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Hindsight is 2020: The road taken and the road ahead for Canada’s Temporary Foreign Worker Program

This talk will reflect on the over 50 year history of the Seasonal Agricultural Worker Program and the more recent streams of the Temporary Foreign Worker Program in Canada. What is the road that has been taken and where is the program headed? What changes to its governance have remained the same and what has changed? What changes haven’t been made and why, and in whose interests? What is known about the program and what questions remain to be answered? How does the program align with the federal government’s commitment under international agreements, and the new Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration? Based on 15 years of empirical research in Canada and in a global context, this presentation will centre on these questions and take stock of lessons learned for the road ahead.

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