



Editor's Comments

Welcome to the first issue of the new *Journal of Aboriginal Economic Development*. We have designed this journal to be of interest to practitioners and researchers as well as those who are teaching in the field. It is our intent to bring you articles from a wide variety of people who are working in this area to show you the range of activity and thought that is underway within Aboriginal communities.

The development of Aboriginal economies is an important step that requires thoughtful action. Many are saying that increased economic activity and the resultant wealth is one of the fundamental keys to the rebuilding of Aboriginal governments and the development of Aboriginal peoples' communities. Such an important activity deserves a close examination.

Each issue will be divided into 4 sections: *Learning from experience* will focus on the experiences and lessons from those who are working on a daily basis. Knowledge gained from experience serves as an effective complement to that based upon research. *Lessons from research* is intended to report on current research underway and to stimulate your own thinking about the work that you do. *Book Reviews* reviews the latest works on economic development. And finally, *The Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples* explores, examines and analyses the report and research of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples.

The journal will come out twice a year: a fall/winter issue and a spring/summer issue. We hope that you will find it interesting and provocative.

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