

INDIA CANADA FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE

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announces its lecture event The Journey of a Canadian Diplomat through Northern India by Mr. Scot Slessor

on Sunday, 7 May 2017, 3:00 – 5:00 PM (registration at 2:45 p.m.)



Synopsis:

Mr. Scot Slessor will speak about the ups, the downs, the joy and challenges of his time as Canada's Consul General to Punjab, Himachal Pradesh and Haryana.

About the Speaker:

Mr. Slessor (BA [Asian Studies/Anthropology], Saint Mary's University, 1986) joined the public service in 1986, serving first with the Canada Employment and Immigration Commission in Toronto as a manager of youth employment centres. He then left the public service to work in the private sector as a human resources consultant specializing in intercultural communication, indigenous and employment equity issues. Mr. Slessor re-entered the public service in 1993, working for the Canadian International

Development Agency in China, then joined Global Affairs Canada in 1996 and retired from the public service in December, 2016. He has served abroad in China, Cambodia, Brunei, Jordan, India as Consul General and as Deputy Head of Mission in Afghanistan. At Headquarters, he created and managed the Youth International Internship Program and the Canada Corps, served as Deputy Director of the China Division, Director of the Centre for Foreign Languages at the Canadian Foreign Service Institute and as Senior Advisor to the Assistant Deputy Minister, Asia Pacific. He is married to Donica Pottie (current Ambassador to Thailand, Cambodia and Laos) and they have one daughter.

Location: Rockcliffe Park Community Centre Hall, 380 Springfield Road, Ottawa

About India Canada Friendship Circle

India Canada Friendship Circle (ICFC), a non-profit Canadian organization, operating in Ottawa since 2004 and conducting lectures by prominent speakers, encourages dialogue on India in a non-religious, non-partisan and harmonious environment. The words "friendship" and "circle" in its name, convey an explicit desire to forge and maintain close ties among Canadians with an interest in India.

ICFC's mission is to enhance the profile of India in Canada through prominent speakers who articulate and interpret from their perspective the many facets of India's history, philosophy, culture, industry, economy, the arts and sciences.

For further details and online registration, please visit our website: <u>http://icfc.ws</u>