



2018 OGRA Conference - Program at a Glance

Sunday, February 25

11AM - 12:30 PM

Meeting of OGRA Board of Directors
Algonquin Room, Main Mezzanine

Final meeting of the 2017-2018 OGRA Board of Directors

11AM - 12:30 PM

OGRA Advisory Board of Past Presidents
Quebec Room, Main Mezzanine

2018 Meeting of the Advisory Board of Past Presidents. (CLOSED MEETING)

12:30 - 1:30 PM

Quebec Room, Main Mezzanine

Joint Meeting of OGRA Board of Directors and Advisory Board of Past Presidents

The joint meeting of OGRA Board of Directors and Advisory Board of Past Presidents (CLOSED MEETING)

1:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Salon A, Convention Level

Registration

Conference registration is located in Salon A, Convention Level. Exit the main elevators and turn left and look for the signs on your right.

2:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Ontario Room, Convention Level

Small Town Forum IV – Small Town and Multi-Modal Networks Design Guide: An FHWA document in Canada

The new Small Town and Rural Multimodal Networks Design Guide translates existing street design guidance and facility types for bicycle and pedestrian safety and comfort to the small town and rural context. The guide published by the FHWA presents compelling photographs, visual illustrations, and technical diagrams to communicate design issues, network analyses and solutions in a small town setting. Paired with the design guidance for each facility type is a representative case study, telling the story of a small community's success at implementing multimodal facilities in a non-urban context. Alta Planning + Design had a lead role in the creation of the Guide. This training workshop will include material from the Guide in the Canadian context. The session will be led by Alta staff, including Kate Whitfield from the Ottawa office and Kim Voros, Alta's GIS Manager, from Seattle, Washington.



2:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Technical Session – Sustainable and Resilient Bridges and Culverts

Ontario's bridges and culverts built throughout the 1950s and 60s are quickly approaching the end of their design life. Without the necessary funding, the declining condition of these assets can result in structures with compromised safety and increased maintenance and rehabilitation costs. Municipalities of all sizes are affected by this underinvestment and are required to do more with less. The Technical Session will look at new strategies and innovative technologies to help municipalities efficiently manage their aging structures. By breaking down old assumptions and focusing on sustainable and resilient design choices, inspection methods, and maintenance and rehabilitation techniques municipalities can do more with less.

2:00 PM - 5:00 PM

OGRA's Emerging Municipal Leaders Forum

Territories Room, Main Mezzanine

Municipal governments most significantly affect the day-to-day lives of citizens. They provide the essential services that are key to maintaining a high quality of life. Surprisingly, the importance of municipalities continues to be overlooked. This is very much the case with students considering their future career options.

The Emerging Municipal Leaders Forum hopes to change that.

As part of the 2018 OGRA Conference, students, recent grads, and interns will have the opportunity to speak directly with municipal leaders about the important work they do every day. The Emerging Municipal Leaders Forum will feature a panel of leaders from both the elected and staff sides of municipal government. These individuals will share their thoughts and experiences with students interested in a career at the local level. Students in attendance will hear what it takes to succeed and learn how the industry is evolving. A significant amount of time will be allocated for questions.

The panel discussion will be followed by a networking session. Students will have the opportunity to talk to municipal leaders looking to speak directly to those interested in a career in municipal government. Students interested in public policy, geography, law, planning, economics, engineering, communication, social sciences, and public office are encouraged to register and come prepared with questions for discussion.

3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

Trade Show

Convention Level and Main Mezzanine

The OGRA trade show boast 130 exhibitors serving the municipal sector. Plan to take some time during the conference to visit our exhibitors. Booths can be found on the Convention Floor, Ballroom, Salon B, Concert Hall and on the Main Mezzanine.

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

Opening Reception

Canadian Room, Convention Level



Monday, February 26

7:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Registration

Salon A, Convention Level

Conference registration is located in Salon A, Convention Level. Exit the main elevators and turn left and look for the signs on your right.

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM

Convention Level and Main Mezzanine

Grab and Go Breakfast

Delegates can partake in a delicious continental breakfast of assorted muffins and danishes, whole fresh fruit, tea and coffee. This will be served in the Convention Foyer just outside the Canadian Room.

8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Trade Show

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8:45 AM - 8:55 AM

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Canadian Room, Convention Level

Ken Lauppe, Manager, Road Operations & Engineering, Public Works, City of Brampton and OGRA President will welcome the delegates to the 2017 Conference.

8:55 AM - 9:55 AM

Canadian Room, Convention Level

Keynote: Janette Sadik-Khan

Janette Sadik-Khan is one of the world's foremost authorities on transportation and urban transformation. She served as New York City's transportation commissioner from 2007 to 2013 under Mayor Michael Bloomberg, overseeing historic changes to the city's streets—closing Broadway to cars in Times Square, building nearly 400 miles of bike lanes and seven rapid bus lines, launching the largest bike share program in North America and creating more than 60 plazas citywide. A founding principal with Bloomberg Associates, she works with mayors around the world to reimagine and redesign their cities. She chairs the National Association of Transportation Officials, implementing new, people-focused street design standards, including the Global Street Design Guide, which has been adopted by 54 cities and organizations around the world. She is the author of Streetfight: Handbook for an Urban Revolution.



9:55 - 10:00 AM

Canadian Room, Convention Level

OGRA Shift Disturber I - Adam Donaldson, Guelph Politico

How do you cover City Hall when the local broadsheet closes? Following the shuttering of the Guelph Mercury, Adam Donaldson established himself as a one-person "Go-to" source for city hall observers. His story is an important lesson about why journalists remain critical in the digital age.

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

British Columbia Room, Main Mezzanine

TECHNICAL BRIEFING SEMINAR: Pavement Preservation and Recycling

Roads are the highest dollar-value asset in any municipality. Yet too often, roads are left to deteriorate until the only option is reconstruction. Learn how pavement preservation & recycling keep good roads good, while saving money and ending bumpy rides. This seminar will explore technical, economic, and social aspects of base stabilization, surface treatment, micro-surfacing, CCAP, and Cold In-Place Recycling. Participants will leave with a full toolbox of options to stretch their roadbuilding dollar by applying the right treatment to the right road at the right time.

10:05 AM - 10:35 AM

Canadian Room, Convention Level

Keynote: Hon. Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario (Invited)

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Time with Exhibitors

Convention Level and Main Mezzanine Coffee Break

130 Exhibitors are waiting to speak with you. Grab a coffee and tour the exhibit halls.

Coffee break sponsored by: Hydro One Networks

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

11:15 AM - 12:30 PM

Locations TBD

After the OMB - What Bill 139 Means for Municipalities

Bill 139 is a once in a generation reform of Ontario's planning framework. It is poised to usher in a new framework that will guided municipal planning by eliminating de novo hearings and strengthening council's decision making.

Bill 68 in Action

Bill 68, Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act, 2017 was passed earlier this year. This bill significantly revised the legislation governing municipalities. It has a number of implications for how municipalities will be responsible for conducting their affairs moving forward. This workshop will examine some of the key parts of the bill and discuss how to navigate these changes.



Designing Vision Zero Streets

Throughout the world, communities of every size are pursuing 'Vision Zero' initiatives that will make dramatic changes to how streets and intersections are designed. Learn how these cutting edge practices

Asset Management I - an interactive session to hear participant issues Subject matter experts will lead the training sessions and will respond to the issues the audience identifies.

How do I prioritize projects?

- Minimum data requirements for various asset types
- Difficulties in gathering and maintaining data
- Condition assessment for various asset types

Dirty Business - The Management of Excess Soils in Ontario

Currently, there is legitimate uncertainty about Ontario's excess soils agenda. Best Management Practices, market-driven excess soil handling approaches and a new regulatory regime about some of the solutions that have been discussed. Municipalities, particularly those with significant infrastructure projects, will want to learn about the government's plans for managing excess soil.

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

TECHNICAL BRIEFING SEMINAR II

Canadian Room, Convention Level

2:00 PM – 2:30 PM

Keynote (TBD)

Canadian Room, Convention Level

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

AORS Annual General Meeting

Imperial Room, Lobby Level

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

TECHNICAL BRIEFING SEMINAR III - Information will be available in the coming weeks.

Location TBD

2:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Canadian Room, Convention Level

Plenary Panel - Rust Belt to Brain Belt

For years, Ontarians have been led to believe that traditional manufacturing was a race to the bottom. Maintaining a competitive manufacturing company meant making things as cheaply as possible in low-cost overseas factories. Antoine van Agtmael



doesn't buy this argument. With his co-researcher Fred Bakker, van Agtmael crisscrossed the globe and found that the economic tide is beginning to shift from its obsession with cheap goods to the production of smart ones. In their book, *The Smartest Places on Earth*, van Agtmael and Bakker analyzed the evolving factors that are transforming former "rustbelt" communities into "brainbelt" centres of design and innovation. Following a short keynote Mr. van Agtmael will be joined by an all-star panel to discuss the implications for Ontario.

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

TECHNICAL BRIEFING SEMINAR IV

3:30 PM - 3:40 PM

Canadian Room, Convention Level

OGRA Shift Disturber II: Yvonne Su, Vote Savvy

Yvonne Su is the founder of Vote Savvy an organization that started the viral "vote mobs" phenomenon and encouraging democratic participation among youth. Rick Mercer was moved to say "Youth voter turnout is a critical issue facing our democracy. Yvonne's vote mobs change voting from simple civic duty to super fun, social activity and the results speak for themselves. The future of Canadian democracy is bright."

3:40 PM - 4:10 PM

Canadian Room, Convention Level

Keynote: Patrick Brown, Leader of Ontario PC Party

4:10 PM - 4:20 PM

Canadian Room, Convention Level

OGRA Shift Disturber III

4:20 PM - 4:50 PM

Canadian Room, Convention Level

Keynote: Andrea Horwath, Leader, Ontario NDP



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

7:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Registration

Salon A, Convention Level

Conference registration is located in Salon A, Convention Level. Exit the main elevators and turn left and look for the signs on your right

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

Foyer, Convention Level

Hot Breakfast

8:30 AM - 2:00 PM

Trade Show

Convention Level and Main Mezzanine

8:45 AM - 9:00 AM

Canadian Room, Convention Level

OGRA Annual General Meeting

Annual General Meeting of the Ontario Good Roads Association. All delegates from member municipalities are eligible to vote.

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Canadian Room, Convention Level

Keynote: Paul Smetanin, CEO, Canadian Center for Economic Analysis

The Canadian Centre for Economic Analysis (CANCEA) has examined the complex demand and supply factors affecting housing affordability in Ontario. Led by Mr. Paul Smetanin, the CANCEA team's ground-breaking "big data" housing analysis examines the multiple forces working together to influence the housing market. Their agent-based research framework more broadly identifies and connects the high-profile and the lesser known factors affecting housing availability.

9:30 AM - 10:30 AM

TECHNICAL BRIEFING SEMINAR IV

10:00 AM - 10:10 AM

OGRA Shift Disturber IV

Canadian Room, Convention Level

10:10 AM - 10:30AM

Keynote (TBD)

Canadian Room, Convention Level



10:15 AM - 10:45 AM

Coffee Break

Convention Level, Main Mezzanine and Lobby

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10:45 AM - 12:00 PM

Ontario Room, Convention Level

Asset Management II - an interactive session to hear participant issues Subject matter experts will lead the training sessions and will respond to the issues the audience identifies.

How do I stay within budget?

- Paring down the list of priorities for competing asset types to remain within maintenance and capital budgets
- Financial strategies available to meet preventive and renewal needs
- What are the risks of not meeting all priorities?

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

10:45 AM - 12:00 PM

Locations TBD

Building Effective of Rural Transit Options

A number of entrepreneurial municipalities are experimenting with initiatives that overcome the expense and complexity of providing transit in rural and remote communities. This session will profile examples that are enhancing and strengthening the quality of life in communities by developing regional transportation models.

Bill 142, Construction Lien Amendment Act, 2017

The laws that have governed construction contracts for more than 30 years are being changed and these changes have significant implications for Ontario municipalities. This will be your first opportunity to understand how this legislation will change how business is conducted in your municipality.

Emergency Management

Infrastructure Project Bundling

Recently, OGRA in collaboration with like-minded stakeholders and the government has started a process to pilot the feasibility of project bundling. To date approximately 25 municipalities have agreed to participate in this initiative. The session will focus on the benefits that your municipality can realize by participating in this project.



12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Canadian Room, Convention Level

OGRA Awards Luncheon

The Ontario Good Roads Association's annual Awards Luncheon recognizes employees who have given long years of service in the cause of good roads. Awards will also be presented to OGRA's Volunteer of the Year, the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors (AORS) Provincial Safety Truck Roadeo winner and in recognition of Academic Excellence.

This is a ticketed event. Tickets may be purchased until 4:00 p.m., Monday, February 26, 2018 in the Registration Area, Salon A, Convention Level.

2:00 PM - 3:15 PM

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

Locations TBD

Municipalities in the Age of Legalized Cannabis

The introduction of Bill 174, Cannabis, Smoke-Free Ontario and Road Safety Statute Law Amendment Act, 2017 is the Government of Ontario's response to legalization of cannabis by the federal government. This omnibus legislation will have impacts on business, public health and road safety.

Northern Ontario Multimodal Transportation Strategy

The Ministry of Transportation Ontario and Ministry of Northern Development and Mines have developed the Draft 2041 Northern Ontario Multimodal Transportation Strategy (NOMTS) to support the implementation of the Growth Plan for Northern Ontario, 2011, and economic development in Northern Ontario. This Strategy aims to address the needs and opportunities for all transportation modes, including roads, winter roads, rail, air, and waterways. The ultimate purpose of NOMTS is to guide transportation policy, program, and investment opportunities for a modern and sustainable transportation system in Northern Ontario.

Municipalities and the Carbon Market

Information will be available in the coming weeks.

Asset Management III - an interactive session to hear participant issues Subject matter experts will lead the training sessions and will respond to the issues the audience identifies.

Buying into the plan

- What is the level of service required by your customer, the people who live in your community?
- What is required of the asset to meet the customers level of service?



Reforming the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Process

The Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) process is adding considerable time and cost to municipal infrastructure projects. Municipalities are waiting on the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) to act on an Application For Review (AFR) of the MCEA process. MOECC has agreed that a comprehensive review of the MCEA process will be underway in the coming months with expected completion in December 2018.

2:30 PM - 3:30 PM

TECHNICAL BRIEFING SEMINAR - Information will be available in the coming weeks.
Quebec Room, Main Mezzanine

3:30 PM - 3:40 PM

OGRA Shift Disturber V - Information will be available in the coming weeks.
Canadian Room, Convention Level

3:40 PM - 4:25 PM

Ministerial Fireside Chat - Information will be available in the coming weeks.
Canadian Room, Convention Level

4:25 PM - 4:45 PM

Keynote (TBD) - Information will be available in the coming weeks.
Canadian Room, Convention Level

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

OGRA Social
Canadian Room, Convention Level

It was the time of the MTV music video and pop acts like Michael Jackson, Madonna and Duran Duran. E.T. and Back to the Future made its debut as did Indiana Jones and Axel Foley and who could forget Crockett and Tubbs in Miami Vice. PAC-Man was all the rage and the first Nintendo gaming unit was released. It was the time of the "me" generation, parachute pants and "big hair". Yes, I'm talking about the 80's and who better than to bring that era back in style than The Mojo Kings. Plan to join these award winning musicians on Tuesday evening for some great food, great friends and a whole lotta great music – break dancing optional.



Wednesday, February 28

7:30 AM - 10:30 AM

Registration

Salon A, Convention Level

Conference registration is located in Salon A, Convention Level. Exit the main elevators and turn left and look for the signs on your right.

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM

Hot Breakfast

Foyer, Convention Level

We are pleased to offer a hot breakfast in the Canadian Room. Menu includes: Scrambled eggs, sausage, roasted potatoes, assortment of pastries, fresh fruit, juice, tea and coffee.

8:45 AM - 8:50 AM

Prize Draw #1- (TBD)

Canadian Room, Convention Level

8:50 AM - 9:00 AM

Installation of OGRA President

Canadian Room, Convention Level

Outgoing OGRA President Ken Laupé, Manager, Road Operations - East District, Public Works, City of Brampton will pass the gavel to incoming President Chris Traini, OGRA 1st-Vice President County Engineer, County of Middlesex

9:00 AM - 9:10 AM

OGRA Shift Disturber VI

Canadian Room, Convention Level

The 2018 Ontario General Election

Ontarians go to the polls on June 7 to elect a new provincial government. A lot has changed since the last election in 2014. This expert panel will look at the issues and personalities will shape what should prove to be a memorable campaign.

9:10 AM - 10:00 AM

The Final Word

Canadian Room, Convention Level

The Final Word provides an opportunity to have your most vexing municipal government questions answered by an all-star roster of experts in the fields of administration, planning, law, construction, drainage, public works and more.

Be sure to submit your written questions in Registration (Salon A) on Monday and Tuesday.



10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Canadian Room, Convention Level

Prize Draw #2 - TBD

11:15 AM - 11:20 AM

Closing Session

Canadian Room, Convention Level

As the 2018 OGRA Conference comes to an end we want to thank all the delegates, sponsors, exhibitors and speakers for participating. Be sure to look for our annual conference evaluation survey in your inbox.

PLEASE NOTE: The 2019 OGRA conference will be held at the Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel from February 24 - 27, 2019 See you next year!