As a followup to Blockchain Technology Symposium 2018, a joint event of Ryerson University and the Fields Institute, and by popular demand, Blockchain Technology Symposium 2020 will gather a diverse set of audience from academia, industry and policy makers to engage in a dialogue around three main crucial topics in the adoption of blockchain technology. The aim is to bring these communities closer to address the challenges and seize the opportunities brought forward by this promising technology. Academic researchers, industry professionals, and decision makers will come together to present recent advancements, discuss adoption barriers, tackle common challenges, and explore future roadmaps surrounding blockchain and its related technologies.

Each day of the Symposium is focused on a theme:

- Tuesday, February 18: Security and Longevity
- Wednesday February 19: Privacy and Digital Identity
- Thursday February 20: Organizational Change

**Confirmed Industry/Policy Talks**

- Tej Basi, Cyberium Consulting
- Uli Broedl, Boehringer-Ingelheim
- Michael Cholod, Peer Social
- Kesem Frank, Mavennet
- Mathieu Glaude, Northern Block
- Rakesh Gohel, Mavennet
- Ira Goldstein, Herjavec Group
- Brandon Goodell, Monero Research Lab
- Doug Heintzmann, Insolar
- Marc Lijour, Information and Communications Technology Council
- Darell O’Donnell, Continuum Loop Inc
- Chetan Phull, Smartblock Law P.C.
- Stephen Sawyer, Prescient Innovations
- Ho Sung Wang, Korean National Archives
- Lee White, ChinookX

**Academic Invited Talks**

- Guang Gong, University of Waterloo
- Sergey Gorbunov, University of Waterloo and Algorand
- Florian Kerschbaum, Waterloo Cybersecurity and Privacy Institute, University of Waterloo
- Michele Mosca, Quantum-Safe Canada, Institute for Quantum Computing, University of Waterloo
- Rei Safavi-Naini, Institute for Security, Privacy and Information Assurance, University of Calgary
- Serge Vaudenay, Laboratory of Security and Cryptography, EPFL, Switzerland

**Organizing Committee**

- Victoria Lemieux, University of British Columbia
- Atefeh Mashatan, Cybersecurity Research Lab, Ryerson University
- Pawel Pralat, Ryerson University

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