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Areas of expertise

- Employment & social policy
- Skills analysis & anticipation
- Immigration policy
- Inequality & social justice
- Informality
- Training & education systems
- Policy & program evaluation
- Data analysis & insights
- Employment forecasts
- New forms of employment
- Qualitative research
- Labour market information systems
- International best practices

STEVEN TOBIN

Publications

The following are a selection of publications I have co-authored, coordinated, and/or provided strategic oversight. Full list of publications is available upon request.

Recent publications

- [World Employment and Social Outlook 2025: Asia and the Pacific May Update](#) (ILO, 2025)
- [Employment implications of the earthquake in Myanmar A preliminary rapid assessment](#) (with David Mosler and Matthieu Charpe) (ILO, 2025)
- [Innovative approaches to formalization in Asia and the Pacific](#) (ILO, 2025)
- [Regional mapping of labour market information for skills and employment policies in ASEAN Member States](#) (with Richard Horne, ILO, 2025)
- [Employment Diagnostic Analysis: British Virgin Islands](#) (ILO, 2025)
- [A Just Transition With and For Youth](#) (with E. McGirr, ILO, 2025)
- Future Skills Centre, State of Skills Series:
 - [Working Collaboratively to Close Skills-Related LMI Gaps](#) (FSC, 2025)
 - [Enhancing Career Prospects and Well-Being for Canadian Youth](#) (FSC, 2024)
- [World Employment and Social Outlook: Trends 2024](#) (ILO, 2024)
- [Electricity in Demand: Labour Market Insights 2023-2028](#) (EHRC, 2023)
- [Where women work in Asia and the Pacific: Implications for policies, equity and inclusive growth](#) (ILO/ADB, 2023)
- [Worker skills must be central to Canadian immigration efforts](#) (IRPP Policy Options, 2022)

Strategic oversight (as Executive Director of a not-for-profit)

- [Challenges and Opportunities in Canada's LMI Landscape](#) (LMIC, 2022)
- [Are Adults Making Use of Career Services in Canada?](#) (LMIC with FSC, 2022)
- [LMI Insight Report no. 45: Making Sense of Gig Work](#) (LMIC, 2021)

Co-ordinated or co-authored

- [How much do they make? New Evidence on the Early Career Earnings of Trade Certificate Holders](#) (LMIC & EPRI, 2020)
- [Assessing the Pandemic and Canada's Policy Response: IZA Country Report on Canada: Country Report IZA](#) (with Arthur Sweetman, 2020)
- [Solving the Skills Puzzle: The Missing Piece is Good Information](#) (with Emna Braham, Public Policy Forum, 2020)

Blogs and op-eds

- [Higher interest rates will cause a recession - How do we pick up the pieces?](#) (Op-ed, Globe and Mail with Parisa Mahboubi, 2022)
- [Canada keeps making labour market mistakes by missing recession-era opportunities](#) (Op-ed, Globe and Mail, 2022 and C.D. Howe, 2022)
- [House of Commons, Standing Committee on Finance](#) (Appearance at Parliament of Canada Committee, 2022)

Podcasts

- [Addressing labour and skill shortages](#)
- [Helping Canadians Make Informed Choices](#)