



# **ECONOMICS FOR JOURNALISTS**

Vancouver, BC – May 24-27, 2018 Pinnacle Hotel Harbourfront Vancouver

#### SAMPLE PROGRAM

Thursday, May 24	
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Reception
Friday, May 25	
8:00 am	Working Breakfast Breakfast and the program will take place in the main meeting room.
8:15 am	Welcome
8:20 am	Welcome and Introduction to the Fraser Institute
9:10 am	Speaker Introductions & Program Overview Tawni Hunt Ferrarini, Sam M. Cohodas Professor and Associate Director, Centre for Economic Education and Entrepreneurship, Northern Michigan University, Marquette, MI Ninos Malek, Professor of Economics, De Anza College, and San Jose State University, CA, USA Bill Watson, Professor of Economics, McGill University and Columnist, National Post
9:50 am	Session 1: The Economic Way of Thinking: Solving Economic Mysteries Ninos Malek
10:50 am	Break
11:00 am	Session 2: Mystery Nations: Institutions, Growth, and Freedom Tawni Hunt Ferrarini
11:45 am	General Q&A
12:00 pm	Lunch
12:45 pm	Session 3: Making Decisions at the Margin Ninos Malek
1:45 pm	Session 4: Property Rights and the Tragedy of the Commons Tawni Hunt Ferrarini
2:25 pm	Break
2:35 pm	Session 5: Be Nice to the Price: Laws of Supply and Demand and Shortages and Surpluses Ninos Malek and Bill Watson
4:35 pm	General Q&A
4:50 pm	Break
5:50 pm	Meet in Lobby Walk to restaurant
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm	Dinner





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### Saturday, May 26

8:00 am	Working Breakfast
8:15 am	Aha! Ninos Malek
8:35 am	Session 6: The Numbers 1: What Everyone Should Know About Economics: Nominal GDP and Real GDP Tawni Hunt Ferrarini
9:10 am	Session 7: The Numbers 2: What Everyone Should Know About Economics: CPI, the Unemployment Rate, and Productivity Tawni Hunt Ferrarini and Bill Watson
10:10 am	Break
10:20 am	Session 8: The End of the Chrétien Consensus Fraser Institute
11:10 am	Break
11:15 am	Session 9: Analyzing a Budget Without Breaking Down Fraser Institute
11:55 am	General Q&A
12:10 pm	Lunch
12:55 pm	Session 10: Trade Around the World: Canada and the Global Economy Ninos Malek
1:55 pm	Break
2:05 pm	Session 11: What is Money and Monetary Policy? Tawni Hunt Ferrarini and Bill Watson
3:05 pm	Break
3:15 pm	Session 12: The Financial Crisis: Why did the U.S. Economy Melt Down? Tawni Hunt Ferrarini
4:35 pm	General Q&A
4:50 pm	Dismissal





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### Sunday, May 27

8:00 am	Working Breakfast
8:15 am	Aha! Scott Niederjohn
8:35 am	Session 13: Why Good Politics is Bad Economics: Public Choice Theory 101 Ninos Malek and Bill Watson
9:45 am	Break
9:55 am	Session 14: Economics in the News Tawni Hunt Ferrarini, Ninos Malek and Bill Watson
10:40 am	General Q&A
11:00 am	Wrap up and Evaluations
11:30 am	Dismissal