

*" ... the concept of the determinant socio-economic environment injects a completely new and much more comprehensive dimension into policy-making, emphasizing the need to take into consideration a broader spectrum of policy domains and to implement cross-disciplinary approaches."<sup>1</sup>*

*"The issue is not only one of wages, but how far Canadian attempts to improve working conditions more generally will be constrained or even undone by the increasing competition with the U.S. and other countries for investment and sales."<sup>2</sup>*

*"The Canadian economy is undergoing profound and continuous structural changes that are likely to intensify in the remainder of the 1990s. These changes are re-ordering the basis of economic activity across a range of industries. Our economic future increasingly will be enhanced by our ability to develop our knowledge and skills to generate new ideas and to transform these ideas into new products and processes."<sup>3</sup>*

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<sup>1</sup> Wolfgang Michalski, "Support Policies for Strategic Industries: An Introduction to the Main Issues," in OECD, Strategic Industries in a Global Economy: Policy Issues For The 1990's, Paris 1991, p.13.

<sup>2</sup> A. Weston, Ada Piazza-McMahon, and Ed Dosman, "Free Trade with a Human Face? The Social Dimensions of CUSFTA and the Proposed NAFTA", The North-South Institute, Ottawa 1992, p.16.

<sup>3</sup> Canadian Labour Market and Productivity Centre. Canada: Meeting the Challenge of Change, A Statement by the Economic Restructuring Committee of the CLMPC, Ottawa:CLMPC 1993, p.1.