

Introduction

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In this issue we present three papers that address the question of how to better support Indigenous economic development. In *A Modern Annuity for Canada — Concrete Reconciliation*, Gregory Mason, Sheila Jones, and Wayne Helgason explore the rationale, design, implementation, and cost of a Modern Annuity as a concrete measure for reconciliation. They argue that treaty annuity provisions ought to be updated and seen as leasehold payments for the right to share the land. The Joint Economic Development Initiative of New Brunswick, in *Building Better Together: Exploring Indigenous Economic Development in New Brunswick*, explores the history of, the obstacles to, and the opportunities and priorities for economic development in New Brunswick. Their community-based research found that economic development objectives were broader than just developing the local economy. Development efforts should foster and support local autonomy, meet community needs, and foster well-being. Efforts to create local employment were seen as key to these objectives. Emilie Fortin-Lefebvre and Sofiane Baba, in *Indigenous Business Support Services: A Case Study of the Quebec Entrepreneurial Ecosystem in Canada*, explore the need for improved entrepreneur support services (local governments, economic development organizations, funding agencies, and business support services). They argue that these services should be better adapted to the needs of Indigenous entrepreneurs, as well as better co-ordinated among all entrepreneur support organizations.