



Ontario East Municipal Conference September 6-8, 2023 in Ottawa



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On behalf of Members of Ottawa City Council, it is my distinct pleasure to extend a warm welcome to all those participating in the **Ontario East Municipal Conference (OEMC)**, hosted by the **Ontario East Economic Development Commission**, and taking place at the Ottawa Conference and Event Centre, on unceded Anishinabe Algonquin territory, from September 6th to 8th 2023.

This annual regional municipal conference provides a valuable opportunity for civic, federal, and provincial policymakers, along with other economic development stakeholders in the public and private sectors, to network, share knowledge, innovations and best practices to foster economic diversification, sustainable growth and prosperity in their communities.

As Head of Council, I want to acknowledge the Ontario East Economic Development Commission, speakers, sponsors and exhibitors for dedicating efforts, expertise, services and resources to the successful organization of this annual meeting.

Allow me to offer my best wishes to the participants for a productive and rewarding experience, as well as to the visitors for an enjoyable stay in Ottawa.

Sincerely,

Mark Sutcliffe, Mayor/Maire

Au nom des membres du Conseil municipal d'Ottawa, j'ai l'immense plaisir de souhaiter une cordiale bienvenue à tous les participants au **Congrès des municipalités de l'Est de l'Ontario**, organisé par l'**Ontario East Economic Development Commission**, qui aura lieu au Centre de conférences et d'événements d'Ottawa, sur un territoire non cédé de la Nation Anishinabe Algonquine, du 6 au 8 septembre 2023.

Ce congrès annuel des municipalités régionales est une occasion privilégiée pour les décideurs municipaux, fédéraux et provinciaux, ainsi que pour les autres intervenants en matière de développement économique des secteurs public et privé, de réseauter et de mettre en commun leurs connaissances, leurs innovations et leurs pratiques exemplaires afin de favoriser la diversification économique, la croissance durable et la prospérité au sein de leurs communautés.

En tant que chef du Conseil, je tiens à remercier l'Ontario East Economic Development Commission, les conférenciers, les commanditaires et les exposants, qui consacrent efforts, savoir-faire, services et ressources à l'organisation de cette assemblée annuelle pour en assurer le succès.

Permettez-moi d'adresser aux participants mes meilleurs vœux pour une expérience productive et enrichissante, et aux visiteurs, un séjour des plus agréables à Ottawa.

Cordialement,

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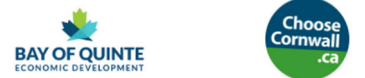
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OEMC 2023 – PROGRAM OVERVIEW FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2023

8:30 AM – 10:30 AM	<p>Atrium Registration and Refreshments <i>Sponsored by Geo-Registry Integrated Datachain (GRID)</i></p> 			
10:30 AM – 12:30 PM	<p>Room 118 CDE Conference Welcome & Opening Keynote Conference Welcome with invited Government Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing Warden Peter Emon, County of Renfrew, Chair, Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus Mayor Jeff Leal, City of Peterborough, Chair, Eastern Ontario Mayors' Caucus <p>Opening Keynote Speaker: Judy Croon <i>Sponsored by Enbridge Gas Inc.</i></p> <p>Ontario's EV Supply Chain - Driving Eastern Ontario's Contributions and Opportunities <i>Sponsored by ResearchFDI</i></p>  			
12:30 PM – 1:30 PM	<p>Lunch in Room 118 CDE <i>Pick up your food in the Exhibit Hall</i></p>			
	Municipal Development	Workforce Development	Economic Development	Community Development
1:30 PM – 2:30 PM	<p>Room 118 B Mayor and Members' Roles in Economic Development</p>	<p>Room 106 H Employment Ontario is Transforming: Building Connections for Employers and Job Seekers</p>	<p>Room 106 FG Tourism is big business in Eastern Ontario! Update from RTOs</p>	<p>Room 118 A Renfrew Virtual Triage & Assessment Centre (RC VTAC): An Innovative Approach to Health Care Belleville's Physician Recruitment</p>
2:30 PM – 3:00 PM	<p>Refreshment Break in Exhibit Hall, Ballroom 106 <i>Sponsored by Welch LLP</i></p> 			
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	<p>Room 118 B Permissions, Prohibitions, and Purgatory - Small Town Planning in Eastern Ontario Cottage Country</p>	<p>Room 106 H Workforce Development, Attraction and Retention in Rural Communities in Post Covid World</p>	<p>Room 106 FG Eastern Ontario Industrial and Employment Lands</p>	<p>Room 118 A Community Engagement and Long-term Visions: Stimulants for Investments, Economic Growth and Redevelopment in Small Municipalities. The Town of Deep River Case Study</p>
4:00 PM – 4:10 PM	<p>Transition Break</p>			
4:10 PM – 5:10 PM	<p>Room 118 B Municipality-initiated Development: Case Study - Highway 417 Industrial Park in Township of Russell</p>		<p>Room 106 FG Eastern Ontario Macroeconomics - Trends, Challenges & Opportunities</p>	<p>Room 118 A Fueling the Future: Renewable Natural Gas in Eastern Ontario</p>
5:10 PM – 6:30 PM	<p>President's Reception in Exhibit Hall Sponsored by Hydro One Networks Inc <i>Celebrating Ontario East Economic Development Commission's 35th Year!</i></p> 			
6:30 PM – 10:00 PM	<p>FREE NIGHT – OEMC will provide a shuttle service from the Ottawa Conference & Event Centre to the Byward Market (33 George Street). The first shuttle will depart at 6:15 PM and continue to loop until 10:30 PM.</p> <p>OEMC has teamed up with Ottawa Tourism to offer OEMC attendees the most of Ottawa for less with these incredible discounts. Scan the QR Code at Registration or online here for a list of places that will provide discounts if you wear your badge at the participating businesses.</p>			

OEMC 2023 – PROGRAM OVERVIEW FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2023

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	Room 118 CDE Sponsored Breakfast! Pick up your food in the Exhibit Hall!				
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Room 118 CDE Government Address with invited Government Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Honourable Victor Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade (video remarks) Roger Haley, Chair, Eastern Ontario Leadership Council, Mayor, Front of Yonge, Former Warden, Leeds & Grenville United Counties Honourable Filomena Tassi, Minister responsible for the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario (video remarks) 				
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	EDO of the Year Award Presentation Sponsored by ResearchFDI				
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Refreshment Break in Exhibit Hall, Ballroom 106 Sponsored by Peak Benefits Solutions				
	Municipal Development	Workforce Development	Economic Development	Community Development	
10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Room 118 B Preparing Eastern Municipalities for Ontario's Energy Future	Room 106 H Canada's Immigration Advantage: Programs and Resources for Employers OINP-Entrepreneur Success Initiative Update	Room 106 FG Leveraging Government Resources: How to Navigate the Funding Landscape		
11:30 AM – 11:40 AM	Transition Break				
11:40 AM – 12:40 PM	Room 118 B Municipal Law Update	Room 106 H Be Your Economy's DEI Hero: Here's the Secret	Room 106 FG Harnessing the Bioeconomy to meet the challenges facing Eastern Ontario and Mother Earth	Room 118 A Energizing Life: Preparing Communities for a Clean Energy Future	
12:40 PM – 1:45 PM	Lunch in Room 118 CDE Pick up your food in the Exhibit Hall!				
1:45 PM – 2:45 PM	Room 118 B The Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus Regional Housing Plan and the Rural Housing Information System	Room 106 H What's Out There in the Skilled Trades & Technologies: Building Ontario's Skilled Trades and Technologies Workforce - Together	Room 106 FG Taking it to the Streets - the Main Streets	Room 118 A GRID: An Innovative Solution to Streamline Development Approvals through Processes that are Simple and Efficient, which aggregate Complete Property Information!	
2:45 PM – 3:15 PM	Refreshment Break in Exhibit Hall, Ballroom 106 Sponsored by Durham Regional Technology Development Site (DRTDS)				
3:15 PM – 4:15 PM	Room 118 B The Future of Seniors Housing: The Abbeyfield Shared Accommodation Model The Provincial Urgency to Build More Homes: Managing Growth while achieving Community Vision: A Case Study of the Cavan Monaghan Experience		Room 106 FG How Colleges Can Support Attracting Industry		
5:30 PM – 10:00 PM	Room 118 CDE Banquet & Entertainment featuring Billboard Top 10 Blues Artist, 2020 IBC Winner, and JUNO Nominee, Canadian singer/guitarist JW-Jones! Sponsored by Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) <i>*Cocktail from 5:30-6:30 Dinner to begin at 6:30</i>				

OEMC 2023 – PROGRAM OVERVIEW FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2023

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

Room 118E

Morning Refreshments & Special Guest Speaker: Sara Wilshaw, Chief Trade Commissioner of Canada and Assistant Deputy Minister, International Business Development, Global Affairs Canada

Thank you to our Sponsors and Exhibitors

Be sure to visit all our exhibitors during the conference. The Exhibit Hall is in the Ballroom 106 and is open as follows:

Wednesday, September 6, 2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. – Refreshment Break
 Wednesday, September 6, 5:10 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. – President’s Reception
 Thursday, September 7, 10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. – Refreshment Break
 Thursday, September 7, 2:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. – Refreshment Break

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