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### Responses

### 1. Economic Recovery and Growth

Given the current climate of federal and global fiscal restraint, what specific federal measures do you feel are needed for a sustained economic recovery and enhanced economic growth in Canada?

Set up a sustainable economy, not just selling raw resources. Raw oils could be refined here and sold for a multiple amount to our hungry neighbour or overseas and our final fossil product prices could go down to enhance the economy here. Raw lumber could be made to final products here and I'm not talking about just 2X4's, laminated beams, engineered trusses and furniture's. Now there is no aeronautical production in Canada anymore, all gone to cheap labour countries. There is no small train manufacturing in Canada anymore, all gone to cheap labour countries. There is not even serious research and developing of faster mid distance (1000 km) public transportation in this Country. There is no development of short distance public transportation in short tact sequences so working people could depend on a system like this and would leave there cars at home, don't plug up road systems and parking spaces in the Cities. An lest there is no serious development of alternative renewable energy in this Country that could give incentives to the owner and a much better reliability to the electricity supply for everyone Were the incentives to install such systems?

## 2. Job Creation

As Canadian companies face pressures resulting from such factors as uncertainty about the U.S. economic recovery, a sovereign debt crisis in Europe, and competition from a number of developed and developing countries, what specific federal actions do you believe should be taken to promote job creation in Canada, including that which occurs as a result of enhanced internal and international trade?

Cut the fat at the top and keep the people in the middle and at the bottom working. This would mean much more people would have money in there pockets to buy locally and keep the economy running. The few on the top invest only in shady investments and bring with that the whole world economy down.

#### 3. Demographic Change

What specific federal measures do you think should be implemented to help the country address the consequences of, and challenges associated with, the aging of the Canadian population and of skills shortages?

There is not much any Governenment can do about the aging of population, but it could invest, or could have invested pension found wisely and not waste them. The shortage of a skilled workforce is the result of a week schooling system that estimates motorish skills the same then akademic skills. Start apprentiships right after schools, like in Europe. And then keep your workforce for as long as possible in the same Companies, as in Europe aor Asia for a fact. Yes one has to pay a better salery to this workforce but you have at the end a much better product. Keep cheap products out of the Country, it reduces also the waste pile.

## 4. Productivity

With labour market challenges arising in part as a result of the aging of Canada's population and an ongoing focus on the actions needed for competitiveness, what specific federal initiatives are needed in order to increase productivity in Canada?

Upgrade the workforce through training, Training, TRAINING. Yes the federl and Provincial Governments could be part of this training programs. This is somthing that went totlay missing in the last 50 years.

## 5. Other Challenges

With some Canadian individuals, businesses and communities facing particular challenges at this time, in your view, who is facing the most challenges, what are the challenges that are being faced and what specific federal actions are needed to address these challenges?

See all my previous comments and implement them!