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## Social Economy and Sustainability Research Network Partenariat sur l'économie sociale et la durabilité

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### *Happy New Year!*



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Inside ...

- greetings from our Director, Dr. Leslie Brown and Coordinator, Noreen Millar
- profiles of the assistants currently working in the Node office
- notification of planned Network team activities at CASC and ANSER sessions - part of Congress 2011 at UNB in Fredericton, June 1-3, 2011
- Mark your calendar - some Important Dates

Also, check out our recent Summer 2010 newsletter for an overview of the wrap-up of research work within the sub-nodes: <http://www.msvu.ca/socialeconomyatlantic/pdfs/News/Summer%202010%20-%20FINAL.pdf>

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**Greetings from the Network Director**  
**Salutations de la Directrice du Partenariat**  
**Leslie Brown**

Here we are in December of 2010, five years after beginning this Social Economy and Sustainability Research Network. It has been quite the journey! With November 30 marking the official end of the project work in your sub-nodes, it seems an apt time to congratulate you all and to send out a newsletter to connect the members of the team once more before the end of the year.

Over these five years, research network members from 51 partner organizations, 21 universities and 17 government departments and agencies worked together on 56 research projects, as well as on assorted annotated bibliographies, fact sheets, maps, and Network and Sub-Node events. We collectively employed some 50 students, and mentored 8 student theses. We held team meetings that became dissemination events for the wider community as well, and expanded our work within each of the four Atlantic Provinces. A final bibliography, encompassing all of the team's collective output, will show just how widely we have shared the results of our research – at conferences within our own region, in the rest of Canada, in Europe, and in Asia. Research results have appeared in books, newspapers, reports to community partner organizations, academic journals, websites, blogs, newsletters, professional and community journals and beyond. On the “action” front, since the 2009 Policy Conference, there have been a number of follow up organizational and policy initiatives involving team members from across the region - look for more information in 2011! I know many of you are still preparing final papers or other dissemination products, and I look forward to hearing more about them.

As promised, we at the Node office have been busy with communication and dissemination work. Noreen Millar, ably assisted by Melissa Russwurm, has been working with project directors to make sure that all project materials from the individual research projects are available on the *Social Economy Atlantic Website*<sup>1</sup>, both in the form of Final Project Reports and in the form of digital products (papers, videos, audiofiles, and so on). This site attracts many visitors and is a good way to make the results of SES/ESD Research Network research accessible to a broad public. Mount Saint Vincent University has agreed to continue to host this site for several years to come. On the dissemination page of the site so far, an impressive 20+ working papers and several bibliographies can be found, as well as other dissemination products<sup>2</sup>. As they are received, we continue to add working papers and other research outputs to this site, based on your submissions with the Final Project Reports.

A second focal point in 2010 has been the *Social Economy Space*, a digital commons site developed in collaboration with librarians at Mount Saint Vincent University. Social Economy Space enables dissemination of materials on the social economy by collecting and preserving intellectual output prepared by both academics and practitioners, in both official languages<sup>3</sup>. It offers both an [archive](#) for the outputs of the Social Economy and Sustainability Research Network, and it accepts [new submissions](#) for as long as we want. Individual author names, and the site itself, show up when searched online using the *Google* search engine - thus offering high visibility and accessibility, while ensuring copyright protection. At present, the main focus is on work authored by, or relevant to, Atlantic Canadians. Researchers and practitioners can submit materials, and the submission process is easy. In February 2011 we will host a webinar on the use of this site and on the submission process.

Thirdly, plans are afoot for some exciting events in *Fredericton, June 1 – 3, 2011* during the conferences of the Canadian Association for Studies in Co-operation, and the Association for Non-profit and Social Economy Research. The calls - for Papers, Roundtables, and Panels - have already gone out. SES/ESD Network funds will be available to support travel to these conferences, most particularly for students and for community partners. (See details elsewhere in this newsletter) We'll be organizing both a roundtable, drawing upon the contributions to our book, and a launch of the *Partner Profiles Booklet* in which many of your organizations are profiled. In the coming weeks we hope to announce another exciting plan for Fredericton, so stay tuned!

The final newsletter will be distributed to you, to our funding agency (SSHRC), and to the general public, in the spring of 2011. In that document, we will report on the achievements of the team in relation to our original research goals and objectives. In the meantime ...

**Have a wonderful Holiday Season and all the very best for 2011!**

Nous voilà en décembre 2010, cinq ans après avoir débuter ce Partenariat sur l'économie sociale et la durabilité. Cela a été un voyage intéressant! Le 30 novembre marquant la fin officielle du travail sur le projet dans vos sous-centres, il semble que c'est le moment favorable de vous féliciter tous et d'envoyer un bulletin pour rapprocher les membres de l'équipe encore une fois avant la fin de l'année.

À travers ces cinq années, les membres du Partenariat provenant de 51 organismes partenaires, 21 universités et 17 ministères et agences gouvernementaux ont travaillé ensemble sur 56 projets de recherche, ainsi que sur des bibliographies commentées, des fiches de renseignements, des cartes et des événements organisées par le Partenariat et les sous-groupes. Collectivement, nous avons employé une cinquantaine d'étudiants et guidé 8 thèses d'étudiant. Nous avons tenu des réunions d'équipe qui sont aussi devenues des événements de diffusion pour l'ensemble de la communauté, et nous avons élargi notre travail dans chacune des provinces de l'Atlantique. Une bibliographie finale englobant le produit collectif de toute l'équipe va démontrer l'étendue de partage des résultats de nos recherches, soit aux congrès dans notre propre région, dans le reste du Canada, en Europe ou en Asie. Les résultats de recherche sont parus dans des livres, des journaux, des rapports aux organismes partenaires communautaires, des revues spécialisées, des sites Web, des blogues, des bulletins, des revues professionnelles et communautaires, et au-delà. Sur le « front d'action », suite au Congrès d'orientation de 2009, on a lancé des initiatives organisationnelles et stratégiques impliquant des membres de l'équipe de partout dans la région – attendez plus de renseignements en 2011! Je sais que beaucoup d'entre vous sont toujours en train de préparer des articles finals et d'autres produits de diffusion, et j'attends avec impatience d'en apprendre plus.

Tel que promis, ici au bureau central du Centre nous avons été occupés avec du travail de communication et de diffusion. Noreen Millar, assistée avec compétence par Melissa Russwurm, a travaillé avec les directeurs de projet pour faire en sorte que tout matériel résultant de chaque projet individuel est disponible sur le *site Web de l'économie sociale de l'Atlantique*<sup>1</sup>, sous forme de rapport de projet final et de produit numérique (des articles, des vidéos, des fichiers audio, etc). Le site Web attire beaucoup de visiteurs, et c'est une bonne manière de rendre accessible les résultats de recherche du Partenariat SES/ESD à un grand public. L'Université Mount Saint Vincent a convenu de continuer à héberger ce site Web encore quelques années. Jusqu'au présent, on peut trouver à la page de diffusion du site web un impressionnant 20+ de documents de travail et plusieurs bibliographies, ainsi que d'autres produits de diffusion<sup>2</sup>. Nous continuons à ajouter à ce site des documents de travail et d'autres résultats de recherche dès qu'ils sont reçus, basé sur vos soumissions avec les Rapports de projet finals.

En 2010, un deuxième point de mire a été l'Espace économie sociale, un site d'agora numérique qui a été développé en collaboration avec les bibliothécaires de l'Université Mount Saint Vincent. L'Espace économie sociale permet la diffusion de matériel au sujet de l'économie sociale par le rassemblement et la préservation de la production intellectuelle des universitaires ainsi que des intervenants dans les deux langues officiels<sup>3</sup>. Il fournit une archive pour la production du Partenariat sur l'économie sociale et la durabilité, et il accepte des nouvelles soumissions pour aussi longtemps qu'on veut. Les noms d'auteur, ainsi que le site même, sont trouvés par des recherches en ligne avec le moteur de recherche Google, donnant ainsi un niveau élevé de visibilité et d'accessibilité, tout en assurant la protection des droits d'auteur. Présentement, on se focalise sur le travail qui a été écrit par, ou a rapport à, les Canadiens de l'Atlantique. Les chercheurs et les intervenants peuvent soumettre du matériel, et le processus de soumission est facile. En février 2011, nous allons animer un webinaire sur l'utilisation du site et le processus de soumission.

Troisièmement, il y des plans pour des événements excitants à Fredericton le 1-3 juin 2011 durant les) congrès de l'Association canadienne pour les études sur la coopération et de l'Association de recherche sur les organismes sans but lucratif et l'économie sociale. La demande de communication – des présentations, des tables rondes et des groupes d'experts – a déjà été annoncée. Des fonds du Partenariat SES/ESD seront disponibles pour le déplacement à ces congrès, particulièrement pour des étudiants et des partenaires communautaires. (Voir les détails ailleurs dans ce bulletin). Nous allons organiser une table ronde, tirant des contributions à notre livre, et un lancement du *Partner Profiles Booklet*, dans lequel on peut trouver des profils de beaucoup de vos organismes. Pendant les semaines à venir, nous espérons d'annoncer un autre plan excitant pour Fredericton, alors restez à l'écoute!

Le bulletin final sera distribué à vous, à notre organisme de financement (CRSH), et au grand public au printemps 2011. Dans ce document nous allons faire un compte-rendu sur le performance de l'équipe par rapport à nos buts et objectifs de recherche originaux. Entretemps...

**Passez une très heureuse saison de fêtes et tous les meilleurs vœux pour 2011!**

1. <http://www.msvu.ca/socialeconomyatlantic>

2. <http://www.msvu.ca/socialeconomyatlantic/English/documentsE.asp> <http://www.msvu.ca/socialeconomyatlantic/French/documentsF.asp>

3. <http://dc.msvu.ca:8080/fr/handle/10587/9> <http://dc.msvu.ca:8080/xmliui/handle/10587/9>

## Have you met the assistants?

### MELISSA RUSSWURM (MPR CANDIDATE 2012)



Melissa Russwurm

In August 2010, I began working for the Social Economy and Sustainability Research Network as the Communications and Research Assistant. Taking over for and following in Megan MacDonald's footsteps has been an exciting challenge. After a couple of months in the position, I am starting to get a feel for my role in the Atlantic Node.

Under the direction and helpful leadership of Leslie Brown and Noreen Millar, I have been working on bibliographies, website updates, writing articles, organizing events and working with a team on the Social Economy Space. I have enjoyed all the work thus far, but I am especially excited to be involved with the development of the SE Space because it will serve as a repository and a legacy for the network when it wraps up in the spring of 2011.

After graduating from St. Thomas University in 2006 with a degree in journalism and communications, I was led to the Mount in pursuit of a Master's degree in Public Relations. I am happy to be pairing my education experience with this Communications/Research Assistant position. Furthermore, I am looking forward to pressing on for the next few months as research projects are being wrapped up. I am sure the second half will fly by as quickly as the first half did!

Cheers and happy holidays!

### JEFF CHEVERIE (MBA CANDIDATE 2011)



Jeff Cheverie

Jeff Cheverie has a history for acting on his instincts of ethical and/or local procurement procedures for food service and hospitality establishments. Before joining the Social Economy and Sustainability Research Network in May 2010, Jeff was an Executive Chef/Manager of a restaurant in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island. His beliefs and values encompass: fair and just treatment of team members; relationships with local and regional suppliers alike; empowerment of individuals; sustainable organizations; continuous personal and professional development; and the reduction of stigmatism related to illnesses that is prevalent in society.

Jeff is currently in his 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the Master of Business Administration at the Sobey School of Business, at Saint Mary's University, and is expected to graduate in May 2011. Learning opportunities that were capitalized on whilst working as a graduate research assistant have permeated throughout his educational endeavors.

Jeff joined the Social Economy Network in the context of assisting with the development of a triple bottom line evaluative tool for consumer co-operatives in Atlantic Canada. Being involved with participatory action research has increased Jeff's breadth and depth of knowledge and skills relating to change management projects and stakeholder inclusion.

Jeff is a regular traveler and has been to such places as Scotland, England, The Bahamas, USA, and throughout Canada. A healthy body leads to a healthy mind – thoughts on going to the gym.

**ERIN SCHOPFER (U LETHBRIDGE 2009-11)**

Erin Schopfer has recently moved from BC to NS making the small village of Bear River her home. She has a BA in English Literature from UVic and has worked for book publishing companies in editorial and production roles both in-house and currently as a freelancer.

Besides her love for the written word and well-designed books, Erin has long been attracted to grassroots community development initiatives. In 2005, she was the recipient of a CIDA internship through the Falls Brook Centre (New Brunswick) that focused on urban gardening education and projects in Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

Upon moving to NS, Erin and her partner, Jon Welch, set about renovating the village's old IOOF hall, turning it into a multi-purpose community gathering space known as "The Rebekah." Here they host regular music shows, craft fairs, fundraisers and community meetings. Street-level spaces have been renovated and used as a bike shop and artist studio/co-operative gallery. The Rebekah is also home to their project of Sissiboo Coffee, a small-batch coffee roasting business that is dedicated to providing ethically-sourced, fair trade coffee to the local market. Jon and Erin started Sissiboo Coffee a year ago with the intention of contributing to their own rural economy as well as to the rural economies of overseas producers.

This past summer Erin helped establish the Bear River Farmer's Market - a Sunday afternoon event that proved to be an invaluable place for community socializing and networking as well as for economic transactions of a local agrarian flavour!

Erin's interest in capacity-building has prompted her to consider a career in occupational therapy. In preparation for this she is studying anatomy and physiology. She is also a new mom to a set of twins, Eli and Margo.



Erin Schopfer

**GREETINGS FROM THE NETWORK COORDINATOR**

Noreen Millar joined the Network as Coordinator in the Node office at Mount Saint Vincent University in August 2006. Plans are in place for Noreen to continue in her role until all aspects of disseminating and reporting are complete next spring/summer. Noreen has a Master of Arts in Sociology from Acadia University in Wolfville, NS and she completed her undergraduate honours BA in Sociology at Saint Mary's University in Halifax. Since 1982, Noreen has worked with various levels of government, in a wide variety of social economy organizations at the community level, and as part of many different projects located at universities within the Atlantic region. She has also been a part time lecturer through Saint Mary's as part of the International Development Studies program, and has a long history working as a volunteer in community economic development groups and activities. Noreen's daughter, Erin, was 4 at the time her mom started working with the Network, and she has grown up these last 4+ years with the Network, and became an integral part of many of the Network's social events and team gatherings over the last few years. Her mom is thankful to have had a position that allowed flexibility in her role as single parent, and they will both miss the many close relationships they have developed with members of the team. Noreen is a researcher by training and nature. One of her favourite memories is of her own mother telling stories of Noreen's inquisitive nature as a child and her unwillingness to accept things at face value - she was always looking for more information! This outlook has served her well in her positions as qualitative researcher over the years, and has certainly supported her role as administrator within the Network. But she promises - after this last round of collecting Project Reports and outputs, statistics on leveraged funding and numbers of meetings and partners—she will no longer haunt team members looking for "more info"! But if you hear of a good job, do let her know!



Stuart Wulff (BALTA); Noreen Millar (Atl); Heather Acton (Sask); Annie McKittrick (CSE-Hub); Valoree Walker (Northern)

## SE Space Launch! Webinar - February 2011



Stan Orlov, MSVU



Roger Gillis, MSVU

### **In early February 2011, the Network will host the official launch of SE Space!**

With the help of MSVU staff (Librarian Stan Orlov and Archivist Roger Gillis) this project has been in the works for the past few years. Thanks to our own Network members for their input along the way!

The purpose of the Social Economy Space is to promote the widest possible dissemination by collecting and preserving intellectual output written by both academics and practitioners, and ensuring that it has high visibility and accessibility. This site collects digital documents and links directly to such materials. We have begun adding content, but this will grow exponentially over the next few months.

Check out the SE resources on SE Space at: <http://dc.msvu.ca:8080/handle/10587/9>

Roger says he was first attracted to the SE Space because it was unique and interesting. “A subject-specific repository is something that’s rare in Atlantic Canada,” he says. Stan says while presenting information about the SE Space at the Association for Nonprofit and Social Economy Research 2009 conference in Ottawa, he was approached by many social economy specialists from across Canada who “expressed interest in accessing and contributing information to the repository.” The SE Space idea was born in 2007. Stan says it is amazing to see this project grow from an idea to a fully functional repository.

### **And the best news is ... the Social Economy Space will be easy to use!**

A lot of work has gone into ensuring that there is a simple submission process. A *Submission Guide* is in the final stages to help new users throughout the process.

Roger says, among many positive features, SE Space will provide “unhindered access” to social economy resources that will not be available elsewhere, and it will allow indexing in Google Scholar. He says the repository will lead the way for an “overall greater presence for Social Economy research” to the scholarly community and beyond.

Stan has been working with the project from the beginning and concentrates on the technical aspects of maintaining the storage space. Roger focuses on customizing the software and improving content and the appearance of SE Space. Roger is the administrator for submissions and he is available for submission support at [roger.gillis@msvu.ca](mailto:roger.gillis@msvu.ca).

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

**Dec. 31, 2010** - any research outputs received by this date will be posted by the Node office to SE Space

**Jan. 11, 2011** - Association for Nonprofit and Social Economy Research (ANSER) - all proposals are due ([http://www.anser-ares.ca/files/conf11/UNBCallAnnouncement2011-Eng%20\\_1\\_jq.pdf](http://www.anser-ares.ca/files/conf11/UNBCallAnnouncement2011-Eng%20_1_jq.pdf))

**Jan. 24, 2011** - Canadian Association for Studies in Co-operation - all abstracts and proposals for panels and roundtables are due (<http://www.coopresearch.coop/wp-content/uploads/2010/11/CASC-call-2011-English.pdf>)

**January** - registration opens for Congress 2011 - for more information about Congress, keep an eye on this website: <http://congress2011.ca/about-2/>

## Partner Profiles Booklet Launch! Congress 2011

Our very own Coordinator, Noreen Millar, has been developing a booklet of profiles of our community partner organizations, with their consent and assistance, and with publication assistance from Erin Schopfer. The “Partner Profiles” booklet will be a compilation of information designed for easy access and as a learning and public relations tool within the sector. Some of our government partners have contributed their expertise to the selection of information to be contained in the booklet - with an eye to making this resource useful to those in policy-making positions and within financial granting bodies, helping them to further understand the reality of operating a social economy organization within our region. Our goal has been to allow our partners to offer profiles of their organizations to the general public in an effort to show the depth and breadth of the social economy sector within the Atlantic region.

A profile of any particular organization may include information about its history; its role in the local community as an employer, and as an advocacy or community support agency; public information about its operational budgets and other financial realities of operating within the social economy sector; perspectives on its governance structures including information about memberships, decision-making and volunteer Boards of Directors. In addition, profiles highlight the innovative ways in which these organizations often provide goods and services and “get the job done” in ways outside of the scope of traditional private or public sector activities. A variety of “social economy facts” will be distributed throughout the booklet, and a “Resource” section will provide information for the organizations as well as other readers of the booklet. Photos submitted by our partner organizations, their logos and contact information, will round out the expressive beauty and usefulness of the booklet.

The booklet will be available on the Social Economy Network’s public website as a “pdf” document. It will also be available in print copy and distributed to our partners and to government agencies and other interested parties throughout the region.

During the ANSER sessions, as part of Congress 2011, Noreen is proposing that a roundtable be convened wherein community partners who have been part of the Social Economy Network can meet and talk about their experiences and the roles of their organizations in our local social economies. The Network is also planning a special activity at Congress to launch the publication of the booklet. Watch for more details in the new year!

Included in our booklet will be information from such organizations as:

Women’s Network PEI

Groupe de développement durable du pays de Cocagne, N-B

JustUs! Education and Development Society, Wolfville, NS

Coalition pour la Viabilité du Sud du Golfe du St-Laurent, Moncton, N-B

Growing Circle Co-op, PEI

La Coopérative Travailleurs Forestiers Mckendrick Ltée, N-B

Kids Action Program, Kentville, NS

New Brunswick Cranberry Growers Agency

Community Sector Council Newfoundland and Labrador

If you haven’t yet completed your interview for the Partner Profiles booklet, please anticipate contact from Noreen in the early part of the new year. Your participation is valued and essential to promoting the work that you do, as our community partners, within the social economy in the Atlantic region, and the research in which you have participated as part of our Network. We thank you for your time and dedication!

# OUR PARTNERS

## Community Partners from:

Association des conchyliculteurs professionnels du Nouveau-Brunswick

Association du DSL de Pointe-Duchesne, N-B

Assoc. des propriétaires de lots boisés du N-B

Caisses Populaires Acadiennes en Gestion des Coopératives, N-B

Canadian Community Economic Development Network

Canadian Community Investment Network Co-op

Canadian Worker Cooperative Federation

Chinese Canadian Association of PEI

Coalition pour la Viabilité du Sud du Golfe du St-Laurent

Coastal Communities Network, NS

Community Education Network of Southwestern Nfld.

Community Sector Council Newfoundland and Labrador

Consumers Community Cooperative, NS

Co-op Atlantic

Coop de Développement Régional Acadie, N-B

Cooper Institute, PEI

Cooperative Management Education Co-op

CO-OP Lamèque, N-B

Deep Roots Music Cooperative, NS

Elders Council, Elsipogtog First Nation, Big Cove, NB

FEED NOVA SCOTIA

Fogo Island Co-op, NL

Groupe de développement durable du pays de Cocagne, N-B

Groupe du bassin versant de la région de Cap-Pelé, N-B

Growing Circle Co-Op, PEI

Halifax Independent School, NS

Hillsborough Promoters, PEI

Imagine Canada

JustUs! Development and Education Society, NS

Kids Action Program, NS

La coopérative agricole de la Récolte de Chez-Nous-The Really Local agricultural cooperative, N-B

La coopérative travailleurs forestiers Mckendrick Ltée, N-B

Launching Entrepreneurial Advantage for Parents Co-op (LEAP Co-op), PEI

Learning Disabilities Association of Prince Edward Island

Mobilizing Youth for the Delivery of Advisory Services

New Brunswick Cranberry Growers Agency

Newfoundland and Labrador Federation of Cooperatives

Nova Scotia Association of Community Business Development Corporations

Paq'tnkek Fish and Wildlife Society, NS

Pecten Union des pêcheurs de Maritimes / Maritime Fishermen's Union

PEI Association for Newcomers to Canada

Post Carbon Greater Moncton, NB

PolicyLink NB

Quality of Island Life Cooperative, PEI

SAGE, Inc., PEI

Saint John Community Loan Fund, NB

Seaspray Atlantic, PEI

Trout River Environmental Committee Ltd., PEI

Voluntary Gateway, NL

Women for Environmental Sustainability, PEI

Women's Network PEI, Inc.

## University Partners from:

**Acadia University**, Wolfville, NS - Fred C. Manning School of Business Administration

**Cape Breton University, NS – Shannon School of Business, Community economic Development Institute**

**Dalhousie University**, Halifax, NS - School of Business Administration

**Holland College**, PEI - Research and Innovation

**Memorial University of Newfoundland**, St. John's, NL – Geography, Women's Studies; Sir Wilfred Grenfell College, Corner Brook - Social/Cultural Studies

**Mount Saint Vincent University**, Halifax, NS – Sociology/ Anthropology, Applied Human Nutrition, Business Admin & Tourism & Hospitality Management, Family Studies/Gerontology, Child and Youth Study, Women's Studies, Modern Languages

**Open University** - Co-operatives Research Unit, UK

**Queen's University**, Belfast, Northern Ireland

**Saint Francis Xavier University**, Antigonish, NS - Anthropology

**Saint Mary's University**, Halifax, NS – Economics, Management, Psychology, Masters of Management (Co-operatives & Credit Unions), Centre of Excellence in Accounting & Reporting for Co-operatives

**Södertörns högskola** (Södertörn University College), Stockholm, Sweden

**Stirling University**, Scotland – Applied Social Science

**Université de Moncton**, Moncton, N-B – Sociologie, Economie; campus de Shippagan - Arts et Sciences Sociales; campus d'Edmundston – Foresterie

**Université du Québec à Montréal** - Sociologie

Université du Québec à Rimouski

**University of New Brunswick**, Fredericton, NB – Sociology, Muriel McQueen Fergusson Centre

**University of Prince Edward Island**, Charlottetown, PEI – Institute of Island Studies, Sociology/ Anthropology, Philosophy, Psychology, History, Economics, Nursing, PEI Centre on Health and Aging

**University of Saskatchewan** – History, Center for the Study of Cooperatives

**University of Southern Maine** - Edmund S. Muskie School of Public Service

**University of Toronto** / The Ontario Institute for Studies in Education at the University Toronto (OISE)

**University of Tromsø** - The Norwegian College of Fishery Science, Norway

## Government Partners from:

Annapolis Valley Hants District Health Authority

Community Development & Partnerships Directorate, Human Resources & Social Development

Co-operatives Branch, Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations

Credit Unions, Co-operatives and Trust Companies and Examinations Branch, Department of Justice and Consumer Affairs, NB

Elsipogtog Elders Council, Big Cove, NB

Executive Council Office, Government of PEI

Mi'kmaq Confederacy of PEI

Municipalité de le Goulet

Municipality of Tyne Valley, PEI

New Brunswick Department of Environment

Nova Scotia Community Counts Division, NS Dept. of Finance

Paq'tnkek First Nations, NS

Pêches et Océans Canada

PEI Advisory Council on the Status Of Women

Co-operatives Branch, Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations

Sécritariat aux Coopératives Canada/Co-operatives Secretariat Canada

Sécritariat rural/Rural Secretariat, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada/Agriculture et Agroalimentaire Canada

## The networking continues!

As noted in our Summer 2010 newsletter, many of our students, community, government and academic partners continue to be involved in research in matters relating to the social economy within the Atlantic region and beyond, along with the other important work they do in their communities!

**Keep up the good work team!**

# Happy New Year!

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