



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, March 30, 2022

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[English]

Pursuant to the order of the Senate of November 25, 2021, the Standing Senate Committee on Banking, Trade and Commerce met this day in room W110, 1 Wellington St., and with videoconference at 6:30 p.m. ET, the chair, the Honourable Pamela Wallin, presiding.

*Members of the committee present:* The Honourable Senators Smith and Wallin (2).

*Members of the committee present by videoconference:* The Honourable Senators Bellemare, Deacon (*Nova Scotia*), Gignac, Loffreda, Massicotte, Ringuette, Woo and Yussuff (8).

*Participating in the meeting:* Mireille K. Aubé, Procedural Clerk and Debbie Larocque, Administrative Assistant, Committees Directorate; Adriane Yong, Analyst, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, December 16, 2021, the committee continued its study on matters relating to banking, trade and commerce generally, as described in rule 12-7(8).

*WITNESSES (by videoconference):*

*Canadian Chamber of Commerce:*

Leah Nord, Senior Director, Workforce Strategies and Inclusive Growth.

*Canadian Labour Congress:*

Bea Bruske, President;

Chris Roberts, Director, Social and Economic Policy.

*Business Development Bank of Canada:*

Pierre Cléroux, Vice President, Research and Chief Economist.

*Labour Market Information Council:*

Tony Bonen, Acting Executive Director.

Leah Nord and Bea Bruske each made a statement and, together with Chris Roberts, answered questions.

At 7:28 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 7:30 p.m., the committee resumed.

Pierre Cl  roux and Tony Bonen each made a statement and answered questions.

At 8:29 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

*ATTEST:*

Kalina Waltos

*Clerk of the Committee*