# Building Research Cultures in Business Schools

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#### **Event Format**

- Welcome (Daus)
- Land Acknowledgement and Panel Introduction (Chan)
- Opening Statements (Reay, Chang, Marsan, Turetken)
  - Questions in Chat
  - Time Keeper (Darres)
- Q&A Open Discussion
- Wrap-up (Chan, Daus)



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#### **Panel**

- Bin Chang, Associate Dean Research, Faculty of Business and Information Technology, Ontario Tech University
- Josianne Marsan, Vice Dean of Research and Innovation, Faculty of Business Administration, Université Laval
- Trish Reay, Associate Dean, PhD and Research, Alberta School of Business, University of Alberta
- Ozgur Turetken, Associate Dean Research, Ted Rogers School of Management, Ryerson University
- Yolande Chan, Associate Dean, Research & PhD/MSc Programs, Smith School of Business, Queen's University (Moderator)
- Tim Daus, Executive Director, Business Schools Association of Canada (Organizer)



# Research goals are fine but ...









## Research Culture – The Glue / Foundation









#### What is a research culture?

"We define a positive research culture as one in which colleagues (i) are valued for their contributions to a research activity, (ii) support each other to succeed, and (iii) are supported to produce research that meets the highest standards of academic rigour."

University of Glasgow, https://elifesciences.org/articles/55543

"A culture of research provides a supportive context in which research is uniformly expected, discussed, produced, and valued." <a href="https://www.hanoverresearch.com/media/Building-a-Culture-of-Research-Recommended-Practices.pdf">https://www.hanoverresearch.com/media/Building-a-Culture-of-Research-Recommended-Practices.pdf</a>

#### How do we build this?

Clear goals, effective leadership, training and support (research funding, mentoring programs, continuing education), research centres, networks and collaboration, research recognition and rewards, available time, graduate students => faculty motivation, ability, impact

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- What are the unique issues and challenges faced by your business school in building a vibrant research culture?
- What strategies, initiatives, incentives and norms have proven to be successful in building your research culture?
- What leadership role should an Associate Dean of Research or Research Director play in helping to build a healthy research culture? How can the Research Office structure and team roles support this?



# Discussion

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