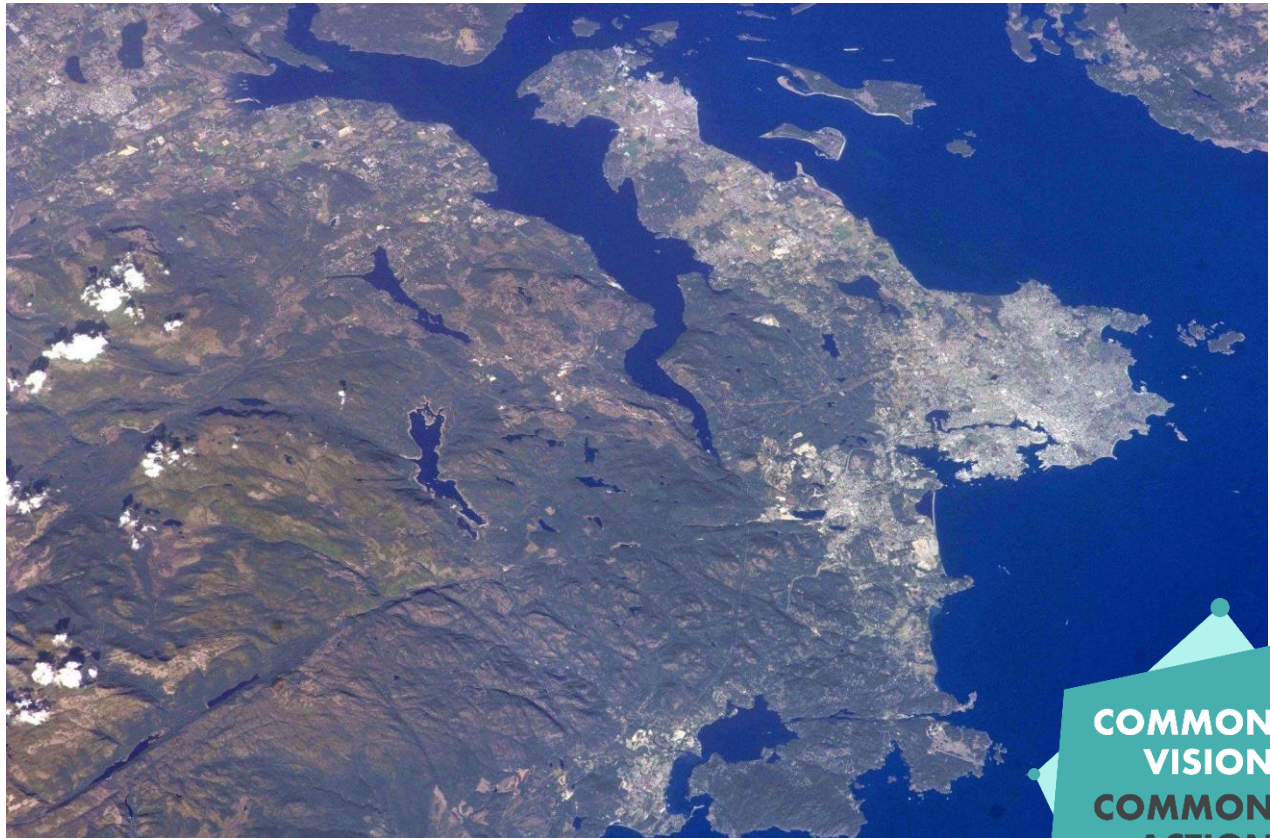


# ***Common Vision, Common Action***

*Creating a Regional Agenda for Social and Ecological Justice*

## **Conference Program**

October 13-15, 2017  
University of Victoria, Hickman Building  
Lekwungen / W̱SÁNEĆ Territory



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### **Friday, October 13**

- 5:00 pm      Registration Opens
- 5:30 pm      Meal
- 7:00 pm      **Opening Keynote / Annual Social Justice Lecture:**  
Paul Cheoketen Wagner, "Restoring the Circle of Life in this Region:  
Indigenous Perspectives for Social and Ecological Justice"

**Saturday, October 14**

- 8:30 am Registration / Coffee
- 9:00 am Welcoming
- 9:15 am **Policy Session 1: Housing and Land Use**  
Speaker: Marika Albert, Community Social Planning Council
- 10:30 am Break
- 10:45 am **Policy Session 2: Transportation**  
Todd Litman, Cities for Everyone
- 12:00 pm Lunch
- 1:00 pm **Policy Session 3: Food, Water & Ecological Systems**  
Hannah Roessler, UVic Environmental Studies & Dean Murdock, Saanich Council
- 2:00 pm Break
- 2:15 pm **Policy Session 4: Education**  
Ravi Parmar, Sooke School District & Jordan Watters, Victoria School District
- 3:15 pm Break
- 3:30 pm **Policy Session 5: Governance**  
Rebecca Mersereau, Sustainability Consultant & Gary Holman, former Salt Spring CRD Director / MLA
- 7:00 pm **Conference Social**  
Featuring snacks, conversation & spoken word performance by Jeremy Loveday @ Caffe Fantastico, 965 Kings Road at Quadra, BC Transit #4 Bus from UVic

**Sunday, October 15**

- 9:00 am Registration & Coffee
- 9:30 am Concurrent Policy Sessions
- Session 1: Inclusive Communities**  
Sharmarke Dubow, Inter-Cultural Association & Kingsley Cricket, Ambit Gender Diversity Consulting
- Session 2: Energy Systems & Climate Change**  
Charley Beresford, Columbia Institute & Trevor Hancock, UVic
- 10:30 am Refreshment break

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10:45 am Concurrent Policy Sessions

### **Session 1: Arts & Culture**

Frances Litman, Creatively United for the Planet & Colin Plant, Saanich Council

### **Session 2: People and Planet-Oriented Economics**

Kaitlyn Matulewicz, Retail Action Network & Nicole Chaland, SFU Community Economic Development

11:45 pm **Closing Plenary: From a Common Vision to Common Action**

1:00 pm Adjournment

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The conference is taking place on the territory of the Lekwungen and W̱SÁNEĆ peoples. The venue is accessible to people with diverse abilities, including people with physical mobility issues. If you have any specific accessibility requests or questions, please email [commonvision2017@gmail.com](mailto:commonvision2017@gmail.com) and we will do our best to accommodate them.

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