



December 2020 Newsletter



BEST WISHES

On behalf of the entire CIRANO team,
I present you my best wishes
for the new year 2021.
Take care of yourself and your loved ones.

Nathalie de Marcellis-Warin
President and Chief Executive Officer

CIRANO NEWS

**Strategic partnership between CIRANO and the Autorité
des marchés financiers for the promotion of FinÉcoLab**

educational games in Quebec schools



CIRANO and the Autorité des marchés financiers are proud to announce the conclusion of a partnership agreement that will promote FinÉcoLab educational games over the next five years.

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Welcome to a new CIRANO Researcher



CIRANO is pleased to welcome a new researcher: Alphonse Singbo, Assistant Professor in the Department of Agri-Food Economics and Consumer Science at Université Laval.

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OUTREACH

Marcel Boyer panelist during The Assembly on corporate responsibility



On December 8, Marcel Boyer, Emeritus Professor in the Department of Economics at the Université de Montréal, CIRANO Researcher and Fellow, participated alongside Jean-Martin Aussant (CEOS), Jacques Drouin (Keira Capital) and Marie-Josée Privyk (Novisto) in the virtual theater event The Assembly on corporate responsibility.

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Roxane Borgès Da Silva recipient of a *Coup de cœur* award in the Commitment category of the Université de Montréal Rector's Awards

Roxane Borgès Da Silva is Associate Professor at the École de santé publique de l'Université de Montréal, Main Researcher of the theme Demography and Health and responsible of the CIRANO Pole on the



Efficiency of Health Services and Policies at CIRANO.
Congratulations!

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Carl-Ardy Dubois appointed Dean of the École de santé publique de l'Université de Montréal



Carl-Ardy Dubois, Full Professor and Director of the Department of Health Management, Evaluation and Policy at the École de santé publique de l'Université de Montréal (ESPUM), CIRANO Researcher, will become Dean of ESPUM for a term beginning January 1, 2021 and ending May 31, 2026.

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RESEARCH

Agri-food and sustainable development



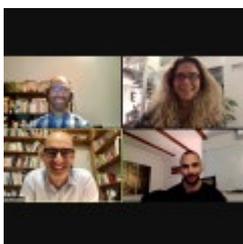
Check out our latest project reports in this major research theme:

- [Cadre d'évaluation de la durabilité adapté à la réalité des secteurs/filières bioalimentaires québécois \(Lota Tamini, Bernard Korai, Laurence Poulin, Bignon Aurelas Tohon, Wajdi Hellali\)](#) (French only)
- [Facteurs qui entravent ou facilitent l'expansion des PME en croissance rapide de l'industrie bioalimentaire \(Annie Royer, Josée St-Pierre\)](#) (French only)
- Participate in the webinar presenting the

highlights of this latest project report on February 17, 2021. [Save the date now!](#) (Event in French)

A LOOK BACK ON OUR EVENTS

A great closing event for the 2020 Cohort of Avant-Garde@CIRANO



On December 7, Christophe Abrassart (Université de Montréal) exchanged with the cohort of young leaders on the theme "Artificial intelligence and environment: the terms of the debate". A beautiful evening of exchanges and discussions for this last event of the 2020 Cohort of Avant-Garde@CIRANO.

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A symposium rich in discussions and reflections on the prospects and challenges of digital transformation



Nearly one hundred people attended this half-day virtual event organized on November 24th by CIRANO. *Le Québec économique 9 : Perspectives et défis de la transformation numérique*, written under the scientific direction of Nathalie de Marcellis-Warin and Benoit Dostie and under the coordination of Genevieve Dufour, will be available soon. Other events related to the book are to come.

[More information](#) →

Is Machine Learning a General Purpose Technology? Evidence from Online Job Postings

Keynote lecture by Avi Goldfarb, Rotman Chair in Artificial Intelligence and Healthcare and a professor of marketing at the Rotman School of Management, University of Toronto and author of *Prediction Machines: The Simple Economics of Artificial*

Intelligence (2018) as part of the 2020 Conference of the CIRANO Pole on the Socio-Economic Impacts of Digital Innovation and AI.

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Human Resources Forum - Hiring Discriminations



The last meeting of the year of the Human Resources Forum reserved exclusively for CIRANO partners was held on November 10. Claude Montmarquette and Brahim Boudarbat (Université de Montréal and CIRANO) presented their study "[Name as a Factor in Hiring Discrimination: Results from an Experimental Study](#)". The video of the presentation is now available for all [here](#). (French only)

[More information](#) →

UPCOMING EVENTS

Conference of Montreal Roundtable: COVID-19 - How International Scientific Research Efforts are Moving us Towards a Safer Future.

 Tuesday, December 15, 2020

Roundtable organized by CIRANO as part of the 26th edition of the Conference of Montreal of the International Economic Forum of the Americas.

[INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION](#)

External Activity : Launch of the Bilan de la fiscalité au

Québec - 2021 Edition

📅 Friday, January 8, 2021

The Chaire en fiscalité et en finances publiques (CFPP) invites you to the launch of the 2021 edition of the Bilan de la fiscalité au Québec (virtual activity). The event is organized in collaboration with the Association de planification fiscale et financière (APFF) and the Ordre des CPA du Québec. CIRANO is a diffusion partner of this event.

INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION

Launch of the Bourstad 2021 Challenge

📅 Tuesday, January 19, 2021

CIRANO and its main partner for this activity, Autorité des marchés financiers, will pay tribute to the winners of the 2020 edition and launch the registration campaign in the 34th edition of the Bourstad Stock Market Challenge. *By invitation only.*

INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION

Seminar: Factors that Prevent or Facilitate the Expansion of Fast-growing SMEs in the Bio-food Industry

📅 Wednesday, February 17, 2021

Annie Royer (Université Laval and CIRANO) and Josée St-Pierre (Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières and CIRANO) will present the results of the CIRANO report "Facteurs qui entravent ou facilitent l'expansion des PME en croissance rapide de l'industrie bioalimentaire".

INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION

Seminar: Montreal Econometrics Seminar 2020-2021

📅 Friday, February 19, 2021

Seminar organized in collaboration with CIREQ and the departments of economics of the universities of Montréal, Québec à Montréal, Concordia and McGill.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Project Reports

Cadre d'évaluation de la durabilité adapté à la réalité des secteurs/filières bioalimentaires québécois
(Lota Tamini, Bernard Korai, Laurence Poulin,
Bignon Aurelas Tohon, Wajdi Hellali)

La pandémie de COVID-19 et ses effets sur les finances publiques du gouvernement du Québec 2020-2035
(Bertrand Achou, Yann Décarie, Raquel Fonseca,
Pierre-Carl Michaud, Julien Navaux)

Facteurs qui entravent ou facilitent l'expansion des PME en croissance rapide de l'industrie bioalimentaire
(Annie Royer, Josée St-Pierre)

Working Papers

Free Trade and Economic Policies: A Critique of Empirical Reason
(The Working Paper Version)
(Marcel Boyer)

Counting the Dead: COVID-19 and Mortality
in Québec and British Columbia
(Yann Décarie, Pierre-Carl Michaud)

Trade Costs and Strategic Investment in Infrastructure in a Dynamic
Global Economy with Symmetric Countries

(Akihiko Yanase, Ngo Van Long)

OBAMACARE : Enjeux économiques et constitutionnels
(Marcel Boyer, Molivann Panot)

Keystone Players and Complementors:
An Innovation Perspective
(Frédéric Marty, Thierry Warin)

Visa Acquiring Plaid: A Tartan over a Killer Acquisition? Reflections on
the risks of harming competition through the acquisition of startups
within digital ecosystems
(Frédéric Marty, Thierry Warin)

A Pervasive Economic Fallacy in Assessing
the Cost of Public Funds
(Marcel Boyer)

Artificial Intelligence and Market Manipulations:
Ex-ante Evaluation in the Regulator's Arsenal
(Nathalie de Marcellis-Warin, Frédéric Marty,
Eva Thelisson, Thierry Warin)

Northeast America (NEA) Electricity Profile:
Proposal of a Free Trade Area
(Marcel Boyer)

From the First World War
to the National Recovery Administration (1917-1935)
The Case for Regulated Competition in the United States
during the Interwar Period
(Thierry Kirat, Frédéric Marty)

[ALL PUBLICATIONS](#)

