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Gary Rabbior is one of the leaders in economic and financial capability in Canada. He has been President of the Canadian Foundation for Economic Education since 1981. In that capacity he has been working to improve economic and financial capability so that Canadians are better equipped to undertake their economic decisions and actions with confidence and competence. His areas of focus have extended to many activities in the areas of career exploration and development as well as entrepreneurship and enterprise education and training.

Gary's contributions have included developing a consensus guideline for economic and financial capability in Canada as well as a national survey of economic and financial capability. Gary has also developed school curriculum, written a wide variety of learning resources, and pursues opportunities to advocate on behalf of the need to improve economic and financial capability in Canada.

Gary's current projects include: a variety of efforts, in collaboration with ministries and departments of education, to improve economics and financial curriculum in schools; developing resources to assist newcomers with building a successful future in Canada; developing the "Virtual Advisor" as an online tool to support those working on the frontlines, in schools and community service agencies, helping people with their financial decisions and challenges; coordinating a national outreach initiative – "The Building Futures Network" - to help target groups of Canadians save for future education; collaborating with the Investor Education Fund in their efforts to promote improved financial capability; and collaborating with other international partners in a global network to help improve economic and financial capability; and working with international banking agencies to assist economic development.

Gary has authored numerous publications including *Money and Youth*; *Newcomers to Canada DayPlanner*; *Eco-Detectives*; *Environomics*; *Money and Monetary Policy in Canada* for the Bank of Canada; *Export Canada: Opportunities and Challenges in the World Economy* for the Department of External Affairs; *The Canadian Economy: Adjusting to Global Change* with the Economic Council of Canada; and *Canada's Economy: What Path? What Future?* for the Department of Finance.

Gary has served as a Director, Adviser, or Consultant to the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, the Canadian Bankers Association, the federal Department of Human Resources and Skills Development, the Toronto Association of Business Economists, and Arctic College. Gary was awarded the "Consumer Educator of the Year Award" by the Ontario Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations. He was also awarded the Outstanding Teacher Award by the University of Waterloo.