Shopping Centres and the Rise of E-Retail

The University of Alberta’s Urban and Regional Planning Program presents the Brookfield Distinguished Visitor’s Series with:

Dr. Maurice Yeates

Dr. Yeates uses extensive national data bases to address basic theoretical questions concerning the changing structure and location of shopping centres Canadian Cities. He then examines the impact that the rapid growth of E-Retail may have on future shopping centre development.

Brief Bio
Maurice Yeates (BA, Reading University (UK), 1960; PhD Northwestern University (USA), 1963) has been a Senior Research Fellow in the Centre for the Study of Commercial Activity, Ted Rogers School of Management, at Ryerson University since 1996. He served as Dean, School of Graduate Studies, Ryerson University, 2002-10; and was appointed Dean Emeritus in 2010.

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His research and consulting has focused on urban and regional development, and spatial location/allocation models in the consumer service sector. He is author, co-author, or editor of 19 books, 60 articles in refereed journals and edited books, and over 100 reports. Among his many publications are: Main Street: Windsor/Quebec City (Macmillan, 1975); The North American City (with B.J. Garner: Harper & Row 1971, 1976, 1979; sole author: Longman 1990, 1997); “Rural/Urban Land Conversion I, II, and III” (with B. Pond: Urban Geography 1993 and 1994); and, Charting the GTA: The Dynamics of Change in the Commercial Structure of the Greater Toronto Area (CSCA, 2011).

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