LRI Welcomes Dr. Gillian K. Hadfield to Board of Governors

Economist, Law professor and AI governance expert to bring unique expertise to role

Belfast, Northern Ireland / Toronto, Canada, February 1, 2021: The Long Run Initiative (LRI) is honoured to welcome one of North America's pre-eminent legal and technology scholars to the Board of Governors. Dr. Gillian K. Hadfield is the inaugural Schwartz Reisman Chair in Technology and Society, Professor of Law and Professor of Strategic Management at the University of Toronto. She is also Director of the Schwartz Reisman Institute for Technology and Society. Her research has had a seminal influence on several fields. Dr. Hadfield has developed innovative legal and dispute resolution systems in advanced and developing market economies. She has also contributed in multifaceted ways to developing a governance model for artificial intelligence (AI), in addition to her pioneering work on other legal questions.

Dr. Gillian K. Hadfield

"We are just elated that Dr. Hadfield has agreed to join our governing board. She is a brilliant scholar with unparalleled range and depth. Dr. Hadfield's work in legal systems, regulatory markets and AI stand out as both a model and an example of how outstanding scholarship can be put to work to respond to some of the great challenges we confront as a society. She has an uncanny ability to weave together interdisciplinary perspectives into an integrated, holistic view. The LRI is honoured to have her aboard at an important inflection point for our organization," says Dr. Laurence B. Mussio. Dr. Mussio is a Co-Founder/Director of the Long Run Initiative, along with Prof. John Turner and Prof. Michael Aldous, both of Queen's University Belfast.

"I'm delighted to join the LRI's Board of Governors, an impressive and accomplished group steering LRI's course to tackle the big challenges facing business and society today," says Dr. Gillian K. Hadfield. "One of our biggest challenges right now is adapting our legal, regulatory and economic systems to ensure powerful technologies develop in ways that are safe, fair and beneficial for all. The world is undergoing immense change in our era of digital globalization, and I very much look forward to contributing to the dialogues, reflections and visions for the future that the LRI is working hard to foster."

Among Dr. Hadfield's most recent publications is the critically acclaimed *Rules for a Flat World: Why Humans Invented Law and How to Reinvent It for a Complex Global Economy* (Oxford University Press, 2017). In addition to her roles at the University of Toronto, Dr. Hadfield is also a faculty affiliate at the Vector Institute for Artificial Intelligence, based in Toronto, and a faculty affiliate at the Center for Human-Compatible AI at the University of California, Berkeley.

Dr. Hadfield received her B.A. (Hons.) in Economics from Queen's University, Ontario, her Juris Doctor degree from Stanford Law School and her M.A. and Ph.D. degrees, both in Economics, from Stanford University.

About Long Run Initiative: [The Long Run Initiative](#) (LRI) is an international project whose mission is to deliver context, analysis and understanding of the long-run experience of firms, markets and governments to support better corporate and public policy decision making. Established in 2018, the Long Run Initiative brings together speakers and participants from a range of academic, corporate and policy backgrounds to discuss historical trends that shape key contemporary challenges. A number of topical online events are currently being scheduled for 2021. The LRI is linked to [Queen's University Belfast Centre for Economic History](#) and [SIERC Inc.](#), Toronto. For more information about this release, please contact Dr. Laurence B. Mussio at [laurence.mussio@longruninitiative.com](#).

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