



## **CORRUPTION**

This series will explore various aspects of corruption and illegal activity in Canada, and present some possible solutions and strategies to avoid its harmful effects.

**OCT 28, 2021**

### **AN INTRODUCTION TO FRAUD AND CORRUPTION: AN INVESTIGATOR'S PERSPECTIVE**

**Peter Armstrong**

This lecture takes a look at white collar crime in Canada and overseas. It will cover basic fraud concepts. We will look at the indicators, statistics and discuss the impact of the digital age. What are the common fraud schemes and examples? What happens during an investigation in the courtroom? We will discuss global fraud and corruption: money-laundering, bribery, terrorist financing and tax evasion along with the challenges faced in combating and responding to global crime.

We will end on a more positive note by explaining what is being done to combat these problems.

**NOV 04, 2021**

### **TAX EVASION: THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE UGLY**

**Jonathan Farrar**

We will discuss the scope of tax evasion in Canada with examples showing common and not-so-common ways enterprising taxpayers have engaged in tax fraud. We will also discuss what the Canada Revenue Agency is doing to thwart tax evasion and what improvements they could make to their audit and enforcement regime, as well as what could be done to simplify the tax reporting system. Finally, I will share some of my research findings about tax evasion punishment in Canada and how observers respond to knowledge of others' punishments (or lack thereof).

**NOV 11, 2021**

### **THE IMPACT OF CORPORATE LOBBYING ON DEMOCRACY IN CANADA**

**Martin Lukacs**

The obstruction of climate action, booming inequality, deteriorating public services, and justice delayed for Indigenous peoples – a common thread between all of these is the power and influence of Canada's corporate lobby. Martin will take us into the world of corporate lobbying and the long shadow it casts in Ottawa.

**NOV 18, 2021**

### **BIG FOREIGN OIL POSES AS CANADIAN AND CAPTURES CANADIAN ENERGY AND CLIMATE POLICY**

**Gordon Laxer**

We've heard about Russian intrusions in elections undermining the sovereignty of voters to make choices unimpeded by misleading foreign messaging. Big Foreign Oil corporations also regularly intrude in other countries' elections to hinder effective climate action in order to maintain their exorbitant profit from domestic public resources. The Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP), calls itself Canadian but 95% of its board of governors come from majority foreign-owned petroleum corporations. Despite Canada's election laws forbidding foreign third parties from participating in Canadian elections, CAPP and its oil corporation members run ads, donate to political parties and subsidize grass roots groups like Energy Citizens to pose as Canadian on social media. The details reveal a story Canadians need to hear.

**NOV 25, 2021**

### **LOCAL SEX TRAFFICKING: HOW DOES IT HAPPEN?**

**Kaitlin Bick and Karly Church**

For the past 2 and a half years Kaitlin Bick has worked frontline with survivors of human trafficking and precariously housed individuals, ensuring that all their basic needs are being met. She uses her enthusiasm, positivity and resilience to deliver a message of hope to other survivors. Kaitlin facilitates workshops and training to service providers and is dedicated to bringing awareness to domestic human trafficking.

Karly Church has worked front line with youth involved in sex work and trafficking situations for more than 4 years. As a survivor of domestic human trafficking, she harnesses her lived experience, extensive knowledge, along with her passion to engage and work with survivors of human trafficking, Karly works with individuals in meeting their basic needs while providing support with a trauma informed perspective. Working tirelessly to remove stigma through sharing her story in many settings, including keynote speeches throughout Canada, Karly has trained and presented to thousands of social service providers through facilitating workshops and trainings. Having done numerous youth symposiums, presentations, consultations, interviews and panels on human trafficking, Karly is dedicated to providing preventative education as well as bringing awareness to the broader community.

**DEC 02, 2021**

### **HUMAN AND DRUG TRAFFICKING: LOCAL POLICING AND RESPONSES**

**Glenn Tremblay & Jason Cranny**

Human trafficking is a problem and it's happening in rural Ontario. Human trafficking, by definition, is the recruiting, harbouring and/or controlling of a person for the purpose of exploitation. It can happen anywhere and it does. Members of the Owen Sound Police Service will explain the indicators and signs, as well as the role a community can play. Enhanced community awareness and education will help in the fight against human trafficking in our community.