BORDERS IN GLOBALIZATION
2nd INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
Lord Elgin Hotel Ottawa, ON - December 6-8, 2017
Preliminary Program

Borders in Globalization (BIG) is a Canadian-led international research program with the mandate to build excellence in the knowledge of border studies. BIG addresses the globalizing forces of security, trade and migration flows, and the challenges of technologies, self-determination and regionalization around the world that are affecting borders and borderlands. We conduct research in consultation with non-academic organizations to move beyond scholarly discussions about borders, attempting to connect research to policy.

BIG will host its 2nd International Conference in Ottawa, ON, December 7-8, 2017, there is an affiliated public panel and reception on December 6 which all are encouraged to attend. The conference will bring together international border experts, government leaders, private sector partners and graduate students to discuss research to date. The purpose of the conference is to solicit feedback from policy-makers (serving as discussants, chairs, or audience members) on our projects before we shift to the publication stage of the project.

Wednesday, December 6, 2017

19:00 - 20:30  Public Forum – Canada Europe Dialogue on Migration (CEDoM)
Venue: Lord Elgin Hotel, Pearson Room

This event is free to the public, and is co-funded by the European Union, Erasmus+ under the Jean Monnet Action Program.

Speaker: Doug Saunders (Author, Journalist, The Globe and Mail)
Making population growth work: European and North American lessons in removing barriers to integration and inclusion

Moderator: Oliver Schmidtke (Director, Centre for Global Studies at the University of Victoria, EUCA.net.org Canada Europe Dialogue on Migration)

8:30 pm: Reception

Please register for this event through the conference website at: http://biglobalization.org/content/big-international-conference-2017.
Thursday, December 7, 2017

Venue: Lord Elgin Hotel, Pearson Room

08:00 Registration and Coffee

09:00 Welcome and Introductory Remarks

09:30 Plenary - BIG Introductory Panel

10:30 Coffee

10:45 – 12:15 Session I

Panel 1. Sustainability One. Borders and Sustainability – The Theory

Description: Borders frequently do not follow natural boundaries. Resource flows and pollution likewise cross numerous jurisdictions. Wildfires burn across multiple jurisdictions creating problems of emergency response. Globalization has intensified many of these phenomena. Conservation strategies frequently generate new borders that may or may not fit the ecological task for which they are established. Recently the rise of parochial and nationalist discourse suggests movements towards deglobalization which make cross border cooperation on numerous environmental matters more difficult. Teasing out these contradictions is the task for this panel.

Chair: Simon Dalby (Wilfrid Laurier University)

Discussants: John Hartig (University of Waterloo)

Speakers: Simon Dalby (Wilfrid Laurier University), Bordering Sustainability in the Anthropocene
Aleksandra Szafliarska (Wilfrid Laurier University, Student) Boundaries, Sustainability, and Conservation
Gabriel Cassie (University of Lethbridge, Student), Wildland-Urban Interface Fire Events in Alberta and British Columbia: A study in Emergency Management, Municipal Governance, and Forestry
Martin Roy (Global Affairs Canada), A Deglobalizing World?

Panel 2. Security One. Regional Perspectives on Border Security

Description: This panel presents findings from a series of seven studies of regional dimensions of border security across Canada: the Atlantic, Quebec, Ontario, the Prairies, Alberta, British Columbia, and the North. The findings problematize the prevailing monolithic conception of border security and show that the evolution, conception, risks, threat environment, and culture of security vary considerably across the country and are locally contingent, which necessitates a more nuanced and variegated approach to ensure the efficiency and effectiveness of policies and practices that are intended to safeguard the integrity of the Canada-US land border.
Chair: Christian Leuprecht (RMCC)

Discussants: Evan Travers (Public Safety Canada)  
Leslie Lawson (Department of Homeland Security)

Speakers: Kevin Quigley (Dalhousie University), Atlantic  
Stephane Roussel (ENAP) and David Morin (Université de Sherbrooke), Quebec  
Christian Leuprecht (RMCC) and Hayley McNorton (RMCC), Ontario  
Todd Hataley (RMCC) and Alexandra Green (Carleton University), Prairies  
Kelly Sundberg (Mount Royal University), The Contemporary Reality of Border Security for Alberta  
Laurie Trautman (Western Washington University), Nicole Bates-Eamer (University of Victoria, Student), and Ben Muller (King’s College), BC  
Heather Nicol (Trent University) and Karen Everett (Trent University, Student), Securitization Theory as a Tool for Border Management Policy Development in the Canadian North

Panel 3. Cross-Border Market Flows: Strategic Perspective

Description: This panel evaluates the strategic and structural contexts for the interaction of market flows: movements of goods, services, capital and people, with the varied structures and functions of Canada’s borders within and beyond North America. Its four papers examine key intergovernmental, transnational, and transgovernmental factors affecting the interwoven, yet segmented networks North American governance. They note the ways in which Canadian trade policies are shaped by international rules and norms, domestic institutional processes and constraints, varied regional trade corridors, and sectorally differentiated supply chains, often in sectorally-specific ways related to perceived comparative advantages, technological change and the evolution of industrial organization.

Chair: Matt Morrison (Pacific North West Economic Region)

Discussants: Meredith Lilly (Carleton University)  
Robert Carberry (Global Fellow, Wilson Center, Washington DC)

Speakers: Bill Anderson (University of Windsor), Cross-Border Supply Chains as Mechanisms for Canada-US Economic Integration: History & Prospects  
David Jones (University of Alberta), The Great Unraveling? The Construction & Deconstruction of North America’s Governance Architecture  
Chris Sands (Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies), Regulatory Cooperation: Nudging the North American Regulatory States?

12:15 – 14:00 Lunch and Keynote II: “Beyond Westphalia: The Beginning and End of Borders”

14:00 – 15:30  Session II

**Panel 4. Culture One. Indigeneity and Borders**

**Description:** Borders are different for indigenous North Americans than for those who have settled the continent and established bordering regimes based initially on European values and boundary traditions, and more recently on multi-cultural bordering practices. This panel features insights on the origins of indigenous borders, as well as identities formed among contemporary indigenous peoples in sport, and the intertwining of politics and culture in bordering Akwesasne situated on borders between the US and Canada as well as between Quebec, Ontario and New York State, and the indigenous and non-indigenous communities in the area.

**Chair:** Jean-Luc Pilon (Curator, Central Archaeology at the Canadian Museum of History)

**Discussants:** Ron Williamson (Archaeological Services Inc., Toronto)

**Speakers:**
- Amy St. John (Western University), *Pre-contact Boundaries of Indigenous Peoples in the Lower Great Lakes*
- Heidi Weigand (St. Mary’s University), *Borderlands Sport: Virtual, Theoretical and Geographical Borders and the Contested Nature of Representative Identities*
- Laetitia Rouviere Victor Konrad & (Carleton University), *Akwesasne: Between Aboriginal Sovereignty and National Security*

**Panel 5. Arctic**

**Description:** This panel explores the Arctic region, with special attention given to the role that broader economic, legal, and political forces have played in shaping regional border relationships, territorial claims to sovereignty and cross-border relationships. Particular attention is paid to the way in which Indigenous Peoples have been affected by national and international boundaries and international law.

**Chair:** Heather Nicol (Trent University)

**Discussants:** Dwayne Menezes (Polar Research and Policy Initiative, UK)

**Speakers:**
- Robin Campbell (Hutchins Legal) and Senator Charlie Watt, *Inuit and Canada’s Claim to the Northwest Passage and Continental Shelf*
- Whitney Lackenbauer (St. Jerome’s University), *Canada’s Arctic Sovereignty Narratives*
- Suzanne Lalonde (Universite de Montreal), *The Crystal Serenity and Snow Dragon transits of the Northwest Passage: Making Legal Waves?*
- Greg Boos (Cascadia Law), *The Jay Treaty and Cross-Border Mobility for Indigenous Peoples of the North American Arctic Region*
Panel 6. Canada Europe Dialogue on Migration (CEDoM)

Description: Recent irregular migration from the United States into Canada have focused Canadian public debate on migratory movements, Canada’s Safe Third Country agreement with the United States, approaches to refugees and refugee systems in both countries, and the extent to which Canada’s current approach, system, and legal framework are adequate. This comes at a time when Canada’s Prime Minister had already initiated an independent review of Canada’s Immigration and Refugee Board. This panel looks at available data to gauge patterns, trajectories, continuity, and change in irregular migration across the Canada-US border, offers perspectives by Canadian and US border practitioners, as well as a comparative European assessment of lessons from Germany’s recent experience.

Chair: Richard Fadden (former National Security Advisor)

Discussants: Oliver Schmidtke (University of Victoria)

Speakers: Kelley Humber (Queen’s University) and Christian Leuprecht (RMCC)
Brandon Behlendorf (SUNY Albany), From Hot Spots to Hot Paths: Modeling Probable Pathways for Human Smuggling and Trafficking Along the U.S.-Mexico Border
Superintendent Jamie Solesme (RCMP)
Leslie Lawson (Department of Homeland Security), Department of Homeland Security Perspectives on Migrant Flows in North America
Axel Kreienbrink (German Federal Office for Migration and Refugees), Tackling the mass influx of asylum seekers 2015/2016: Germany’s multifaceted response

15:30 – 15:45 Coffee

15:45 – 17:15 Session III

Panel 7. History One. Historical Themes

Description: This panel is organized according to three themes: flows, sovereignty and indigeneity. The focus on theory is meant to demonstrate that while there is no single border theory, nor is there likely to be such a theory, there is value in attempting to develop a set of concepts that transcend disciplinary boundaries and provide a common frame of reference that help guide researchers in their work. At the same time, it recognizes that the best historical scholarship tries to explain historical and geographical contingency, i.e., why things happened, and where and when they did happen, through a blending of theory and detailed empirical research.

Chair / Discussant: Nicole St.-Onge (University of Ottawa)

Speakers: Randy Widdis (University of Regina), Historical Perspectives and Policy-Making: Introductory Reflections
David Atkinson (Purdue University), Locating Sovereignty in the U.S.-Canadian Pacific
Panel 8. Precarious crossings: Borders, Crises, and the Unravelling of Citizenship

Description: The papers on this panel focus on how the border, as constitutive to citizenship, and as policy, practice, space, and symbolic construct, engages with, and amplifies precarity in citizenship and belonging at a global, international and intra-national level.

Chair: Helga Hallgrimsdottir (University of Victoria)

Discussants: Can Mutlu (Acadia University)

Speakers:
- Edwin Hodge (University of Victoria, Student), Anxieties and Exclusion in the British Garden of Eden: Examining Narratives of Belonging, Work, and Temporary Foreign Labour in the Okanagan Valley, British Columbia
- Carla Angulo-Pasel (Wilfrid Laurier University, Student), The Categorized and Invisible: The Effects of the Border on Women Migrant Transit Flows in Mexico
- Nicole Bates-Eamer (University of Victoria, Student), Climate-Induced Migration and Border-Induced Precarity

Panel 9. Canadian Perspectives on Borders, Bordering and In/Security in North-West Africa

Description: The West African Sahel is represented by two incompatible sets of images: one regional, dynamic, borderless, and transnational that reflects both the promise and challenges of ‘globalization’, and one that is local, static, underdeveloped, ungoverned, that is considered outside of the modern system of states. Both sets of images reflect the challenge that the West African Sahel represents for our understanding of borders, security and sovereignty. This panel examines how it is a terrain for the production of new forms of governance, power dynamics and international intervention.

Chair: RAdm Gilles Couturier (Deputy Commander, Royal Canadian Navy)

Speakers:
- Bruno Charbonneau (Laurentian University and UQAM), The End of Intervention: Peacekeeping, Counterterrorism and Regional Security Governance in the Sahel
- Aurélie Campana (Université Laval), Uneasy Alliances and Deadly Rivalries: The Jihadi Movement in the Sahara-Sahel Region between Competition and Recompositions
- Jonathan Sears (Menno Simms College, University of Winnipeg), Mali’s Frontiers of the Political Imagination: Between Terroirs and Territoires
- Thomas Cantens (World Customs Organization), Fragile Borders and Trade: What Can We Learn from Boko Haram Insurgency in Lake Chad?

17:15 – 17:30 Break

Description:  Matt Morrison will discuss how PNWER contributes ideas and initiatives, and Chris Sands will discuss his recent report for the Woodrow Wilson Center on the Canada-US relationship.


Speakers:  Chris Sands, (Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies), The Sovereignty Line
Matt Morrison (CEO, Pacific North West Economic Region)
Andrea van Vugt (VP Policy North America, Business Council of Canada), Title TBD

19:00 – 21:00   Hosted Dinner

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Friday, December 8, 2017

Venue: Lord Elgin Hotel, Pearson Room

08:00 Registrations and Coffee

08:30 Session IV


Description: Papers in this panel assess four distinct aspects of Canada’s “disaggregated” border: the evolution and fluctuations of cross-border flows of people and goods, utilizing different modes of travel across national borders since the 1990s, the interaction of these trends with major sectoral policy shifts, efforts at (and limitations of) international security coordination to facilitate cross-border movements, and specific case studies involving differences in Canadian and U.S. visa policies for skilled professionals and business people, and regulatory issues related to the aerospace industry, respectively.

Chair: Kevin O'Shea (Privy Council Office)

Discussants: Martin van der Velde (Radboud University Nijmegen)
Kathryn Friedman (SUNY Buffalo)

Speakers: Geoffrey Hale (University of Lethbridge), Market Flows, Human Flows and Canada’s Borders – A Varied, Shifting Landscape
Meredith Lilly (Carleton University), Skilled Labour Mobility in 21st Century North America: The Consequences of Divergent Visa Policies by Canada versus the United States
Elisabeth Vallet (UQAM), ITAR et l’industrie aéronautique au Québec: une frontière invisible?

Panel 11. Culture Two. Border Theory and Practice in the Cultural Borderlands

Description: This panel will consider the shifting cultural politics of the Canada-U.S. border from comparative perspectives in art and visual media. Papers address the ways in which the border’s representation throughout the 20th and 21st centuries reflects an increased emphasis on images. The image of the Canada-U.S. border has been at the centre of recent national debate on immigration but it has long provided an important counterpoint to the traditional northward gaze of Canadian culture. Papers consider the ways in which the border is produced and marked visually and how its varied significations in the 20th and 21st centuries complicate a national picture of unified territory when the Canada-U.S. border is regarded as a liminal or shifting space.

Chair: Laura Margita (Director/Curator, Gallery 101)

Speakers: Anelynda Mielke (Carleton University), Visual Border Culture: Theory and Application at the Canada-US Border
Michael Darroch (Associate Professor, Media Art History, University of Windsor) Nocturnal Border Cities: Imaging and Imagining Detroit
Panel 12. History Two. Themes and Regions

Description: This panel is designed to illustrate some of the different lenses employed by researchers that are sensitive to the variable historical geographical experiences along the Canada-U.S. border. The themes outlined in the first panel and others as well are addressed in four papers that illustrate the regional dimensions of borderlands shared by the US and Canada. Together, they show that the Canadian-American borderland is not a singular homogeneous region but rather, is a complex heterogeneous zone composed of several international regions that, while sharing functional similarities resulting from cross-border interaction, nevertheless retain distinct identities arising from local settings.

Chair / Discussant: Greg Donaghy (Head of Historical Section and Deputy Director of the Foreign Policy Research Division, Global Affairs Canada)

Speakers: Whitney Lackenbauer (St. Jerome’s University) / Heather Nicol (Trent University), History of Security in the Arctic Borderlands
Michel Hogue (Carleton University), Indigenous Peoples and Border-Making in Nineteenth Century North America: Comparative Case Studies
Ari Finnsson (University of Victoria, Student), A Comparative Study of the Oregon and Alaska Border Disputes and the Development of a Canadian Identity in British Columbia
Randy Widdis (University of Regina), Atlantica as a De Facto Historical Concept: A Critical Appraisal

10:00 – 11:00 Coffee and Plenary Keynote: Brice de Schietere (Deputy Head, EU Delegation to Canada) – European Border Management in Action

11:00 – 12:30 Session V


Description: Borders in Globalization’s international research partners are writing for their own country a “State of Border Policies” which we intend to publish as a set of comparative studies reviewing and describing border policies in 8 to 10 countries, outside Canada. This roundtable will present the first drafts of those “State of Border Policies” for Canada, China, Colombia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Japan and the Netherlands. More specifically, the participants in this roundtable will illustrate and discuss various examples of a-territorial bordering in each country.

Chair / Discussant: Kevin O’Shea (Privy Council Office)

Speakers: Zhiding Hu (Yunnan Normal University), BIG Country Report on China
Martin Klatt (University of Southern Denmark), Denmark’s Borders in Globalization: virtual de-
**Panel 14. Sustainability Two. Water**

**Description:** Water flows across numerous jurisdictional boundaries, national and provincial. Canada and the US have a long history of cooperation in managing water resources. Now as climate change increases the necessity of managing water carefully, it is appropriate to look back at lessons learned across various borders, with a view to thinking about how to effectively cope with the likely impacts of shortages and floods in coming decades.

**Chair:** Martin Roy (Global Affairs Canada)

**Discussants:** Kathryn Friedman (SUNY Buffalo)

**Speakers:**
- Jesse Baltutis (University of Victoria, Student), *Local Actors, the Columbia River and Governance Innovations*
- Daniel Macfarlane (University of Western Michigan), *The IJC, Sustainability & Great Lakes Water*
- John Hartig (University of Waterloo), *How Detroit, Michigan and Windsor, Ontario are Helping Address the Sustainability Paradigm Shift through Creation of an International Wildlife Refuge*

**Panel 15. Culture Three. Cultural Movements across Boundaries**

**Description:** Culture moves across boundaries in many ways including with migrants, through dispersals by media, by many forms of diffusion, as mandated by regulations, and simply by verbal communication. In this panel, two students and a postdoctoral fellow supported by BIG present their current research on cultural movements across boundaries. Finally, an Ottawa film-maker known for her work on migrant experiences, provides a commentary on the presentations and shows a brief glimpse of her work.

**Chair:** Dr. Tuulikki Kurki (Deputy Director, Karelian Institute, UEF)

**Discussants:** John Willis (National Museum of History, Canada)

**Speakers:** Andréanne Bissonnette (UQAM, Student), *Frontière Québec-États-Unis. La langue, facilitateur ou obstacle au franchissement?*
12:30 – 14:00  Lunch and Roundtable Panel IV: Europe and North American Cross-Border Regions Comparison

Description: Cross Border Regions (CBR), where institutionalized relations straddle international and state/provincial borders, exist both in Europe and North America: In the European Union, there are ‘Euregios’ or ‘border regions’ that group government like entities, whereas in North America there are examples such as the Pacific Northwest Economic Region (PNWER) that brings together public, private and non-profit organizations. Yet, today there is increasing evidence that borders are mobile; Amilhat Szary’s book Mobile Borders makes the case very convincingly, for instance. This panel asks what are mobile borders? And will discuss the history and the origin, and purpose of border regions, but also address the fundamental issue of their future in a mobile border world. From Europe, Martin Guillermo Ramirez and Jean Peyrony will discuss the European Union and other CBR experiences, and, for North America, Matt Morrison will discuss the specifics of PNWER’s outstanding achievements.

Chair: Kevin O’Shea (Privy Council Office)
Discussant: Emmanuel Brunet-Jailly
Speakers: Anne-Laure Amilhat-Szary (Grenoble-Alpes University), Mobile Borders? What Are They? Jean Peyrony (Directeur Général Mission Opérationnelle Transfrontalière), Cross-border Territories, Europe’s Laboratory Martin Guillermo Ramirez (Secretary General of the Association of European Border Regions), Cross Border Region in Europe and around the World Matt Morrison (PNWER), The Pacific NorthWest Economic Region

14:00 – 15:30  Session VI


Description: This is a new research program, started in April 2017; our assumption is that borders and migration policies are changing fundamentally because States are developing a-territorial bordering policies / bordering movements at-source thousands of miles away from their national-boundary-line. In view of the current European migration situation, and in particular changes inside and at the periphery of the EU, we assume that the European Union border and migration policies bear considerable influence around the (policy) world. Comparing the European Union situation with both Japan and Canada’s, our work reviews comparatively and systematically the state of the border and migration policies in each region; reviewing each time facets of the border and migration policies affecting these regions.

Chair: Emmanuel Brunet-Jailly (University of Victoria)
Discussants: Andrew Griffith (Former Director General, Immigration Department)
Axel Kreienbrink (German Federal Office for Migration and Refugees)

Speakers: Oliver Schmidtke (University of Victoria)
Ted Boyle (Kyushu University)
Birte Wassenburg (Strasbourg University, remote participation)
Can Mutlu (Acadia University)
Ben Muller (King’s College), *Thanks for the memories: the global visa regime in the 21st century*

**Panel 17. BREXIT**

Description: The UK’s exit from the EU will have acute consequences for practical and symbolic significance of the 500km land border on the island of Ireland. The effects of this new EU/non-EU division will be evident in the management of trade and movement, as well as security and socio-political developments. This is a fascinating case of the redesign of a border that is at the heart of a fragile peace process.

Chair / Discussant: Marc Lortie (former Canadian Ambassador to France, Spain, and Chile)

Speakers: Katy Hayward (Queens Belfast), *Brexit and the Northern Irish Borderlands: Fragile Progress Moving Towards Disintegration*
Ruth Taillon (Centre for Cross Border Studies), *Cross-border health and social care on the Island of Ireland: the challenges of Brexit*
Matthew O’Neil (Queens Belfast, Student), *Brexit and the Digital Single Market: A Digital Perspective on Bordering, Ordering and Disintegration*

**Panel 18. Preclearance – the New Borders of the 21st Century**

Description: In March 2015, the Canadian and US governments signed the Agreement on Land, Rail, Marine, and Air Transport Preclearance. As a key component of the Beyond the Border Action Plan, this reciprocal Agreement commits both countries to expanding preclearance operations to designated land, rail and marine border crossings. While the primary reason for this is security, preclearance presents an opportunity to create efficiencies in the cross-border flow of goods, and to streamline journeys for international travelers. This panel will explore the social, political, and economic impacts of expanded preclearance in Canada and the US, and how such a policy influences our understanding of the Canada-US border in the 21st century.

Chair: Laurie Trautman (Border Policy Research Institute, WWU)

Discussants: Kevin O’Shea (Privy Council Office, retired)

Speakers: Laurie Trautman (Border Policy Research Institute, WWU), *Preclearance in the Land, Marine, and Rail Modes: Lessons and Opportunities*
Todd Hataley (RMCC), *Moving Security from Borders to Points of Vulnerability: The Case of the North American Trucking Industry*
Leslie Lawson (Department of Homeland Security), *CBP’s Preclearance: Its Importance to Security and Facilitation Beyond the Physical Boundaries of the United States*
Giovanni Matrisciano (Public Safety Canada), *The Land, Rail, Marine and Air Transport*
Preclearance Agreement and Canada's Bill C-23, the Preclearance Act
Alex Norfolk (University of Victoria, Student), Facilitating an Efficient Multi-modal Preclearance Zone in Southern Vancouver Island

15:30 – 15:45  Coffee

15:45 – 17:15  Session VII

Panel 19. The Governance of International Migration in Scalar Perspective

Description: This panel focuses on how policies at different (but interrelated) levels of geographical scale have shaped the flow of people across international borders. It aims to provide new insights into how migration is impacted by bordering processes and vice versa, thereby contributing to emerging debates on the scale of governance and migration. The presenters include three students supported by the BIG project, as well as Jean-Nicholas Beuze, a representative of the UNHCR in Canada.

Chair: Jessie Thomson (Care Canada)

Discussants: Aviva Basma (UNHCR)
Carl Desmarais (Canada Border Services Agency)

Speakers: Leslie Muñoz (Carleton University, Student), Air Deportation and Immigration Enforcement in the GTA
Sarah Zell (University of Winnipeg), Labour Migration, Recruitment, and the Externalization of Borderwork in the Canadian Prairies
Renata Grudzien (Queen’s University, Student), #WelcomeRefugees: A Canadian phenomenon that illustrates the temporal dimension of border constructs
Mathilde Bourgeon and Thalia D’Aragon-Giguère (Université du Québec à Montréal, Students), Les flux migratoires à la frontière québéco-américaine

Panel 20. Trump Administration and NAFTA – Roundtable

Description: TBD

Chair: Stéphane Roussel (ENAP)

Speakers: Stéphane Paquin (ENAP)
Erick Duchesne (Laval U)
Dan Ujczo (Dickinson Wright Law Firm)

17:15 – 18:00  Closing

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