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Feng Hou is a principal researcher with Social Analysis and Modelling Division, Statistics Canada and an adjunct professor of sociology at the University of Western Ontario. He holds a PhD in social demography from the University of Western Ontario. His research focuses on the socioeconomic integration of immigrants and the second generation, dynamics of social diversity, minority-majority social interaction, and subjective wellbeing. He has published over 180 journal articles, book chapters and government reports in these areas. His research results have been frequently used by government departments to measure the performance of immigrants and inform policy decisions.

“Temporary foreign workers and two-step immigration selection: a growing form of economic immigration in Canada”

The number of temporary foreign workers in Canada has increased rapidly over the past two decades, and proportionately more of them have made the transition to permanent residency. In this presentation, Feng Hou will provide an overview of the recent trends in the size and characteristics of temporary foreign workers, their roles in the labour market, and the expanding two-step immigration selection — the selection of economic immigrants from the pool of temporary foreign workers. He will further discuss some conditions required to ensure continued success of two-step immigration selection.

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