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ROUND TABLE

Renewing federal-provincial cooperation in Canada: What can be learned from the EU open method of coordination?

Friday, February 11th 2005

McGill Faculty club (3450 McTavish St.)

(Main Dinning room)

OBJECTIVES

Analysis and exposition of the open method of coordination (OMC)

- What might OMC mean for Canada in the context of the Council of the Federation's efforts to improve inter-provincial and inter-territorial cooperation?
- What could the Council of the Federation learn from the EU experience?

PROGRAMME

I. INTRODUCTION (9h30-10h45)

A. Presentation of working of the Open Method of Coordination. Discussion of the earlier method, the new method, and how it is being used

- Theodore Georgopoulos, Université de Reims (Champagne-Ardenne).
- B. Presentation of the working of the Council of the Federation
 - Jean Leclair, Université de Montréal.

II. DEBATE (11h00-12h30)

Co-operation methods: How one might work for another.

Round table

- Patrick Gazaille, Federal Provincial Relations Bureau, Government of Canada.
- *Tim Lewis*, Democratic Renewal Secretariat, Department of Justice, Government of Ontario.
- Burkard Eberlein, York University.
- Alessandro Cortese, Embassy of Italy in Canada.
- *Gilles Huberson*, Embassy of France in Canada.
- Peter Leslie, Queen's University.
- Marianne Bonnard and Simon Carmichael, Ministère du Conseil Exécutif of Quebec

III. CONCLUSIONS (12h30-13h00)

- *Richard Simeon*, University of Toronto.
- Fabien Gélinas, Université McGill.

IV. BUFFET (13h00-14h30)

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