Consumer Affairs (Industry Canada) - **invited contract**, *Defining 'consumer interest research' in the context of Canadian policy making*. Analysis completed February (lead to 2013 contract above)
- 2011 Office of Consumer Affairs (Industry Canada) - one of 10 invited Canadian **academic consultants** to provide commentary on report titled *Academic Consumer Affairs Research in Canada: An Overview* (prepared 25-page report and participated in 1 hour follow-up conference call) (lead to 2012 contract above)
- 2004 After attending a Office of Consumer Affairs (Industry Canada) **invitational forum** on mapping a research agenda for the consumer research community in Canada, I was named to a **steering committee** for *Mobilizing Consumer Research*. The *2005 Canadian Consumer Trends Report* that emanated from the forum is available at <http://strategis.ic.gc.ca/epic/internet/inoca-bc.nsf/en/ca02088e.html>

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF BANKRUPTCY, ISED Canada

- 2018 **Office of the Superintendent of Bankruptcy (OSB) invited contract**, *Recommendations to improve the content and format of the proposed insolvency counselling curriculum* (submitted May)
- 1999 Industry Canada **invitational National Insolvency Forum** to develop proposals for changes to the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*, Halifax. Report released May 2000.
- 1994-2004 Under contract on three separate occasions, over ten years, to draft or update the **National Insolvency Practitioners Course** (and exam) coordinated by CAIRP (**Canadian Association of Insolvency and Restructuring Professionals**) (in affiliation with OSB) <https://cairp.ca/cqp-program.html> My ongoing contribution was a 175 page, peer-reviewed *Money in Context* module in a five-module course
- 1994 The above initiative started in 1994 with my lead involvement in an invitational 4-member **National Working Group** that reassessed and refined the Counselling Directive attached to the *1992 Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* (reporting to OSB superintendent). The Working Group's efforts led to **legislative changes** in the Act in 1995 and to the development of the above course to train Canadian insolvency counsellors for people going bankrupt or entering a consumer proposal.

CONSUMER POLICY CONSULTANCY

- 1999 **Invitational joint workshop** Industry Canada/Canadian Standards Association *International Consumers, Electronic Commerce and Standards Workshop* on policy initiatives (governments, NGO and industry representatives from five countries). <https://ised-isde.canada.ca/site/search-research-database/en/node/10045>
- 1997 **Working Group** developed a *Voluntary Code for Finance Company Credit Lenders* intended to be the industry standard. Project coordinated by The LOMBERG Network
- 1995 Prepared in-depth analysis of *Proposals for Harmonization of Cost of Credit Disclosure Laws in Canada* for co-chair of **Federal/Provincial Cost of Credit Disclosure Working Group**. Final report released in 2002

- 1990 -1991 **Federal Government Executive Interchange** with Consumer and Corporate Affairs Canada (CCAC, now ISED Canada). Involved with several key policy analysis projects and attendant lengthy reports:
- the service economy
 - consumer literacy
 - Atlantic consumer issues
 - business and government relations
 - a partnership strategy for managing marketplace change
 - the service economy and consumer transactions
 - international consumer policy
 - the consumer mosaic of the 90s
- 1991 Coordinating member of **CCAC's Steering Committee** that developed the infrastructure and work plan for the inaugural **CCAC Consumer Policy Framework Secretariat**. Originally identified as the *principal researcher* for the Secretariat's *Discussion Paper*; the work evolved to *White Paper* status, which I ghost co-wrote with Secret Security clearance: *The Marketplace in Transition* (Cat. No. RG 23-93/1992E), released May 1992.
https://publications.gc.ca/collections/collection_2019/isde-ised/RG23-93-1992-eng.pdf

CONSUMER ADVISORY BOARDS

- 2018- ongoing **Financial Literacy Network Nova Scotia** (2018-ongoing)
<https://novascotia.ca/financial-literacy/>
- 1994-ongoing **Consumers Council of Canada's (CCC) Public Interest Network (PIN)**
<http://www.consumerscouncil.com/>
- 2006-ongoing **Canadian Business Ethics Research Network**
- 1986-ongoing **Canadian Standards Association's (CSA) Consumer Network**; inaugural, Charter Member of **CSA Halifax Campus Advisory Panel** for its duration (1986-1995)
- 2002-2017 **Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives (CCPA)**; **Nova Scotia CCPA** Research Associate, by invitation
- 2010-ongoing Advisor to *Consumers in the Society for Consumer Citizenship Project* with **Japanese Economic and Social Research Institute (ESRI)**
<https://www.esri.cao.go.jp/index-e.html>
- 2012-2014 Inaugural member of Advisory Board for **Asian Consumer Protection Research Network (ACPRN)** based in **Singapore**
- 2009-2015 **Partnership for Education and Research about Responsible Living (PERL)** (was based in **Norway**, European Union Erasmus funding ended in 2015 – a network of 140 universities in 50 countries) built on CCN below. Only Canadian member. URL was <http://www.perlprojects.org/> see <https://research.brighton.ac.uk/en/projects/the-partnership-for-education-and-research-about-responsible-livi/>
- 2001-2009 **Consumer Citizen Network (CCN)** Norway URL was <http://www.hihm.no/concit/> (European Union Erasmus funding ended 2009; changed to PERL, see above) Only Canadian member

HEALTH CANADA POLICY ANALYSIS

- 2001 **Health Canada**, Health Products and Food Branch, Office of Consumer and Public Involvement, *Health Canada Survey of International Opinions of Transparency in the Human Health and Food Product Review Process* (51 page report). Published in 2003 in *International Journal of Consumer Studies*.
- 1995 In-depth analysis of **Federal Food Inspection System Organizational Options Discussion Paper** to the Director of the Office of Food Inspection Systems.