



**Daniel Watson**

*Associate Deputy Minister, Western Economic Diversification*

Daniel Watson was appointed Associate Deputy Minister of Western Economic Diversification (WD) on March 23, 2009.

Prior to joining WD, Daniel Watson was Senior Assistant Deputy Minister of Policy and Strategic Direction at Indian and Northern Affairs Canada since December 2006.

In 2003, Daniel Watson was Assistant Deputy Minister at Western Economic Diversification (WD), responsible for the Saskatchewan Region. In addition to his WD duties, he was Chair of the Saskatchewan Federal Council, Co-Chair of the Assistant Deputy Minister's Forum and sat on a number of government-wide committees.

In 2001, he was Director General of the Aboriginal Justice Directorate at Justice Canada.

From 1999-2001, was appointed Director, Aboriginal and Territorial Relations with Indian and Northern Affairs Canada in Yellowknife.

In addition to his federal experiences, Daniel Watson has worked with the Government of British Columbia's Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs and with the Government of Saskatchewan's Department of Education, Training and Employment.