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ANNUAL REPORT 2013



From the President's desk

Complex problems. Ever-shifting political, social and economic landscapes. Multi-faceted national and international issues that challenge the health of the planet, our collective welfare, and the ability of people around the world to live peaceful, meaningful and productive lives.

This describes the world we live in today; these are the kinds of challenges we need to make sense of. At the Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences, we believe that Canada's future success lies in cross-disciplinary, creative approaches to the issues that confront us as a nation, such as energy policy, an aging population, and the imperative to ensure a shared and just future with Aboriginal peoples. Now, more than ever, we need to bring together content, context and technology to forge dynamic new pathways of knowledge.

For every new issue or crisis that can benefit from a scientific or technical solution, there is an equally important role for analysis, contextual understanding and sound policymaking. There is an ever-present existential need for creative, agile minds that can think critically, forge innovative ideas, and respond capably and intelligently to the issues facing us.

With these goals in mind, the Federation promotes scholarship in the arts, humanities and social sciences. As President of the Federation, I have endeavoured to relay in the public sphere the value of a liberal arts education and the importance of research and learning in the humanities and social sciences to Canada's future. Our 2013 Congress at the University of Victoria was a major highlight this year, bringing together some 7,600 academics, researchers, policy-makers and practitioners over eight days to develop fresh perspectives on a wide range of questions.

In keeping with our 2011–2015 Strategic Plan, this year we continued to broaden our **reach**, increase our **relevance** and invest in key **relationships**.

REACH

Ideas can... engage. We ramped up our communications this year by publishing op-eds, a monthly newsletter, a bi-weekly blog and daily tweets — initiatives that markedly improved our online and social media presence. As well, Congress succeeded in attracting considerable media attention in Canada, but also internationally.

RELEVANCE

Ideas can... influence. This was another stellar year for our *Big Thinking* lecture series, which takes place on Parliament Hill, on the road and at Congress, and always draws an inspiring array of speakers. We have also been busy in the halls of government, discussing the value of the arts, the humanities and social sciences to Canada with elected officials, political staff and senior officials.

RELATIONSHIPS

Ideas can... bring us together. Our 80+ member associations, 79 member institutions and six affiliates **are** the Federation. As a not-for-profit, we depend on our partnerships when hosting events and contributing to the policy development process. We are grateful for the ongoing support from the Social Science and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), and this year we attracted several new partners in the public, private and not-for-profit sectors.

Looking ahead to 2014, the Federation's mission to advance knowledge-sharing and relationship-building across the arts, the humanities and social sciences remains critical in building a more humane world.

Antonia Maioni

President, Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences

MULTI-MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS

Facebook followers up by **67.3%**

Twitter followers up by **43.7%**

Op-eds in *The Globe and Mail* and *The Hill Times*

95,000 visits to Federation websites in four months around Congress 2013

Launch of new Congress hashtag:
#congreSSH

Board members 2013



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BIG THINKING... ON THE HILL

Each year, the Federation organizes six *Big Thinking* breakfasts on Parliament Hill, featuring leading Canadian researchers offering timely findings and breakthrough perspectives on a range of public policy-related research topics. With dozens of Members of Parliament, senators, public servants and decision-makers in attendance, *Big Thinking* on the Hill fosters dialogue on pressing policy issues, connecting the social sciences and humanities directly to policy development.

Searching for answers: Addressing bullying and children's health

Wendy Craig

Queen's University and PREVNet (Promoting Relationships and Eliminating Violence Network)

February 14, 2013

When psychotherapy meets virtual reality

Stéphane Bouchard

Université du Québec en Outaouais

March 21, 2013

Jobs first: Rethinking development around the globe

Gordon Betcherman

University of Ottawa

April 25, 2013

Whither innovation?

Moving beyond the buzzword

Richard Hawkins

University of Calgary

October 3, 2013

After Snowden: What now for an open and free Internet?

Ron Deibert

Munk School of Global Affairs' Citizen Lab, University of Toronto

November 21, 2013

Cohabitation: An alternative or substitute for marriage?

Céline Le Bourdais

McGill University

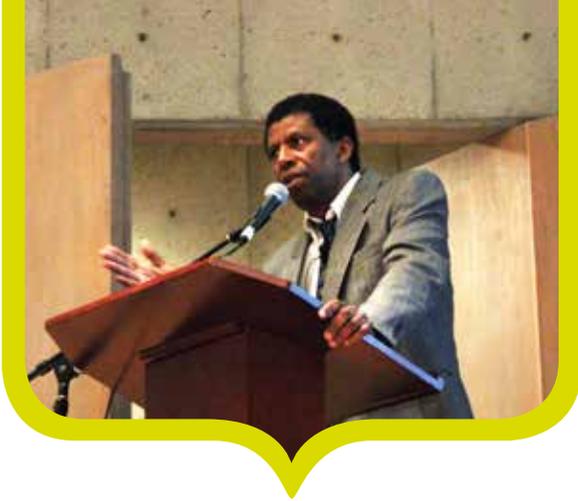
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Big Thinking on the Hill is made possible through the support of the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC). This year, individual breakfasts were sponsored by Google Canada, the Canadian Psychological Association, the Canadian Research Data Centre Network and the Institute for Science Society and Policy.

BIG THINKING... ON THE ROAD

This series is also about expanding dialogues and strengthening relationships, new and old. *Big Thinking* on the Road expands research conversations across the country, reaching a spectrum of politicians, researchers, the public and beyond. This year, the Federation was pleased that Kevin Kee of Brock University gave a *Big Thinking* lecture entitled *Borders without Boundaries* at the Royal Society of Canada Annual General Meeting in Banff, Alberta.





Transform

Inspire

Challenge

BIG THINKING... AT CONGRESS

With thousands of scholars congregating at the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences, *Big Thinking* is a focal point for interdisciplinary programming. The *Big Thinking* series profiles leading scholars and public figures who present forward-looking research, thought-provoking ideas and solutions to the critical issues of our time.

Over the edge: Deadly conflict in an interconnected world

Louise Arbour

President of the International Crisis Group and former UN High Commissioner for Human Rights

I write as I live

Dany Laferrière

Haitian-Canadian novelist, journalist and most recent member of the Académie française

Getting it right from the start

Margaret McCain

Chair of the Margaret & Wallace McCain Family Foundation and former Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick

On the edge of always

Joy Kogawa

Writer, poet and member of the Order of Canada

Big Thinking series sponsors for Congress 2013 were the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada and the Canada Foundation for Innovation. Individual speakers were sponsored by the Centre for Global Studies, Mitacs, the Trudeau Foundation and the Royal Society of Canada.

Daniel Weinstock: On context

"If we just think about the problems of the day without placing them in a broader, deeper context, we might just end up repeating errors of the past."

Listening to the marginalized to address inequality

Mary Ellen Turpel-Lafond

British Columbia's Representative for Children and Youth

The myth of the Muslim tide

Doug Saunders

Canadian journalist, author and columnist for the Globe and Mail

So, are you still a philosopher?

Daniel Weinstock

Professor at McGill University and Fellow at the Trudeau Foundation

The first five kilobytes are the hardest

George Dyson

Author and historian of technology



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CONGRESS 2013

At the annual Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences, about 70 scholarly associations converge to each hold their annual conference under one umbrella. Beyond its role as Canada's largest interdisciplinary gathering of scholars (and one of the largest in the world), Congress brings together academics, researchers, policy-makers, and practitioners to share findings, refine ideas, and build partnerships that will help shape our future.

More than 7,600 delegates gathered over eight days at Congress 2013, held at the University of Victoria, B.C. This year's theme was "@ the edge." With innovative ideas and new perspectives, "@ the edge" provided exciting opportunities for unique conversations, thoughtful dialogue and new initiatives.

CONGRESS 2013 BY THE NUMBERS

87% of survey respondents rated Congress 2013 as "**good**" or "**excellent**"

7,600+ attendees

68 associations

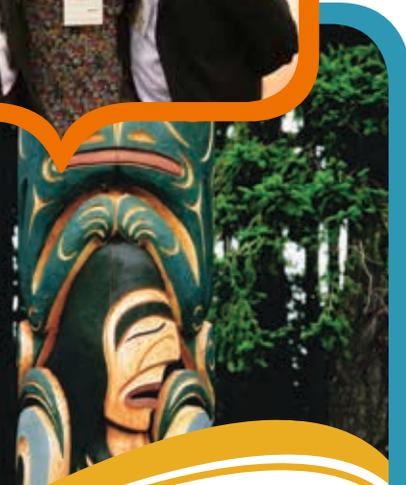
200+ local volunteers

60 exhibitors at Expo

9,500 tweets

164 media stories

\$9-12 million economic impact estimated to Greater Victoria



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50
YEARS

As a central part of the University of Victoria's 50th anniversary celebrations, Congress engaged researchers from around the globe as well as the local public in cultural events, from poetry readings to an international fair to a concert by singer-songwriter, artist and activist Buffy Sainte-Marie. Congress 2013 programming featured:

- Eight *Big Thinking* speakers (see page 5)
- A dynamic *Career Corner* series aimed at equipping the next generation of scholars for life both in and beyond academia
- The Storytellers Competition, hosted by SSHRC, which saw university students creatively communicating their research projects
- An afternoon with the Governor General, His Excellency the Right Honourable David Johnston, who met with co-op students, community-campus collaborators and First Nations attendees
- Special programming on equity issues and open access
- A dynamic Congress Expo with 60 exhibitors, including publishers and research groups
- Thousands of research presentations in more than 70 disciplines



Media coverage at Congress was exceptional this year, with research stories twice making the front page of the *National Post*. *The Globe and Mail*, *Vancouver Sun*, *Victoria Times-Colonist*, *Huffington Post*, CBC Radio and dozens of other news outlets covered aspects of Congress 2013, from the innovative research to the thought-provoking *Big Thinking* speakers to the cultural programming and even the logistical challenges of hosting such an enormous event.



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recognize excellence

AWARDS TO SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS PROGRAM

The Awards to Scholarly Publications Program (ASPP) is the Federation's competitive funding program to support the publication of the best scholarly books on topics in the humanities and social sciences.

Through the ASPP, the Federation encourages excellence in humanities and social science scholarship by offering 180 Publication Grants of \$8,000 and five Translation Grants of \$12,000 each year, contributing a total of \$1.5 million annually to the dissemination of Canadian research. Funding for the ASPP is provided by SSHRC.



Photo by: Lisa Hartley

Sandra Djwa: On the ASPP

"The ASPP helps to fund the publication of books that make a valuable contribution to our understanding of Canadian life and culture. Its role in supporting Canadian scholarly publishing helps us to better understand our national heritage. These books provide essential literary texts and background information to Canada's twentieth century."

Many ASPP-funded books go on to win awards within their disciplines. This year, the Federation was especially proud to see two ASPP-funded books recognized by the Governor General's Literary Awards:

- ***Journey with No Maps: A Life of P.K. Page*** by **Sandra Djwa** (McGill-Queen's University Press) won in English Non-Fiction category.
- ***L'Alberta autophage : Identités, mythes et discours du pétrole dans l'Ouest canadien*** by **Dominique Perron** (University of Calgary Press) was a finalist in the French Non-fiction category.

ASPP BY THE NUMBERS*

Books funded: **179**

Applications received: **283**

Applications approved for funding: **184**

Publications Committee members: **165**

*October 2012 to
December 2013



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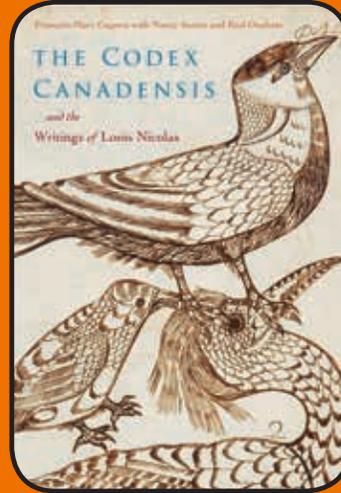
The Federation awards the Canada Prizes annually to the best scholarly books in the humanities and social sciences that have received funding from the ASPP. Every year, four prizes of \$2,500 are awarded.

This was a year of transformation for the Canada Prizes. Highlights include:

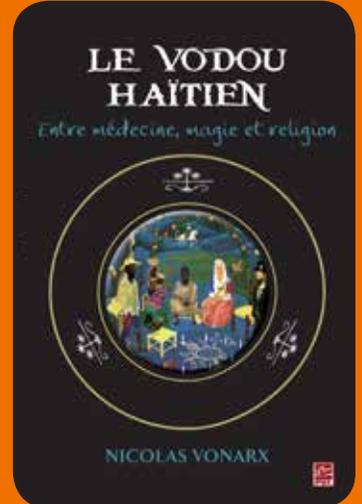
- A redefined mission: to recognize books that make an exceptional contribution to scholarship, are engagingly written, and enrich the social, cultural and intellectual life of Canada
- A new logo that draws upon several images—including a bookmark, an award ribbon and a podium—that speak to the Prizes' mission, which is to highlight the importance of scholarship to Canadian society and to provoke and inform national conversations on important topics
- A high-profile jury, including past winners, noted scholars and public intellectuals such as Denise Bombardier, Natalie Zemon Davis, Charlotte Gray, Mark Kingwell and Daniel Weinstock

More than 75 people attended the March 2013 awards ceremony in Ottawa, with John Ralston Saul presenting. See the videos at:

www.youtube.com/IdeasIdees.



Michel Nareau
Double jeu
Baseball et littératures
américaines



WINNERS

CANADA PRIZE IN THE HUMANITIES

François-Marc Gagnon, Réal Ouellet, and Nancy Senior, *The Codex Canadensis and the Writings of Louis Nicolas*, McGill-Queen's University Press

CANADA PRIZE IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES

Reg Whitaker, Gregory S. Kealey, and Andrew Parnaby, *Secret Service*, University of Toronto Press

PRIX DU CANADA EN SCIENCES HUMAINES

Michel Nareau, *Double jeu*, Le Quartanier

PRIX DU CANADA EN SCIENCES SOCIALES

Nicolas Vonarx, *Le Vodou haïtien*, Presses de l'Université Laval

The Federation is active in policy outreach and advocacy. We work on behalf of our members to promote the value of research and learning in the humanities and social sciences.

FEDERAL BUDGET

In advocating for the humanities and social sciences during the federal budget process, this year we:

- Presented recommendations on Budget 2013 to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Finance;
- Prepared a written submission to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Finance's pre-budget consultation for Budget 2014; and
- Met with ministers, Members of Parliament from all parties and senior officials to advocate for prioritising funding for the humanities and social sciences in Budget 2014.

POLICY

The Federation constantly strives to ensure that the humanities and social sciences have a strong voice in discussions about Canadian research. For example, in 2013 we:

- Promoted the recognition of the value of the humanities and social sciences in the update of the federal Science and Technology strategy, expected in 2014;
- Recommended that the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) strike a committee of leading social sciences and humanities scholars to provide direction for CIHR's proposed granting structure changes, which was subsequently implemented;
- Submitted recommendations on digital scholarship and open access in response to two consultations from granting agencies; and
- Successfully placed articles, op-eds and letters in mainstream and specialised media.

OUTREACH

Federation board members and staff are active in policy discussions and events. As such, this year we:

- Orchestrated 16 meetings with ministers, ministerial staff, Members of Parliament and senators
- Held speaking roles at events across Canada, such as:
 - Power of the Arts National Forum, hosted by the Michaëlle Jean Foundation and Carleton University
 - Canadian Council of Deans of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Annual General Meeting, at Carleton University
 - University of Winnipeg's 100th Convocation
 - Royal Society of Canada's Annual General Meeting
 - World Social Sciences Forum, hosted by the International Social Science Council
- Participated in many other events, including the Trudeau Foundation Conference, SSHRC Leaders, Killam Prize Symposium, the Canada Foundation for Innovation's Annual Public Meeting, and the Digital Infrastructure Summit.



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build stability

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The Federation continued to focus on effective program delivery in 2013, ending the year in a strong financial position, with a modest surplus, healthy reserves and a balanced budget for 2014.

With an aim to enhance the Federation's program and event delivery, a decision was made to modify the financial year-end from September 30 to December 31. This change allows the Federation to be more responsive to opportunities and challenges that present themselves throughout the year.



SUMMARY OF 2012-2013 FINANCIAL REPORT

	2013
Revenue:	
Congress & Outreach	1,208,582
Memberships	
<i>Universities</i>	515,476
<i>Societies</i>	140,447
<i>Affiliates</i>	2,400
	<hr/> 1,866,905
Grants from SSHRC	
<i>Connections</i>	562,500
<i>ASPP</i>	1,820,265
	<hr/> 2,382,765
Investment Income	195,971
Total revenue	<hr/> 4,445,641
Expenses:	
Salaries & benefits	1,663,111
Administrative	549,528
Liaison & Congress	584,650
Meetings & activities	65,495
Amortization	43,881
ASPP books paid	1,440,000
	<hr/> 4,346,665
Total Expenses	<hr/> 4,346,665
Excess (deficiency)	<hr/> 98,976

The financial information presented in this annual report is therefore based on 15 months of operation, covering the period from October 1, 2012 to December 31, 2013. Due to this change in the reporting period, there is no comparison data provided from the previous year.

Congress 2013 at the University of Victoria was a great success; this, combined with growth in event sponsorships, resulted in 2013 revenues being slightly higher than anticipated. Our revenue stream from SSHRC has remained stable and membership was unchanged from 2012.

The Federation's investment income grew this year, due to growth in financial markets. Investment holdings are of the highest quality, to mitigate the Federation's market risk.

Cost control efforts over the past few years have allowed the Federation to reset baseline spending, resulting in below-budget expenditure results. The Federation is in a strong financial position to continue to support the reach, relevance and relationship goals it strives to achieve.

build a community

The Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences comprises member associations, institutions and affiliates and offers them access to a wide range of services, including: management of registration and financial accounts; free space for meetings, workshops and special gatherings at Federation events; directors' and officers' liability insurance programs developed specifically for members; and consultation on administrative matters, such as charitable status and best practices in not-for-profit management.

Scholarly Associations

- Association canadienne d'études francophones du XIX^e siècle
- Association des professeur.e.s de français des universités et collèges canadiens
- Association for Canadian and Québec Literatures
- Association for Canadian Jewish Studies
- Association for Nonprofit and Social Economy Research
- Association for the Advancement of Scandinavian Studies in Canada
- Association of Canadian College and University Teachers of English
- Bibliographical Society of Canada
- Canadian Anthropology Society
- Canadian Applied Literature Association
- Canadian Asian Studies Association
- Canadian Association for Commonwealth Literature and Language Studies
- Canadian Association for Food Studies
- Canadian Association for Information Science
- Canadian Association for Irish Studies
- Canadian Association for Leisure Studies
- Canadian Association for Social Work Education
- Canadian Association for Studies in Co-operation
- Canadian Association for the Study of Adult Education
- Canadian Association for the Study of Book Culture
- Canadian Association for the Study of Discourse and Writing
- Canadian Association for the Study of International Development
- Canadian Association for the Theatre Research
- Canadian Association for Translation Studies
- Canadian Association of Applied Linguistics
- Canadian Association of Geographers
- Canadian Association of Hispanists
- Canadian Association of Learned Journals
- Canadian Association of Music Libraries, Archives and Documentation Centres
- Canadian Association of Slavists
- Canadian Association of University Teachers of German
- Canadian Catholic Historical Association
- Canadian Communication Association
- Canadian Comparative Literature Association
- Canadian Disability Studies Association
- Canadian Economics Association
- Canadian Evangelical Theological Association
- Canadian Game Studies Association
- Canadian Historical Association
- Canadian Industrial Relations Association
- Canadian Jacques Maritain Association
- Canadian Law and Society Association
- Canadian Linguistic Association
- Canadian Philosophical Association
- Canadian Political Science Association
- Canadian Population Society
- Canadian Psychological Association
- Canadian Regional Science Association
- Canadian Society for Aesthetics
- Canadian Society for Digital Humanities

- Canadian Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies
- Canadian Society for Italian Studies
- Canadian Society for Renaissance Studies
- Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Mathematics
- Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science
- Canadian Society for the History of Medicine
- Canadian Society for the Study of Education
- Canadian Society for the Study of Higher Education
- Canadian Society for the Study of Names
- Canadian Society for the Study of Practical Ethics
- Canadian Society for the Study of Religion
- Canadian Society for the Study of Rhetoric
- Canadian Society of Biblical Studies
- Canadian Society of Church History
- Canadian Society of Medievalists
- Canadian Society of Patristic Studies
- Canadian Sociological Association
- Canadian Theological Society
- Canadian University Music Society
- Classical Association of Canada
- Environmental Studies Association of Canada
- Film Studies Association of Canada
- Finno-Ugric Studies Association of Canada
- Folklore Studies Association of Canada
- Hungarian Studies Association of Canada
- Quebec Society for the Study of Religion
- Society for Existential and Phenomenological Theory and Culture
- Society for Socialist Studies
- Universities Art Association of Canada
- Women's and Gender Studies et Recherches Féministes

Institutions

- Acadia University
- Athabasca University
- Bishop's University
- Brandon University
- Brock University
- Cape Breton University
- Carleton University
- Concordia University
- Concordia University College of Alberta
- Dalhousie University
- Dominican University College
- École nationale d'administration publique
- First Nations University of Canada
- Institut national de la recherche scientifique
- King's University College at Western University
- Kwantlen Polytechnic University
- Lakehead University
- MacEwan University
- McGill University
- McMaster University
- Memorial University of Newfoundland
- Mount Allison University
- Mount Royal University
- Mount Saint Vincent University
- Nipissing University

- NSCAD University
- OCAD University
- Queen's University
- Redeemer University College
- Royal Military College of Canada
- Royal Roads University
- Ryerson University
- Saint Mary's University
- Saint Paul University
- Simon Fraser University
- St. Francis Xavier University
- St. Thomas More College
- St. Thomas University
- Thomas More Institute
- Thompson Rivers University
- Trent University
- Université de Moncton
- Université de Montréal
- Université de Saint-Boniface
- Université de Sherbrooke
- Université du Québec à Chicoutimi
- Université du Québec à Montréal
- Université du Québec à Rimouski
- Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières
- Université du Québec en Abitibi-Témiscamingue
- Université du Québec en Outaouais
- Université Laval
- Université Sainte-Anne
- University of Alberta
- University of British Columbia
- University of Calgary
- University of Guelph
- University of King's College
- University of Lethbridge
- University of Manitoba
- University of New Brunswick
- University of Northern British Columbia
- University of Ontario Institute of Technology
- University of Ottawa
- University of Prince Edward Island
- University of Regina
- University of Saskatchewan
- University of St. Michael's College
- University of the Fraser Valley
- University of Toronto
- University of Victoria
- University of Waterloo
- University of Windsor
- University of Winnipeg
- Vancouver Island University
- Victoria University
- Western University
- Wilfrid Laurier University
- York University

Affiliates

- American Council of Learned Societies
- Association of Canadian Deans of Education
- Canadian Association of Research Libraries
- Canadian Institute for Military & Veteran Health Research
- Canadian Research Knowledge Network
- Frontier College