



Evidence-based Policy Development

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There has been concern that public policy decisions are not based on evidence as much as one would like. This presentation will argue that there are many benefits of evidence-based policy development, supporting this hypothesis with an example. It will show that the use of evidence, in many cases, can avoid difficult tradeoffs. It will also offer a paradigm that focuses on two drivers of policy development: leadership and evidence, and uses this to provide a categorization of many Canadian policies into four groups. This paradigm is used to provide guidance for public servants/analysts and leaders responsible for policy formulation.

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Please note: This lecture will take place in Regina and will be video-conferenced to a Saskatoon audience.

Regina Location: Room 210, 2 Research Drive, University of Regina Campus

Saskatoon Location: Prairie Room, Diefenbaker Building, 101 Diefenbaker Place, University of Saskatchewan Campus

Registration: Those interested in attending are encouraged to register online at www.schoolofpublicpolicy.sk.ca (please select News and Events, then Events Calendar and the appropriate calendar date) or by clicking the link above.

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