The Honourable Stéphane Dion will be giving an in-depth analysis of climate change policies, and strategies to fight this important international issue.

Stéphane Dion was Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs between 1996 and 2003, and Minister of the Environment from 2004 to 2005. In 2006, he was elected as Leader of the Liberal Party of Canada and became Leader of the Official Opposition in the House of Commons. Following the 2008 election, he retained his seat as Member of Parliament for Saint-Laurent-Cartierville, a seat he has won seven times in a row since 1996. At present, he chairs the Liberal Caucus Legislative Committee and acts as Liberal Critic for Intergovernmental Affairs, the Queen’s Privy Council of Canada, Democratic Reform and La Francophonie.

As the Minister of the Environment, Mr. Dion contributed to the rescue of the Kyoto Protocol while chairing the UN Conference on Climate Change, held in Montreal in 2005.

Before entering politics, Mr. Dion taught Political Science, first at Université de Moncton in 1984, then at Université de Montréal from 1984 to 1995. He has authored many publications.

Mr. Dion was the recipient of the 2011 Couchiching Award for Public Policy Leadership and sits on the External Advisory Board of the Yale Climate and Energy Institute.

11:45 AM - 1:00 PM Lunch for graduate students with Stéphane Dion, Geological Sciences Lounge - 343 Wallace