

flows in the form of increased foreign direct investment, 24 hour electronic-trading, the creation of "offshore" markets, and the rise of transnational banking and other diversified financial services. As in the previous presentation, particular attention will be given to the way in which these changes have created structural pressures on states' macroeconomic policies and have facilitated international regulatory cooperation.

9:40 - 10:30 Questions and Discussion

10:30 - 10:45 Coffee Break

Session B: **Information Technologies and Transnational Social Forces and Movements**

10:45 - 11:05 *Information Technologies and Transnational Interest Groups*

Professor William Stanbury, Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration, University of British Columbia

New information technologies have facilitated the rapid rise of transnational interest groups with multiple, overlapping and competing political agendas. This presentation will provide a detailed overview of the way in which transnational environmental interest groups have capitalized on computer networks and faxes to organize activities and influence political processes across national boundaries. The presentation will also include suggestions on possible ways in which governments can exploit information technologies to better manage and respond to these groups.

11:05 - 11:25 *Information Technologies and Transborder Criminal Activities*

Peter German, Staff Sergeant, Special Projects Group, Vancouver Commercial Crime Section, R.C.M.P.

A series of complex, interrelated legal issues have arisen as a result of the global spread of information technologies. This presentation will focus on the way in which such technologies may encourage transborder criminal activities, with a special focus on illegal capital movements and transborder money laundering activities. Particular attention will be given to possible regulatory and policing responses, focusing on both domestic and international surveillance, and the electronic privacy issues that emerge as a result of such