



Call for Presentations

The Canadian Apprenticeship Forum – Forum canadien sur l'apprentissage (CAF-FCA) invites presentation abstracts for our next national conference.

The 2018 *National Apprenticeship Conference* will bring Canada's apprenticeship community together to highlight promising practices and innovative solutions in apprenticeship training. More than 500 delegates are expected to participate over three days.

The 2018 conference will highlight initiatives, programs and strategies that contribute to Canada's world-class apprenticeship system. This requires an understanding of innovative approaches to training, workplace and mentoring initiatives, and the engagement of under-represented groups and youth. We invite members of the apprenticeship community to consider sharing their ideas, research or innovative approaches that stand to contribute to our ongoing conversation about apprenticeship as the best way to develop a highly skilled trades workforce.

When and Where:

Date: June 10-12, 2018

Location: Fairmont Queen Elizabeth (Montréal, QC)

Share Your Innovative Apprenticeship Practices

Apprenticeship stakeholders know that talent is an important competitive advantage. Attracting quality candidates and return on training investment must be balanced with current workplace trends and challenges. There are innovative, on-the-ground approaches occurring that reflect how traditional models and methods are evolving. CAF-FCA is seeking presentations that will help stakeholders understand what innovations are working and what can be done differently to strengthen apprenticeship programs across the country.

A successful submission will:

- Share insights into innovative projects, initiatives and partnerships that stand to increase participation in apprenticeship training, particularly among under-represented groups
- Inspire the apprenticeship community to engage in collaborative solutions to address common challenges, including skills shortages, employer engagement and apprenticeship completion
- Provide opportunities to connect with new ideas and perspectives, empowering delegates to partner with others and/or lead innovation in their community, trade or sector

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Application Form

Name: _____

Position: _____

Organization: _____

E-mail address: _____ Phone: _____

TITLE OF PRESENTATION: _____

In which language would you prefer to deliver your presentation?

ENGLISH FRENCH

In what format would your material best be delivered?

60-minute single-presentation time slot, with a maximum of 2 presenters

90-minute interactive workshop, with a maximum of 3 presenters

As part of a 90-minute discussion where each presenter/panelist has a maximum of 20 minutes to present. This format allows for a variety of perspectives on a common area of interest, then engages the audience in discussion. CAF-FCA reserves the right to establish panels where similar topics are proposed by multiple presenters.

If the preferred presentation format is not listed above, please share your idea here:

In the event that you are selected to present at the 2018 CAF-FCA Conference, would you be willing to participate in a Q&A session for approximately 45 minutes at the end of the day on which your session occurred? You would be joined by other presenters that day.

YES NO

Are you comfortable being videotaped as you deliver your presentation?

YES NO

Do you have materials to display and/or distribute to participants?

YES NO

If so, do you intend to book exhibit space at the conference?

YES NO

Please provide an abstract (maximum 100 words) of your presentation:

Submit your completed application to info@caf-fca.org.

About Us

CAF-FCA is a non-profit organization that connects Canada's apprenticeship community. Participants work collaboratively to support vibrant and innovative apprenticeship systems and policies with a view to developing a highly-skilled, inclusive and mobile skilled trades workforce. Employers, unions, equity-seeking groups, educational institutions, associations and the jurisdictions support CAF-FCA operations through membership. Since 2000, CAF-FCA has fundamentally changed the conversation about apprenticeship in Canada. It has provided research insights, facilitated dialogue, profiled promising initiatives and promoted apprenticeship. By creating opportunities to share successes and address common issues, CAF-FCA contributes to effective local, regional and national solutions. More information is available at caf-fca.org.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR SUBMISSIONS

1. CAF-FCA will make decisions on each submission on a case-by-case basis. CAF-FCA reserves the right to make final selections and edit abstracts.
2. Each presenter must register and pay to attend the conference. The 2018 conference registration fee will be \$650 + tax (early-bird rate) and \$750 + tax (regular rate). Speakers who plan only to attend their own presentation will be offered a daily rate (\$300). Presenters will be advised of acceptance well before the early-bird deadline.
3. Proposals must be received no later than by **5:00 p.m. ET, Friday, October 20, 2017**. A confirmation of receipt of submission will be sent.
4. By submitting an abstract for consideration, it is understood that you are committed to be present and participate as proposed, if accepted. **Please note:** All expenses incurred to attend; i.e. registration fees, travel, hotel accommodation will be the presenter's responsibility.
5. Presenters must indicate the expected length of their presentation and preferred format of delivery on the call for presentations application form. Presentations may range between 20 and 90 minutes. Please see the Application Form for details. While presenters are asked to indicate their preference for presentation format, they should be aware that the CAF-FCA may ask that presenters consider a different format based on the proposals received and necessities of the program.
6. By completing and submitting the call for presentations application form, you give consent to CAF-FCA to collect your personal information in order to process your form, maintain contact with you and send you information related to CAF-FCA projects and activities. This consent may also include the sharing of such information with a third-party for the purposes of managing certain aspects of the call for presentations activity.
7. All presenters must be identified at the time of submission of the application. **All communication will be sent to the submitting presenter / author only.**
8. Additional information on presentation logistics and consultation details will be forwarded to all successful applicants.
9. CAF-FCA reserves the right to make changes to the submission descriptions, subject to consultation with presenters, when publishing the program.