New Podcast Series: The 7/50 Podcast

We're excited to announce the rollout of a new flagship CCS podcast, *The 7/50 Podcast*.

In the past, the Centre has published a variety of thematically distinct podcast miniseries, including our recent student series on the notwithstanding clause, *Clause for Concern? Notwithstanding Canada's Charter*.

This new series, by contrast, is much broader in scope. In short, the series will host conversations with leading scholars and lawyers about a wide range of current Canadian constitutional debates, from debates over the balance of power between Canada's federal and provincial governments to debates over how to interpret our *Charter of Rights and Freedoms*.

In the first season of the podcast, we keep things close to our institutional home by reflecting on Alberta's constitutional politics, culminating in a breakdown of some of the ballot questions that will feature in the province's October 2026 referendum. Our first guest in episode 1, Chantal Hebert (CBC's *The National*, *Toronto Star*) discusses some of the burning questions surrounding the Alberta sovereignty movement, including its relationship with the Quebec sovereignty movement and the roles that might be played by different actors (e.g. Indigenous communities, the Government of Canada) if discussions about AB sovereignty move further forward.

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You can listen to *The 7/50 Podcast* wherever you get your podcasts, including via Apple and Spotify. You can listen to episodes 1 and 2 below, and you can access the series homepage here: The 7/50 Podcast