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C.D. Howe Institute Promotes Finn Poschmann To Senior Research Position

Toronto, July 15, 2003 — Jack M. Mintz, President and CEO of the C.D. Howe Institute, today announced the promotion of Senior Policy Analyst Finn Poschmann to Associate Director of Research.

Poschmann, who joined the Institute in 1998 after holding several research positions with the federal Parliament, will now take a more prominent role in managing the Institute's research program and related policy activities, Mintz said.

Poschmann will work closely with Bill Robson, Senior Vice President and Director of Research, to raise the Institute — called the “best common room in Canada” by Bank of Canada Governor David Dodge — to a new level of excellence in public-policy research.

“I am delighted that Finn and Bill, working together, will enhance the Institute's reputation as the gold standard of policy research in Canada and as a fair, independent and relevant organization,” said Mintz.

A graduate in economics from Carleton University, Poschmann's work for the Institute includes papers on the distributional impact of taxation, monetary policy and related issues. His most recent *Commentary*, “Private Means to Public Ends: The Future of Public-Private Partnerships,” is emerging as a standard reference on the policy issues raised by private partnerships in building public infrastructures and services.

The Canadian Tax Foundation recently named Poschmann and Jonathan Kesselman of the University of British Columbia, as winners of its 2002 Douglas J. Sherbaniuk Distinguished Writing Award.

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