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Dr. Caron is currently the Librarian and Archivist of Canada. He joined the Canadian federal public service in 1982, and during his career, he has worked in diverse areas such as policy development, program evaluation and operations. He has been responsible for access to information, privacy, and records management in a very large department, and he has also variously occupied the positions of Chief Financial Officer, Chief Human Resources Officer and Chief Information Officer across government. He joined the National Archives and the National Library in 2003 just one year prior to the creation of Library and Archives Canada in 2004. In January 2010, one year after he had been appointed in his current position, he launched the modernisation initiative in order to ensure the institution would have the capacity to embrace the XXIst Century and the multiple challenges brought about by the evolving digital environment. This initiative calls for network collaboration, epistemologically grounded institutional policies and policy driven decisions. Inevitably, the modernisation of Library and Archives Canada is bringing major changes in institutional approaches to appraisal, preservation, description and resource discovery. In addition to his organizational experience, Dr. Caron is a seasoned author and speaker on public administration and issues related to information and memory both in Canada and abroad. Dr. Caron has also taught in several Canadian universities. He holds a Bachelor's and a Master's degree in Economics from the Université Laval, and went on to obtain a doctorate in Applied Human Sciences from the Université de Montréal. His dissertation topic was in Canadian studies where he studied the relationship between Aborigines and the French, the British and the Canadian authorities on issues of sovereignty and territory. Dr. Caron has published numerous articles in public administration journals and archival science journals such as *Archivaria*, *Archives*, *Archival Sciences* and he has written chapters of books on various public administration topics including information management. He is also the author of a forthcoming book (in print) entitled *Web HT.0, Pour une société informée: la pertinence numérique et ses défis pour les sociétés démocratiques au XXIème siècle*, Hermann, Paris, 2011. Dr. Caron is currently co-authoring another book that should be available in Spring 2012 focusing on epistemological issues of archival and library sciences.