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Halifax is located on Mi'kmaw territory, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

The people of the Mi'kmaw Nation have lived on this territory for millennia, and we acknowledge them as the past, present, and future caretakers of this land.





International Federation of Surveyors
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Dear Louise:

On behalf of the Canadian Institute of Geomatics, the Geomatics Association of Nova Scotia, and Discover Halifax, I am proud to present Halifax, Nova Scotia, as the ideal destination for the FIG Working Week. This proposal reflects a deep collaboration between our local and national geomatics communities, who are eager to welcome surveyors, engineers, and spatial experts from across the globe to our vibrant city.

Halifax is a natural fit for an event of this caliber. As a city steeped in maritime heritage and innovation, Halifax has a long history of mapping and exploration that aligns perfectly with the themes of geomatics and surveying. Home to Dalhousie University—ranked among the top 15 universities in Canada—and a thriving tech and research ecosystem, Halifax is a hub for innovative projects in spatial sciences, oceanography, and climate resilience. We have also submitted this conference to the Canadian International Conference Attraction Fund and **expect to receive confirmed funding of at least \$150,000 (CAD)/ €101,351.00 prior to the Brisbane Working Week.**

We are particularly proud to have the **full support, engagement, and endorsement of the Canadian Institute of Geomatics (CIG)**. Their national leadership in advancing the science and art of geomatics ensures this event will meet FIG's standards of excellence. **The Geomatics Association of Nova Scotia** will play a key role in demonstrating our local expertise and commitment, ensuring a seamless connection between global and regional professionals. From GANS, Bradley Ashley (President) will take a lead role as Local Chair.

When you choose Halifax, you're choosing more than a destination—you're choosing an experience. Highlights of our unique offerings include:

- **First-class venues and accommodations:**
The Halifax Convention Centre, located in the heart of downtown, offers state-of-the-art meeting facilities with direct access to exceptional hotels and local attractions.
- **One of North America's best meeting destinations:**
Halifax has been recognized by Travel + Leisure and Condé Nast Traveler as a top travel destination, and recent conferences have set attendance records due to the appeal of our city.



- **Leadership in sustainability:**
The city's HalifACT 2050 plan has set a global benchmark for municipal climate action, with accolades for its innovative approach to sustainability.
- **Cutting-edge ocean research:**
As the home of the Bedford Institute of Oceanography and Dalhousie's world-renowned Ocean Tracking Network, Halifax is shaping the future of marine geomatics.
- **A city that inspires:**
From the historic Halifax Citadel to our stunning waterfront and cultural landmarks, Halifax offers an unmatched blend of history, innovation, and natural beauty.

We are excited to showcase Halifax's rich history and modern advancements, offering delegates a unique opportunity to engage with geomatics in a city that exemplifies exploration and discovery. Our commitment to making this FIG Working Week a resounding success is unwavering, and our local and national partners are ready to collaborate to ensure this event is both impactful and memorable.

We look forward to the opportunity to welcome FIG to Halifax and to working with your team to bring this vision to life. Thank you for considering our proposal, and please do not hesitate to reach out if additional information is required.

Warm regards,



Paul Bailey
Sales Director - International
Discover Halifax

Note: For the purposes of this document, the exchange rate between Canadian dollars (CAD) and United States dollars (USD) is set at 1 CAD = 0.7112 USD as of December 5, 2024. All costs are presented in Canadian dollars (CAD) unless otherwise specified. USD pricing is provided solely for reference and convenience and is subject to change based on prevailing exchange rates at the time of payment.



December 2, 2024

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Dear Ms. Louise Friis-Hansen,

On behalf of the Canadian Institute of Geomatics (CIG), I am delighted to express our enthusiastic support for Halifax, Nova Scotia, as the host city for the FIG Working Week in 2029. As Canada's leading organization representing professionals in the geomatics sector, CIG is proud to champion Halifax as the ideal destination for this prestigious international event.

Halifax is a dynamic and historic city, globally recognized for its innovative spirit, welcoming culture, and strong connections to the geomatics field. The city is home to leading academic institutions, such as Dalhousie University and the Nova Scotia Community College, which are at the forefront of groundbreaking research and education in geomatics, surveying, and related disciplines. Additionally, Halifax boasts a thriving geomatics industry and a network of highly skilled professionals, making it a natural hub for global collaboration and knowledge exchange.

CIG is committed to collaborating closely with the Halifax Local Organizing Committee, municipal leaders, and Discover Halifax to ensure the FIG Working Week is an extraordinary success. Together, we aim to craft a dynamic program that showcases advancements in geomatics, celebrates diversity within the profession, and inspires the next generation of professionals.

Beyond its professional credentials, Halifax offers an exceptional location that seamlessly blends natural beauty with modern amenities. With state-of-the-art conference facilities, excellent accessibility, and a renowned reputation for hospitality, Halifax is perfectly positioned to provide FIG delegates with an unforgettable experience.

We are confident that Halifax's bid will demonstrate its capability to host a world-class event while advancing FIG's objectives and strengthening its global network. We wholeheartedly endorse Halifax's candidacy and look forward to the opportunity to welcome FIG members from around the world to Canada in 2029.

Thank you for considering Halifax as the host city for FIG Working Week 2029. Should you require any additional information or support, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Li, PhD, PEng, FIEEE, FRSC, FCAE, FEIC
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YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED HERE.

The document contains significant in-depth detail on all aspects of our proposal to host FIG Working Week in Halifax. However, we also wanted to directly answer the questions included in the RFP/Bidding Manual. This first section of the proposal document provides our responses.

1. Propose a city;

- Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada
- *Details about Halifax can be found on pages 23 of this proposal.*

2. Propose one or preferably more potential venues;

- The Halifax Convention Centre (HCC), which is located in the heart of our downtown core.
- *Full details for the HCC are included on page 38 of this proposal.*

3. Provide three sets of dates for the event;

- May 27-31, 2029
- April 8-12, 2029
- Potential other date ranges in April/May/June that can be discussed with FIG

4. Include information on accommodation options and pricing at or in the vicinity of the proposed venue;

- Sixteen (16) hotel properties within a 0-12 minute walk of the Halifax Convention Centre have expressed an interest in hosting your delegates.
- Pricing ranges from CAD \$219 - \$359/night (USD \$156-\$256/night).
- *Full details of the hotel proposals, including 3D scans, floorplans, pricing, and concessions can be found on page 40*

5. Include information of travel and transportation options and connectivity to the proposed city and the venue;

- Halifax offers exceptional connectivity, with over 70 direct flights from major cities across Canada, the U.S., and Europe, landing at Halifax Stanfield International Airport just 30 minutes from downtown. The Halifax Convention Centre, centrally located, is easily accessible via public transit, taxis, and walkable accommodations.
- *Full details for access, transportation, and connections can be found on page 27*

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6. Indicate any support and funding from national, regional or provincial/state governments as well as respective tourism or convention authorities;

- Discover Halifax has submitted funding applications on behalf of the working group to Destination Canada for the International Conferences and Events Fund (ICAF) and the Halifax Conference Development Fund. While final approvals are pending, **anticipated funding exceeds \$150,000**, demonstrating significant national and regional support for hosting the FIG Working Week in Halifax.
- *We have included a sample funding agreement for the ICAF in Appendix "B" for review.*

7. Outline topics of relevance for the destination and why the association is interested in co-organizing the event;

- Nova Scotia offers a unique and compelling context for hosting the FIG Working Week, combining rich geographic traditions with pressing modern challenges. The province's geomatics community, led by organizations like the Canadian Institute of Geomatics and the Geomatics Association of Nova Scotia, is deeply rooted in innovation and practical solutions for global and local issues.
- A pivotal element in this ecosystem is the Centre of Geographic Sciences (COGS), based in Lawrencetown and recognized as one of the world's premier institutions for geomatics education and research. As part of the Nova Scotia Community College (NSCC), COGS has a long-standing history of producing world-class professionals in surveying, GIS, remote sensing, and geodesy. Its graduates have contributed significantly to global advancements in spatial data management and mapping technologies, including cutting-edge innovations like drone-based surveys, GPS applications, and 3D modeling.
- These strengths are particularly relevant in Nova Scotia's ongoing efforts to address climate change challenges. From coastal erosion and flooding to forest management and wildfire mitigation, the province faces significant environmental pressures that require robust geographic and surveying solutions. By integrating geomatics expertise with practical applications, Nova Scotia is setting benchmarks in environmental resilience and sustainable development.
- The FIG Working Week presents an unparalleled opportunity to highlight the pivotal role of geomatics in solving these challenges. With the full support of the Canadian Institute of Geomatics and local stakeholders, including COGS, the event would not only celebrate the achievements of the global geomatics community but also foster dialogue on how geographic science can drive innovative responses to climate change. Halifax, with its world-class Halifax Convention Centre, strong government support, and vibrant geomatics network, is ideally positioned to co-organize an event of this caliber and importance.

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8. Outline a preliminary budget for the event.

- We have created a budget that considers the following factors. This budget provides a moderate profit:
 - **Delegate Composition:** 15% Domestic, 45% Intercontinental, 40% International
 - **Sponsor/Exhibition Income: € 195,945.94**
 - **Government Support:** Expecting minimum **€ 101,351.00** from Federal Government International Conference Attraction Fund & Local Conference funds (\$150,000 CAD)
- *Please refer to the approved templated overview document in Appendix "A"*

9. Estimate of the level of affordability of meals, transportation and recreation within the proposed city;

- Halifax is an affordable destination that combines value with high-quality experiences for meals, transportation, and recreation:
 - **Meals:** Halifax offers a wide range of dining options to suit various budgets. Delegates can enjoy casual meals for under \$20 CAD or indulge in fine dining featuring fresh, local seafood and international cuisines for an average of \$50 CAD per person.
 - **Transportation:** Halifax is a walkable city with affordable and accessible transportation options. The regional transit system provides single fares at \$2.75 CAD and unlimited day passes for \$5.50 CAD. Ride-sharing services and taxis are also readily available at competitive rates. **Additionally, Halifax is prepared to consider offering free access to Halifax Transit for conference delegates, ensuring seamless travel within the city.**
 - **Recreation:** Halifax offers numerous recreational opportunities at little to no cost. Delegates can explore iconic landmarks like the Halifax Citadel, enjoy the scenic waterfront boardwalk, or visit public parks at no charge. Affordable paid activities include harbor tours, live music events, and museum visits, with ticket prices typically ranging from \$10–25 CAD.
 - **Show Your Badge Program:** Discover Halifax's "Show Your Badge" program provides exclusive discounts for conference attendees at participating restaurants, attractions, and retailers. This program adds extra value to conference attendees' visits while showcasing the city's vibrant offerings.
- Halifax's affordability, complemented by these initiatives, ensures a welcoming and cost-effective experience for delegates attending the FIG Working Week.
- *We have included costs associated with all of the above elements throughout the proposal document within their relevant sections.*

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10. Ideas for technical visits and social activities.

• Technical Visits

- Halifax offers a variety of technical visit options to align with the FIG Working Week's themes of geomatics, surveying, and innovation:
- **Centre of Geographic Sciences (COGS):**
 - Visit one of the world's leading geomatics education and research institutions, located in Lawrencetown. Delegates can tour facilities, participate in demonstrations of cutting-edge technologies like drone mapping and 3D modeling, and engage with faculty on geomatics applications in environmental management and climate resilience.
- **Bedford Institute of Oceanography (BIO):**
 - Explore Canada's premier oceanographic research facility, which plays a crucial role in coastal mapping, ocean data collection, and environmental monitoring. A visit could include presentations on marine geomatics and the use of spatial data in ocean conservation.
- **Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM) Planning Office:**
 - Learn how geomatics and surveying are applied in urban planning, infrastructure development, and disaster management. The visit could highlight projects like flood mapping and land use planning.
- **COVE (Centre for Ocean Ventures and Entrepreneurship):**
 - Dive into the world of ocean technology and innovation. Delegates can learn about the intersection of geomatics and marine technologies used in offshore mapping, resource management, and environmental monitoring.
- **Garrison Grounds and Citadel Surveys:**
 - A hands-on workshop on historical land surveying and modern-day GIS applications in heritage conservation. Delegates can compare traditional methods with current technology.



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10. Ideas for technical visits and social activities.

- **Social Activities:**

- **Tall Ship Sailing Experience:**

- Charter a tall ship for an evening harbor cruise. Delegates can enjoy networking while experiencing Halifax's maritime heritage and scenic harbor views.

- **Alexander Keith's Brewery Tour:**

- A guided tour of one of Canada's oldest breweries, featuring interactive experiences, beer tasting, and live music in a historic setting.

- **Halifax Waterfront Walk and Lobster Dinner:**

- A guided tour along the vibrant waterfront, ending with a traditional Nova Scotia lobster dinner at a waterfront restaurant.

- **Peggy's Cove Excursion:**

- A visit to the iconic Peggy's Cove lighthouse and surrounding village. Pair the trip with a discussion on how coastal geomatics informs erosion management and infrastructure planning.

- **Mi'kmaq Cultural Experience:**

- An opportunity to learn about Indigenous perspectives on land and geography through storytelling, drumming, and traditional food. This could include insights into how Indigenous knowledge complements modern geomatics.

- **Harbor Hopper Tour:**

- A fun and interactive way to see Halifax on an amphibious vehicle, blending historical insights with waterfront views.

- **Dinner at Pier 21 – Canadian Museum of Immigration:**

- Host a dinner event at this historic venue, incorporating a keynote on how geomatics supports migration and urban planning.

- **Hiking and Geomatics Discussion at Duncan's Cove:**

- A coastal hike offering breathtaking views of the Atlantic and opportunities to discuss how geomatics informs environmental conservation in such sensitive ecosystems.

- **Networking Reception at Halifax Citadel:**

- Enjoy a reception in this historic fortification, with a ceremonial cannon-firing demonstration and period-costumed guides.



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In this section, we respond directly to the RFP/Bidding Manual questions about our motivation to host the FIG Working Week in Halifax in 2029:

1. Why do you want to host FIG Working Week 2029?

Halifax, Nova Scotia, is a gateway to North America and an ideal destination for fostering global collaboration in surveying and geomatics. Hosting FIG Working Week 2029 offers an opportunity to showcase Canada's leadership in land management, geospatial innovation, and sustainable development practices. Halifax's vibrant academic, professional, and cultural ecosystems make it the perfect setting to exchange ideas, solve pressing global challenges, and celebrate the surveying profession.

By hosting this event, we aim to provide an inclusive, welcoming platform for professionals from all FIG member associations, demonstrating our commitment to global knowledge-sharing, diversity, and progress in the profession.

2. What are your objectives and outcomes you hope to achieve by hosting the Working Week?

- **Foster Innovation and Collaboration:** Encourage global partnerships to address challenges in land management, climate resilience, urban planning, and technological advancements.
- **Promote Education and Research:** Showcase the latest developments in surveying and geomatics from Canadian institutions, including Dalhousie University, the Nova Scotia Community College, and other Atlantic Canadian organizations.
- **Engage Emerging Professionals:** Inspire the next generation by creating accessible pathways for students and young professionals to participate and contribute.
- **Build Awareness and Influence:** Elevate the visibility of FIG, the surveying profession, and Halifax on the global stage as a hub for excellence and innovation.

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3. What will be your suggested theme for the Working Week?

"Surveying a Resilient Future: Innovation, Sustainability, and Equity"

This theme aligns with the global need to address climate change, sustainable urban development, and equitable land management. It reflects Halifax's commitment to innovation in geospatial technology and its leadership in addressing climate resilience through initiatives like HalifACT 2050. The theme also emphasizes the profession's role in shaping equitable solutions for communities worldwide.

4. Why is the destination of interest?

Halifax, Nova Scotia, is a destination of profound interest for hosting the FIG Working Week due to its unique blend of historical significance, modern innovation, and relevance to the geomatics and surveying community. Here's why:

- **Global Leadership in Geomatics:** Halifax is home to the Centre of Geographic Sciences (COGS), a globally recognized leader in geomatics education and research. As part of the Nova Scotia Community College, COGS has trained professionals in surveying, GIS, and remote sensing, many of whom are driving innovation worldwide. Hosting the FIG Working Week in Halifax would highlight this legacy of excellence and provide opportunities to engage with COGS faculty and graduates.
- **Addressing Global Challenges:** Nova Scotia's geography makes it a natural laboratory for addressing some of the most pressing challenges in geomatics. From managing coastal erosion and flooding to wildfire mapping and climate change resilience, Halifax has become a hub for applying geographic science to real-world problems. These efforts are of significant interest to FIG and its members.
- **Proven Success as a Host:** Halifax has a strong track record of hosting international conferences and setting attendance records for events like the **International Symposium on Pediatric Pain** and the **International Congress on Medical Education**. The Halifax Convention Centre, located in the vibrant downtown core, offers state-of-the-art facilities to accommodate delegates from around the globe.
- **Vibrant Maritime Culture:** Halifax offers an unmatched delegate experience, combining maritime charm, historic landmarks, and modern amenities. Delegates can enjoy unique social and recreational opportunities, from tall ship cruises to traditional lobster dinners, fostering connections while immersing in the region's culture.

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4. Why is the destination of interest? (continued)

- **Sustainability Leadership:** Halifax is committed to sustainable development, as exemplified by its HalifACT 2050 climate plan, recognized globally for its forward-thinking approach. This aligns with FIG's goals of promoting responsible and sustainable practices in surveying and geomatics.
- **Accessibility and Affordability:** Halifax offers excellent connectivity, with direct flights from major cities across Canada, the U.S., and Europe, and affordable options for accommodations, meals, and transportation. The city's walkable downtown and Discover Halifax's "Show Your Badge" program further enhance the experience for delegates.

By hosting the FIG Working Week, Halifax offers an inspiring platform to showcase the role of geomatics in solving global challenges while providing a memorable experience for FIG members in a city that values innovation, collaboration, and community.

5. What are previous professional events organised or hosted by your member association in the past three years?

Over the past three years, the Geomatics Association of Nova Scotia (GANS) and the Canadian Institute of Geomatics (CIG) have actively organized and supported several significant events to advance the geomatics profession:

Geomatics Association of Nova Scotia (GANS):

- **Geomatics Atlantic Conference 2021:** Originally scheduled for November 8–9, 2021, this conference was held online on January 24–25, 2022, due to pandemic-related adjustments. Themed "Geomatics NOW – From Field Collection to Online and Real-Time Dissemination," the event explored innovations in spatial data collection and dissemination, featuring presentations on current techniques, software, and near real-time data sharing methods.
- **GANS Annual General Meetings (AGMs):** GANS has consistently held AGMs to engage members in discussions on organizational progress and industry developments. For instance, the 2023 AGM was conducted virtually on June 15, 2023, providing a platform for member interaction and strategic planning.

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5. What are previous professional events organised or hosted by your member association in the past three years? (continued)

Canadian Institute of Geomatics (CIG):

- **International Cartographic Conference (ICC) 2025:** CIG successfully led Canada's bid to host the 32nd International Cartographic Conference in Vancouver, scheduled for 2025. This achievement underscores CIG's commitment to bringing global geomatics events to Canada.
- **Geomatics Atlantic 2020:** CIG supported this regional conference, which was held on October 27, 2020. The conference focused on advancements in geomatics and fostering collaboration among professionals in the Atlantic region.
- **GeoTalks Webinar Series:** In response to the need for continuous professional development during the pandemic, CIG initiated the GeoTalks webinar series on March 10, 2021. The series provides a platform for knowledge sharing and industry updates.

These events reflect GANS and CIG's dedication to promoting geomatics through conferences, educational initiatives, and community engagement, thereby enhancing the profession's profile regionally and nationally. Note that these are all in addition to the approximately 70+ events per year that Discover Halifax assists in bringing to Halifax.

6. What are the major events organised at the proposed venue in the past two years?

The Halifax Convention Centre (HCC) has been a hub of activity, hosting numerous national and international events that significantly contribute to the local economy and community vibrancy. In the past two years, HCC has welcomed over 120 events, attracting approximately 80,000 delegates in 2022 alone.

The following are eight selected International Events Hosted at HCC that may be of relevance:

- **OCEANS 2024 Conference:** A global marine conference that attracted over 1,500 delegates to discuss advancements in oceanography and marine technology.
- **27th International Annual Congress of the World Muscle Society (2022):** This congress convened over 1,000 delegates, with the majority attending in person, to discuss advancements in neuromuscular research and treatment.
- **International Symposium on Pediatric Pain (October 2023):** This interdisciplinary conference welcomed 650 pediatricians and health professionals worldwide to share research on pediatric pain management.

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6. What are the major events organised at the proposed venue in the past two years? (continued)

- **18th International Congress on Circumpolar Health (2024):** This premier event attracted approximately 500 delegates dedicated to improving health in circumpolar regions.
- **13th International Conference on Acid Rock Drainage (2024):** This conference provided a platform for discussing innovative solutions to acid rock drainage challenges.
- **International Congress on Medical Education (2023):** A major gathering of global experts in medical education, fostering collaboration and sharing innovative teaching methods.
- **Diabetes Canada/CSEM Professional Conference (November 20–23, 2024):** This highly anticipated event in diabetes and endocrinology is expected to draw over 1,300 delegates to discuss significant advances in diabetes research, treatment, and care.
- **39th International Conference on Pharmacoepidemiology & Therapeutic Risk Management (2023):** This conference brought together professionals to discuss advancements in pharmacoepidemiology and therapeutic risk management.

These events highlight HCC's capacity to host large-scale, impactful gatherings, reinforcing its reputation as a premier venue for international conferences and events.

7. What are the major events planned, if any, in the proposed city in 2029?

As of December 2024, specific major events scheduled for Halifax in 2029 have not been publicly announced. However, the city is renowned for its vibrant event scene, regularly hosting a diverse array of conferences, festivals, and cultural gatherings.

8. What initiatives or activities are you suggesting to ensure a sustainable conference environment?

To ensure a sustainable conference environment for the FIG Working Week in Halifax, several initiatives and activities are proposed, aligning with global best practices and Halifax's commitment to sustainability:

Venue and Operations Sustainability:

- **Halifax Convention Centre (HCC):** The HCC is designed to minimize environmental impact with features like energy-efficient systems, waste diversion programs, and partnerships with local vendors to reduce the carbon footprint.
- **Sustainable Catering:** Use of locally sourced, seasonal, and sustainable ingredients in catering to reduce food miles and support local producers

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8. What initiatives or activities are you suggesting to ensure a sustainable conference environment? (continued)

Carbon Reduction and Offsetting:

- Carbon Offset Programs: Encourage delegates to participate in carbon offset initiatives for their travel. Partnerships with local organizations can provide options to offset emissions through reforestation or renewable energy projects.
- Transportation Initiatives: Delegates will have free access to Halifax Transit, reducing reliance on private vehicles and taxis. Walking and cycling will also be promoted in the city's compact and accessible downtown.

Waste Management:

- Waste Reduction: Implement a strict "no single-use plastics" policy, ensuring reusable or compostable materials for all conference supplies and catering.
- Recycling Stations: Set up clear and accessible recycling and composting stations throughout the venue.

Sustainable Delegate Experiences:

- Show Your Badge Program: Leverage Discover Halifax's program to promote local, sustainable businesses for dining and entertainment, encouraging economic benefits to flow directly to the community.
- Eco-Friendly Welcome Kits: Provide delegates with reusable water bottles, locally made biodegradable products, and guides to sustainable practices during their stay.

Legacy and Community Engagement:

- HalifACT 2050 Integration: Highlight Halifax's climate action plan as a global sustainability model, using the conference to share best practices and innovations.
- Community Projects: Collaborate with local environmental organizations to organize volunteer activities, such as coastal clean-ups or tree-planting sessions, allowing delegates to contribute directly to Halifax's sustainability efforts.
- Commit to meeting ISO 20121 standards for sustainable events, ensuring that every aspect of the conference—from planning to execution—prioritizes environmental, social, and economic sustainability.

These initiatives will not only minimize the FIG Working Week's environmental footprint but also leave a positive legacy, reinforcing Halifax's position as a leader in sustainable conference hosting.

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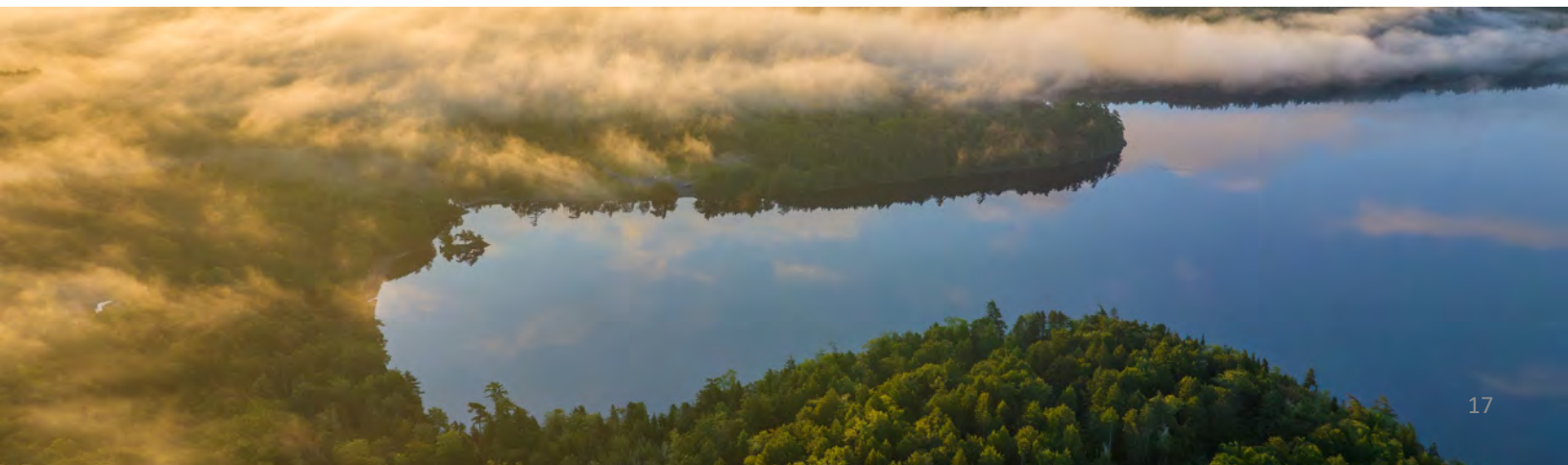
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9. What new initiatives or activities are you suggesting to expand the visibility and attractiveness of this premier and flagship FIG global forum for the Profession?

- **Interactive Innovation Zones:** Showcase cutting-edge surveying technologies like drones, AI-driven geospatial analysis, and AR/VR applications in surveying through live demonstrations.
- **Global Young Surveyors Summit:** A dedicated pre-conference event to engage young professionals and students, featuring mentorship, hackathons, and startup showcases.
- **Diversity and Inclusion Workshops:** Focused sessions on increasing diversity in the profession, with a particular emphasis on empowering women and underrepresented groups in surveying.
- **Sustainability Challenges:** Interactive forums where participants propose solutions to real-world challenges, like climate adaptation and disaster risk management, specific to Atlantic Canada.
- **Public Outreach Activities:** Open sessions for the public, such as GIS mapping demonstrations and discussions on surveying's role in sustainable community development.

10. What legacy do you expect to leave your member association and your profession locally from the Working Week?

- **Enhanced Professional Capacity:** Strengthen the skills and networks of local surveyors and geomatics professionals through exposure to global best practices and technologies.
- **Increased Engagement in FIG:** Motivate Canadian surveying associations to play an even more active role in FIG initiatives, ensuring long-term involvement and leadership.
- **Indigenous and Youth Empowerment:** Expose young Canadians to the dynamic global profession and its critical role in societal development to inspire them to pursue careers in surveying and geomatics.
- **Research Collaboration:** Foster new research partnerships between Canadian institutions and global leaders in land management and geospatial innovation.



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11. What legacy do you expect to leave for the destination?

- **Global Recognition for Halifax:** Establish Halifax as a leading global destination for geospatial conferences and events, showcasing its strengths in innovation and sustainability.
- **Tourism and Economic Benefits:** Generate significant economic impact for the region, with increased international exposure driving future tourism and business opportunities.
- **Sustainable Event Practices:** Set a benchmark for hosting environmentally sustainable conferences in Halifax, with practices aligned with ISO 20121 standards.
- **Community Connection:** Leave lasting public outreach tools, like interactive exhibits or educational materials on surveying and geomatics, for local schools and organizations to use in future learning initiatives.



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BRAD ASHLEY:

Brad Ashley is a dedicated advocate for geospatial thinking and its transformative role in both professional projects and everyday life. With over 15 years of experience in the Architecture, Engineering, and Construction (AEC) sector, Brad has consistently demonstrated a commitment to leveraging spatial intelligence to revolutionize infrastructure development.

A trailblazer in adopting cutting-edge technologies, Brad excels in blending creative problem-solving with innovative geospatial solutions to optimize project workflows. Passionate about the power of geospatial technology to capture and visualize complex data, Brad transforms this information into actionable insights that enhance decision-making and efficiency. From utilizing advanced analysis tools to inform design decisions to applying mapping technologies that improve construction processes, Brad continuously pushes the boundaries of how geospatial technology empowers the AEC industry.

Based in Nova Scotia, Brad enjoys exploring the province's rich landscapes with his wife and dog and dedicates time to community-driven initiatives. This blend of professional expertise and personal passion highlights Brad's belief in the power of GIS and geospatial technology to make a meaningful impact, both within the industry and beyond.



JONATHAN LI:

Dr. Jonathan Li is a globally recognized leader in geospatial data analysis and remote sensing, with a distinguished career dedicated to advancing geographic science and its applications in addressing real-world challenges. A professor in the Department of Geography and Environmental Management at the University of Waterloo, Dr. Li is at the forefront of research in mobile mapping, LiDAR technology, and spatial big data analytics.

With over two decades of academic and professional experience, Dr. Li has published extensively in leading scientific journals, contributing significantly to the fields of photogrammetry, remote sensing, and GIS. His innovative work integrates advanced geospatial technologies to improve urban planning, disaster management, and environmental monitoring, offering transformative solutions to critical societal issues.

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Dr. Li's leadership extends beyond research. He is an active member of professional organizations and serves as an editor for several prestigious journals in geomatics and environmental science. His dedication to knowledge sharing and capacity building has made him a sought-after speaker at international conferences and a mentor to the next generation of geospatial scientists.

Based in Ontario, Dr. Li's contributions exemplify the transformative potential of geospatial technologies, making him an invaluable voice in the global geomatics community. His expertise and commitment align seamlessly with FIG's objectives, ensuring his continued impact on advancing the field worldwide.



GEORGIA FOTOPOULOS

Dr. Georgia Fotopoulos is a distinguished expert in geospatial data analysis, geodesy, and remote sensing, with a passion for advancing the application of geomatics in solving real-world challenges. An associate professor in the Department of Geological Sciences and Geological Engineering at Queen's University, Dr. Fotopoulos is renowned for her innovative research in 3D geospatial data modeling, precise positioning, and geodetic applications in environmental monitoring.

With a robust academic and professional background, Dr. Fotopoulos has authored numerous publications in leading scientific journals, contributing to the advancement of geospatial science. Her research integrates cutting-edge technologies to enhance the understanding of earth systems and improve applications such as natural disaster management, resource exploration, and infrastructure development.

Dr. Fotopoulos is a dedicated educator and mentor, guiding the next generation of geospatial professionals and actively engaging with industry partners to bridge the gap between research and practical implementation. She is also an active member of professional organizations and a frequent contributor to international conferences, fostering collaboration and innovation in the global geomatics community.

Based in Kingston, Ontario, Dr. Fotopoulos's work exemplifies the power of geomatics to address critical environmental and societal challenges. Her expertise and commitment make her an invaluable asset to FIG's mission of advancing geospatial innovation worldwide.

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YANG GAO

Dr. Gao's pioneering research focuses on Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS), real-time kinematic positioning, and precise navigation technologies.

With an extensive career spanning academia and industry, Dr. Gao has made significant contributions to advancing GNSS technology and its applications in fields such as autonomous systems, transportation, and environmental monitoring. His innovative work integrates advanced algorithms, machine learning, and sensor fusion to deliver precise and reliable positioning solutions critical to modern infrastructure and mobility.

Dr. Gao has authored numerous peer-reviewed publications and is highly regarded for his leadership in international geomatics initiatives. He has served on editorial boards of prominent journals and as a key contributor to global conferences, fostering collaboration and driving innovation in the geospatial community.

Based in Calgary, Alberta, Dr. Gao's research and professional contributions align closely with FIG's mission of advancing the application of geomatics worldwide. His expertise and vision continue to shape the future of satellite navigation and geospatial science.



MIR ABOLFAZL MOSTAFAVI

Dr. Mir Abolfazl Mostafavi is a leading scholar in geomatics and spatial data science, recognized for his contributions to the development of innovative geospatial methods and tools. As a professor in the Department of Geomatics Sciences at Laval University, Dr. Mostafavi's research focuses on urban modeling, spatial ontologies, and the integration of geospatial technologies for sustainable urban and environmental planning.

Dr. Mostafavi has authored numerous high-impact publications and led collaborative research projects addressing complex challenges in urban resilience, disaster management, and smart cities. His work bridges the gap between advanced spatial data analysis and practical applications, providing solutions to critical issues such as land use planning, infrastructure development, and environmental conservation.

An active member of the global geomatics community, Dr. Mostafavi frequently contributes to international conferences and serves on editorial boards of leading journals. His leadership extends to mentoring emerging professionals and fostering interdisciplinary collaboration across academia, industry, and government.

Based in Québec City, Dr. Mostafavi's expertise and dedication to advancing geospatial science and its applications align seamlessly with FIG's mission. His innovative approaches and commitment to sustainability make him a valuable contributor to the global geomatics field.

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NASER EL-SHEIMY

Dr. Naser El-Sheimy is a globally recognized expert in geomatics engineering, specializing in mobile mapping systems, sensor integration, and positioning technologies. As a professor in the Department of Geomatics Engineering at the University of Calgary, Dr. El-Sheimy has pioneered advancements in integrated navigation systems, including the application of inertial sensors, GNSS, and multi-sensor platforms for precise geospatial data collection.

With a prolific academic career, Dr. El-Sheimy has authored over 500 publications and holds numerous patents in geomatics and navigation technologies. His innovative research has been instrumental in enhancing the accuracy and reliability of mapping and positioning systems, with applications ranging from autonomous vehicles to disaster response and infrastructure monitoring.

Dr. El-Sheimy has served in leadership roles in international professional organizations and is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada and the Canadian Academy of Engineering. His contributions to the global geomatics community have earned him multiple prestigious awards, reflecting his impact on advancing geospatial technologies.

Based in Calgary, Alberta, Dr. El-Sheimy's work exemplifies the transformative potential of geospatial science. His expertise in developing cutting-edge solutions aligns perfectly with FIG's mission to advance surveying and geospatial practices worldwide.

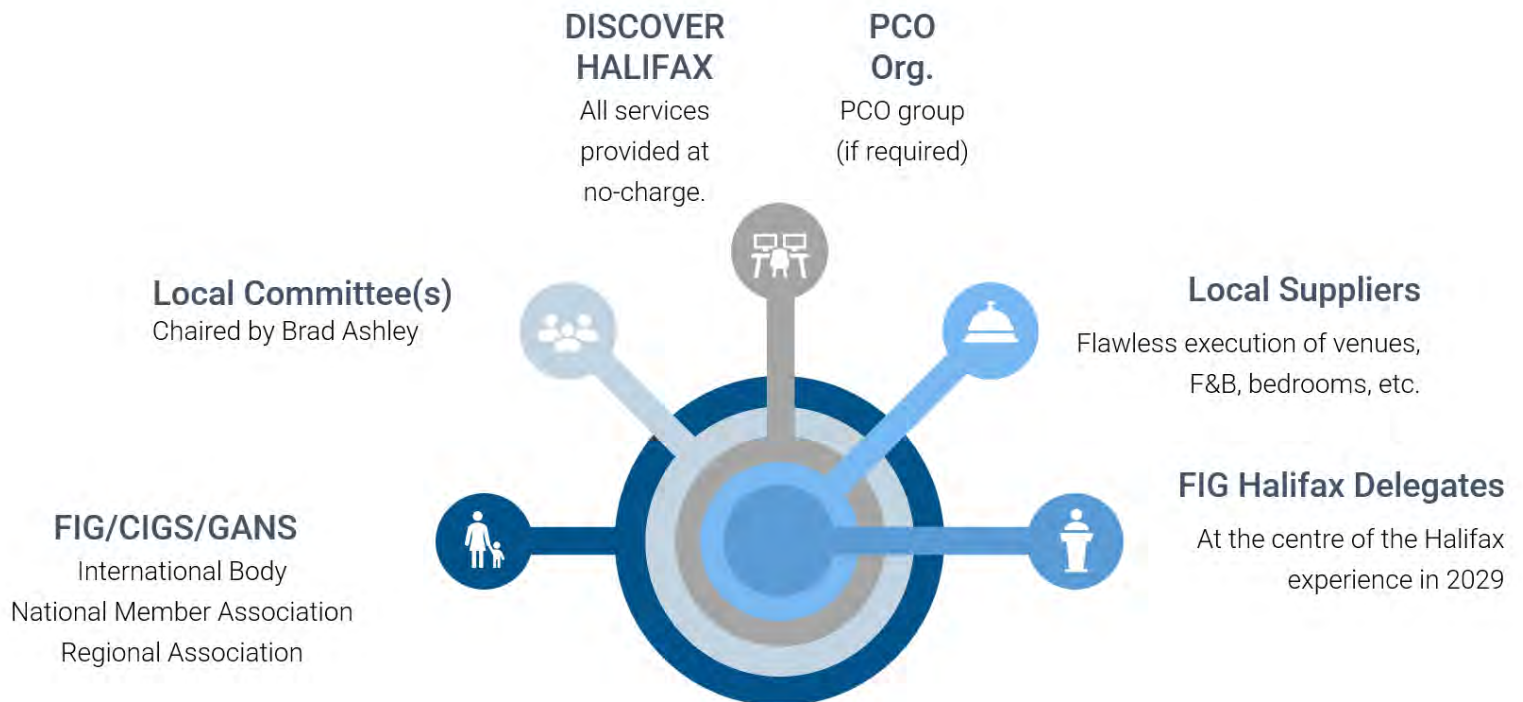


ORGANIZATION

LOCAL COMMITTEE LEAD, OVERVIEW, and DMO:

The final organizational structure of FIG Working Week 2029 Halifax will be carefully designed to ensure efficient planning and execution of the event. This structured approach will facilitate effective coordination, financial management, logistical planning, and program development, ensuring that the conference meets its objectives and provides a valuable experience for all participants. The following sections outline a proposed alignment of parties to ensure the successful delivery of the entire week's proceedings.

The preliminary structure of the LCO will include members of the Working Committee as well as designates and/or assignments per CIGS, GANS and FIG.



HALIFAX, THE PLACE

Get to know and love your host city

Halifax is the capital city of Nova Scotia, one of Canada's 13 provinces and territories. At over 420,000 people, we're the largest and most important urban centre in Eastern Canada. Within our 5 sq. km. (1.9 sq. mile) downtown core, you'll find:

700K
Sq. ft.

Venue meeting space. The largest single meeting space is in the Halifax Convention Centre, which is 30K sq. ft.

4,500+

Hotel rooms in Halifax's downtown core.

200+

Restaurants and bars, featuring local ingredients and cuisine's from around the world.

14

4+ star hotels within walking distance of the city's Convention Centre.

The city that spills into the sea

Halifax is a coastal city located on the eastern coast of Canada, characterized by a mix of urban and natural landscapes with historic architecture and expansive beaches, parks, and green spaces. Halifax has an impressive 400+ km (250 miles) of rugged coastline, which includes one of the largest natural harbours in the world.

Downtown Halifax is nestled into the side of a hill. At the top is a star-shaped fortress—which once defended the city below it. At the bottom, where the city meets the harbour, is the bustling waterfront boardwalk filled with restaurants and your pick of on-the-water experiences, stretching the entire length of the urban core.

Download your copy of the [Halifax Visitor's Guide](#)



Cosmopolitan amenities

Halifax's downtown comprises dozens of museums, attractions, parks, landmarks, galleries, and cultural sites. With vibrant culinary, music, and art scenes, your delegates will never be starved for something to. And it's all within walking distance.





Temperate maritime climate

Halifax is a four-season destination, and our city comes alive in a distinctly different ways with each one. Thanks to our coastal location, delegates enjoy warm, comfortable summers and relatively mild winters. Sunshine or snow, changing leaves or blooming trees, there's always a beautiful sunset to take in.

A culture of diversity

Historically, Halifax has been home to a variety of cultures and people including Indigenous, Acadian, African Nova Scotian, Gaelic, British, and many more. Each community has helped to collectively shape the city's heritage, traditions, and identity.

Pushing toward the future

With eight universities and colleges within the city limits, it's no wonder Halifax become known as a place developing exciting research, innovations, and entrepreneurs making big impacts globally.

“We were overwhelmed with the positive response of our delegates. Everyone had a fabulous time”
– International Conference on Fish Telemetry

Time Zone

Halifax observes Atlantic Standard Time (AST), UTC-4, and Atlantic Daylight Time (ADT), UTC-3 during daylight saving.



From seafood to small plates

Halifax is world-renowned for its seafood. Chefs make the most of our local bounty in lively pubs, cozy cocktail bars, and quintessential Halifax hangouts. Whatever your culinary quest, there's always a local beer, wine, or spirit waiting to be perfectly paired and served with a smile.

DISCOVER HALIFAX

DMO DETAILS AND RELEVANCE:

Destination Marketing Organization (DMO) Support:

Discover Halifax is the premier Destination Marketing Organization dedicated to promoting Halifax, Nova Scotia, as a world-class destination for conferences, events, and tourism. With a mission to drive economic growth through tourism, Discover Halifax has a proven track record of hosting major international events, providing exceptional support and resources to ensure their success.

As the DMO responsible, Discover Halifax is committed to delivering an outstanding event experience. Our team of experienced professionals tirelessly showcases Halifax's unique blend of historic charm and modern amenities, making it an ideal location for international conferences. The city's vibrant culture, stunning coastal landscapes, and rich maritime heritage provide a captivating backdrop for delegates worldwide.

Discover Halifax offers comprehensive services to support event organizers, including site selection, promotional materials, and on-the-ground logistics. Our strong partnerships with local businesses, hotels, and service providers ensure that every aspect of the Congress is meticulously planned and executed. We pride ourselves on creating memorable experiences that highlight the best of what Halifax has to offer.

Our commitment to sustainability and community engagement aligns perfectly with your values. Discover Halifax actively promotes sustainable tourism practices and collaborates with local organizations to foster a welcoming and inclusive environment for all visitors. By choosing Halifax, your delegates will experience a world-class event and contribute to the ongoing efforts to promote sustainable and responsible tourism in our beautiful city.

Previous Notable Events:



GETTING HERE

FROM ANYWHERE

DID YOU KNOW: Halifax is conveniently located, less than 3-hours from New York, Boston & Toronto by plane and only 6-hours from London?



Halifax Regional Municipality
'HRM' is a sprawling rural landscape, sitting at the edge of the ocean, with the City of Halifax at its heart. There's incredible local produce and seafood to try, art, theatre, and music to experience, and 1000 wild islands to explore.



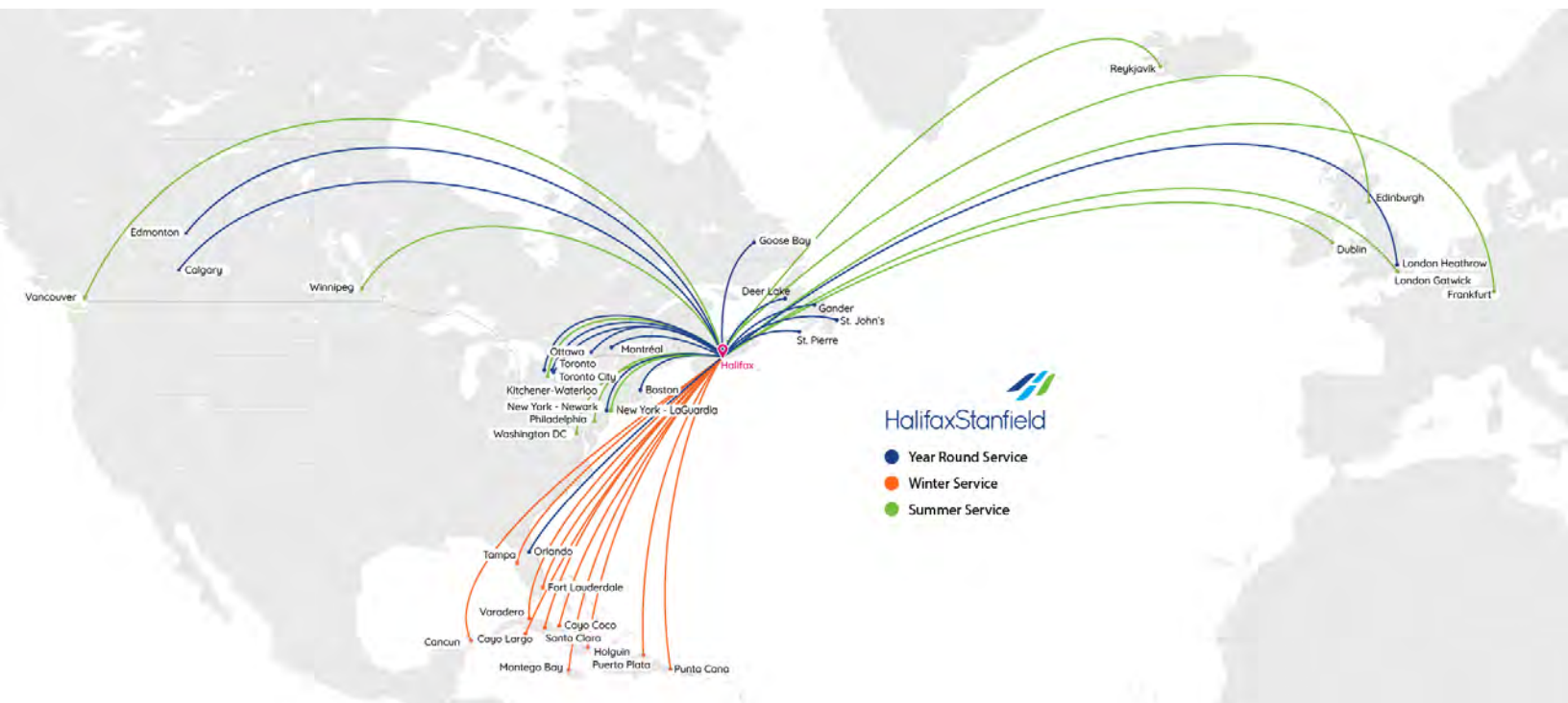
Standby for a great Airport experience

Travelling to Halifax (YHZ) is always an easy, effortless experience. Halifax is geographically closer to Boston and New York than any other Canadian city, and an hour closer by plane from Europe than any other major North American City. As such, Halifax receives daily flights from major North American and European Hubs including New York and London and Frankfurt.

Our modern and easy-to-navigate airport—Halifax Stanfield International—welcomes more than 3.1 million travelers each year and offers Canada Customs services 24/7, and U.S. pre-clearance.

Getting downtown

The Airport is only a 25-minutes from downtown by Uber, cab, limo, rental car, or public transit.



Some of the airlines that fly into YHZ





TRANSPORTATION

EASY ACCESS GLOBALLY:

Halifax Stanfield International Airport (YHZ) is the closest international airport to the Halifax Convention Centre. It is located approximately 34 kilometers (21 miles) from downtown Halifax.

Preferred Transportation Options:

1. Public Transportation:
 - Halifax Transit – Regional Express Route 320: This bus service runs hourly between the airport and downtown Halifax, including a stop near the Halifax Convention Centre. The journey takes about 54 minutes and costs CAD 4.25 one-way.
2. Taxi:
 - Taxis are available at the airport and provide a convenient, direct route to the Convention Centre. The trip takes approximately 28 minutes, with fares ranging from CAD 45 to 60.
3. Shuttle Services:
 - Several shuttle services operate between the airport and various locations in Halifax, offering another convenient option for travelers. The cost typically ranges from CAD 55 to 80 (Rome2Rio) (Discover Halifax).
4. Car Rentals:
 - Major car rental companies are located at the airport, providing flexible options for those who prefer to drive. Rental desks are situated on the lower level of the Airport Parkade.

Estimated Travel Times and Costs for Economy Return Flights:

Using well-known online booking systems, here are estimated travel times and costs for economy return flights to Halifax Stanfield International Airport (YHZ) from various destinations worldwide, based on similar dates in the current year:

	New York (JFK)	London (LHR)	Paris (CDG)	Tokyo (NRT)	Sydney (SYD)	Mumbai (BOM)
Hours:	2 (direct)	6 (direct)	6 (direct)	17 w/1 stop	24 w/ 1 stop	18 w/ 1 stop
Cost (CAD, 1 way)	\$500	\$900	\$1400	\$1600	\$1800	\$1400

SAFETY & SUSTAINABILITY

LEADING THE WAY

Sustainability

Halifax is leading the way when it comes to sustainability as a host city. Our hotels and convention centre have set goals with action plans, and our city has also set ambitious targets to reduce greenhouse gasses.

HalifACT climate commitment

In 2020, Halifax adopted HalifACT, a transformational plan to achieve a net-zero economy by 2050. This program has been recognized as 2023 Canada's Clean50 "Top Project" and Halifax has been recognized as a CDP Cities "A List".

The Paris Agreement

In 2020, Nova Scotia met Canada's 30% Paris Agreement greenhouse gas emissions target. One of very few places in North America to do so.

Staying green

Each property proposed for your consideration has a green action plan. This includes things like sourcing local ingredients, limiting the use of detergents, and measuring carbon and water footprints under the guidance of internationally recognized green programs.

Meeting green

The Halifax Convention Centre is a LEED certified (Gold) building with eco-friendly attributes that include building infrastructure, meeting room equipment, waste diversion/disposal processes, and food & beverage considerations.

Safety

Halifax ranks higher than the Canadian average for safety, thanks to its low crime rate and welcoming culture. All visitors can feel confident exploring our city day or night.

Emergency procedures

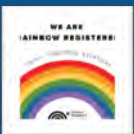
The Halifax Convention Centre has formalized emergency procedures for every scenario and has safe rooms on every floor.

Public safety is city priority

Halifax has a Public Safety Strategy, which weaves safe place tactics into public policies, programs, and sets expectations for all government departments.

Rainbow Registered

The Halifax Convention Centre, as well as many of our hotels, restaurants and attractions are rainbow registered, a national accreditation that demonstrates support of 2SLGBTQI+ communities.





SUSTAINABILITY

ACHIEVING GREEN/EQUITABLE OBJECTIVES

Nova Scotia already produces the least waste per capita and has the highest waste diversion rate in Canada, making it easy for our meeting planners to take advantage of our leading recycling and composting programs. Our Halifax Convention Centre has been awarded LEED Silver certification and has implemented an array of eco-friendly programs to minimize our environmental impact while providing the best event experience on the East Coast.

At Discover Halifax, we share your commitment to environmental sustainability and aim to minimize the carbon footprint of the 2029 Conference. We are dedicated to organizing a carbon-neutral event by implementing comprehensive sustainability practices in alignment with global efforts to combat climate change. Below are the principles and initiatives we will incorporate to ensure a sustainable Congress:

ISO 20121 Certified Design:

- Should FIG choose Halifax, our Sales Director, Paul Bailey, will be allocated to assist in developing a sustainable convention/congress system/model that adheres to ISO 20121 requirements. Paul is an ISO 20121 Certified Professional (Event Sustainability Management Systems)

Waste Reduction and Recycling:

- **Minimizing Waste Generation:** The Halifax Convention Centre operates a robust Solid Waste Management Program, which separates paper products and blue-bag recyclables from regular refuse and composts all organic materials. Waste-separation containers are provided in all public areas to encourage visitor participation. We also comply with provincial composting guidelines and adhere to stringent protocols for safely disposing of hazardous and chemical waste.
- **Reducing Single-Use Plastics:** Efforts will be made to reduce single-use plastics by providing refillable water stations on every level of the Convention Centre and utilizing compostable dishware for meals and snacks.

Energy Efficiency:

- **Energy-Efficient Facilities and Equipment:** The Halifax Convention Centre features advanced energy-efficient infrastructure, including LED lighting with occupancy sensors, water-conserving fixtures, and energy-saving escalators that reduce to half speed when not in use. The HVAC system is activated by occupancy levels, and we use CO, CO₂, and NO sensors to monitor air quality.
- **Exploring Renewable Energy Sources:** We are committed to exploring using renewable energy sources to power the event wherever feasible.



SUSTAINABILITY

ACHIEVING GREEN/EQUITABLE OBJECTIVES

Carbon Offset Programs:

- **Compensating for Emissions:** Where necessary, carbon offset programs may be available to compensate for any remaining emissions, ensuring a carbon-neutral event.

Delegate Engagement:

Delegates will be encouraged to participate in these sustainability efforts by:

- **Sustainable Travel Choices:** Reducing their carbon footprint through sustainable travel options.
- **Minimizing Waste:** Recycling and reducing the use of single-use items.
- **Supporting Sustainable Food:** Opting for sustainable food choices at the Congress.
- **Engaging in Sustainability Discussions:** Participating in discussions related to environmental and sustainability topics within the scientific program

Carbon Footprint Reduction:

- **Minimizing Travel and Accommodation Footprint:** We will minimize the carbon footprint associated with travel and accommodation. We will encourage delegates to choose low-impact transportation options, such as public transit, carpooling, and biking.
- **Sustainability Programs at Hotels:** All participating hotels have established sustainability programs, including energy-efficient operations, comprehensive recycling programs, and initiatives to reduce water consumption and waste.

We look forward to collaborating with FIG to ensure a successful, equitable, and environmentally sustainable 2029 Working Week!

DELEGATES

VISA & REGISTRATION



Let us help with that

Discover Halifax and the Federal Government have processes, contacts, and support tools in place to assist conferences manage the ever-present and continually changing customs, visa, and conference registration processes/requirements.

Conference Registration:

We can help you complete the Notice of an International Event or Meeting form at least 6 months before your event start date. This will facilitate other federal and provincial support services for your conference.

Visa Requirements:

Your delegates will fall into one of several categories, including Canadian Citizens, Canadian Permanent Residents, US Citizens, Lawful Permanent US Citizens, Visa-exempt (eTA eligible) travelers, and other classifications. For many, the process is exceptionally easy. Please refer to <https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/visit-canada/entry-requirements-country.html> for further details.

Special Registration

Discover Halifax will connect you with the right groups within the Federal Government to provide support for Canada's visa and entry requirements and conference registration processes.





VISAS & IMMIGRATION

YOUR OCEAN PLAYGROUND:

When planning for your conference in Halifax, it is important to consider visa requirements for participants coming from various countries. Below is an overview of the visa requirements and potential issues:

Visa Requirements for Entry to Canada

Participants from most countries will require a visa to enter Canada. The specific requirements can vary depending on the participant's country of origin. Generally, the process involves:

- **Completing an Online Application:** Participants must fill out an online visa application form available on the Government of Canada's immigration website.
- **Providing Supporting Documents:** This typically includes a valid passport, proof of financial support, and an invitation letter from the conference organizers.
- **Paying the Visa Processing Fee:** The fee varies based on the type of visa and the applicant's nationality.
- **Biometric Information:** Participants from certain countries may need to provide biometric information (fingerprints and photos).

Issues for Select Countries

While Canada generally provides a straightforward process for visa applications, some issues may arise for participants from certain countries:

1. Processing Times:
 - Visa processing times can vary significantly. Participants from countries with higher application volumes or those requiring additional security checks may experience longer wait times. It is recommended to apply well in advance of the conference.
2. Documentation Requirements:
 - Participants from some countries may face stricter documentation requirements. Ensuring that all necessary documents are provided accurately and completely can help mitigate delays. Common issues include incomplete financial proofs or unclear invitation letters.
3. Biometric Requirements:
 - Some participants may need to provide biometric information. This requirement can add an extra step and potential delay, especially if the nearest biometric collection point is far from the participant's location.
4. Travel Restrictions:
 - Political or diplomatic issues may affect visa approvals for participants from specific countries. Staying informed about current travel advisories and diplomatic relations is crucial.

VISAS

Specific Impacts:

1. Most G7 Countries:
 - Impact: Generally, participants experience fewer issues due to strong diplomatic relations with Canada. Standard visa processing times apply, with minimal additional requirements.
2. China:
 - Impact: Participants from China may face longer processing times due to the high volume of applications and more stringent documentation requirements. Biometric information will likely be required, and political considerations may also play a role in visa approval.
3. India:
 - Impact: Indian participants should be prepared for longer processing times and the need for comprehensive documentation, including biometric data. The high volume of applicants can cause delays, so early application is advised.
4. Russia:
 - Impact: Due to current political tensions, Russian participants may face additional scrutiny. Longer processing times and additional documentation requirements are likely, making early and thorough applications crucial.
5. Other BRIC Nations:
 - Impact: These participants typically face moderate processing times. However, thorough documentation, including proof of financial support and invitation letters, will be necessary. Biometric data collection may also be required.
6. European Union:
 - Impact: EU participants generally encounter fewer visa issues due to strong diplomatic ties. Standard visa processing times apply, with minimal additional documentation beyond the standard requirements.

Addressing these visa-related issues proactively can help ensure a smooth and successful conference experience for all participants. As part of the conference planning process, detailed visa application instructions and support should be provided to participants.

EXPERIENCES

TAKE IN THE CITY BETWEEN SESSIONS

Halifax is full of exciting adventure possibilities nearly as vast as the ocean itself. Ideal for team-building, touring, or just personal exploring. Halifax is where outdoor, cultural, culinary, and exhilarating experiences collide in the best of ways.



Go back in time with the Halifax Citadel National Historic Site



Take to the high Seas with Ambassador's Tall Ship Silva



Catch an epic wave at Lawrencetown Beach anytime of the year



Experience Peggy's Cove, an iconic symbol of Atlantic Canada



Take in dinner and a show on Argyle street



Book a tour & a tune at the historic Alexander Keith's Brewery



Soak up the culture at a local art gallery



Check out the city, your way, with a self-guided tour



Stay a little longer - Go a little further.

Travelling to Halifax gives you easy access to all of Nova Scotia's wonders with a car or bus rental. From the highest tides in the world to the scenic Cabot Trail, from our award-winning wine region to whale watching, Nova Scotia has so many unique locations for a team-building getaway, or for delegates to enjoy as a pre- or post-conference stay.



Experience UNESCO World Heritage Sites

Nova Scotia boasts six UNESCO designated sites, including Old Town Lunenburg and Joggins Fossil Cliffs, as well as two biosphere reserves.

Take in the Bay of Fundy

Nova Scotians now know how to make the most of the highest tides in the world. Delegates can enjoy scenic walk or even a 5-course meal on the ocean floor or for those who want to pick up the pace, hop in a Zodiac and ride the waves of Tidal Bore followed by mud-sliding.

Explore the Cape Breton Highlands

Experience the beautiful Cape Breton Highlands as you drive the famous Cabot Trail. This 298 km (186 mi) highway weaves through The Highlands National Park, rewarding travelers with spectacular foliage and coastal views, with delicious cafes and artisan shops to peruse all along the way. For the outdoorsy, the opportunities to hike, golf, bike, kayak, whale watch, or even ski, are plentiful.

Sip & savor in the Annapolis Valley

An agriculture haven, the Annapolis Valley is home to some of Canada's finest food and wine. Including Nova Scotia's signature wine appellation, Tidal Bay. Our cool climate terroir and beautifully lush Annapolis Valley landscapes make for the perfect laid-back and sophisticated location for an extended-stay or group excursion.



Bring the whole family!

Halifax is the perfect destination to host events and families. In fact, we have a [Kids Guide](#) full of exciting options that are fun for everyone.



Feed their minds at the Discovery Centre



Let them run wild at our many parks or beaches



Experience something new on the waterfront



PROPOSAL

VENUE – Halifax Convention Centre

HALIFAX CONVENTION CENTRE

A boutique-style convention centre with 120,000 sq.ft. of flexible event space located in the heart of downtown.

This new building in downtown Halifax is a popular spot for locals and visitors, offering over 120,000 square feet of event space. The 30,000-square-foot ballroom has a stunning city view, while nearly 50,000 square feet of convention space can accommodate multiple purposes. Located on bustling Argyle Street, it is conveniently surrounded by various hotels and within walking distance of the city's restaurants and nightlife. It's the jewel in Halifax's convention-and-meeting-spaces crown.

THE SPACE:

- 120,000+ square feet of flexible event space easily accommodating up to 3000 attendees.
- Located adjacent to four hotels with eight other properties within a 1- minute walk.
- Can divide into two independent convention levels, allowing for privacy and optimal traffic flow during multiple events.
- The Ballroom and most breakout rooms include natural light and overlook Halifax's Historic Downtown

THE LOCATION:

The HCC is in the center of downtown Halifax:

- Your delegates can walk to all hotels, restaurants, activities, bars, etc. – there is no need for transportation logistics.
- Located 100 steps from the ocean and our stunning waterfront boardwalk.
- Just outside the door, you'll be in the middle of Halifax's nightlife, dining, and entertainment.

THE PRICE:

Top-line pricing is as follows. Please refer to the detailed proposal document for full details:

- \$CAD Proposed Rental Charge: \$137,740 (\$97,960.69 USD)
- \$CAD Proposed Rental Charge with F&B Discount: \$119,740 (\$85,159 USD)

Complete Proposal Document:

<https://files.idss.com/public/C281/c2de7c2b-f707-435c-bff5-1d2e108b3d85.pdf>

HCC Details & 3D Scan:

<https://businesseventshalifax.com/plan/venues-facilities/halifax-convention-centre>



VENUE

Inclusions in rate:

- Complimentary Wi-Fi in all meeting & public areas
- Wired internet connection for the conference office and registration area.
- Complimentary Staff Office
- Complimentary Stage Risers (Club Chairs to be supplied by Global Convention Services)
- Complimentary Podium (Microphone(s) & additional AV to be supplied by Encore)

Technology

The Halifax Convention Centre is equipped with the latest technology to support all your event needs. The centre offers:

- **iPlan:** An interactive planning tool that helps you navigate the centre's spaces, create custom floor plans, and collaborate with the event management team.
- **Wi-Fi:** High-speed internet access is available in all booked areas at the rate of 30 Mbps per device.
- **Encore Canada:** As the official in-house partner for audiovisual, lighting, and digital sign software and support, Encore Canada ensures that all technical aspects of your event are handled professionally. They also provide exclusive rigging services, ensuring the highest standards of safety and functionality.

Sustainability

The Halifax Convention Centre is committed to sustainability and has integrated various eco-friendly practices into its operations. The venue adheres to Halifax's climate plan, HalifACT 2050, which focuses on reducing carbon emissions and promoting sustainable development. Key initiatives include:

- **Local Sourcing:** The centre's award-winning culinary team prioritizes locally sourced ingredients, supporting local producers and reducing the carbon footprint associated with food transportation.
- **Waste Reduction:** Comprehensive recycling and composting programs are in place to minimize waste, and the centre is dedicated to continuous improvement in sustainable event practices.
- **Energy Efficiency:** The building is designed to be energy-efficient, with advanced systems in place to reduce energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions.



ACCOMMODATIONS

6500+ OPTIONS ARE STANDING BY!



Halifax is well-equipped to accommodate the needs of delegates attending FIG Working Week in 2029. The city offers a diverse range of hotels that cater to various preferences and requirements, ensuring that all attendees will find suitable lodging options.

- **Proximity to Downtown Attractions:**

- Many hotels in Halifax are within walking distance of the city's vibrant downtown area. Delegates will have easy access to restaurants, shops, cultural sites, and the picturesque waterfront, allowing them to explore and enjoy the city's charm during their stay.

- **Amenities and Views:**

- For those who prioritize amenities, Halifax offers hotels with harbour views, modern fitness centers, and other luxury facilities. Delegates can enjoy stunning vistas of the Halifax Harbour while maintaining their fitness routines in state-of-the-art workout spaces.

- **Historical and Unique Options:**

- Halifax also boasts several historic hotels that provide a unique and character-rich experience. These properties offer a blend of historic charm and modern comfort, adding a memorable touch to the conference experience.

PROPOSAL

ACCOMMODATIONS – OPT 1

Accommodation – Property Overview and Notes:

Each of the following properties has expressed an interest in hosting your delegates during your conference in Halifax:

Partner	Fri 4/6 2029	Sat 4/7 2029	Sun 4/8 2029	Mon 4/9 2029	Tue 4/10 2029	Wed 4/11 2029	Thu 4/12 2029
Total Nightly Room Block	500	950	1,055	1,065	1,065	1,065	1,065
Atlantica Hotel Halifax	5	10	15	25	25	25	25
	Price Year: 2029	Guarantee: No 0%	Single: \$184.00	Double: \$184.00	Triple: \$204.00	Quad: \$224.00	
Cambridge Suites Hotel Halifax	25	75	100	100	100	100	100
				Price Year: 2024	Guarantee: Variable 5%	Flat: \$239.00	
Four Points by Sheraton Halifax	50	75	100	100	100	100	100
				Price Year: 2029	Guarantee: Fixed 0%	Flat: \$199.00	
Hampton Inn by Hilton - Halifax Downtown	50	120	120	120	120	120	120
				Price Year: 2029	Guarantee: Variable 5%	Flat: \$209.00	
Homewood Suites by Hilton Halifax Downtown	50	70	70	70	70	70	70
				Price Year: 2029	Guarantee: Variable 5%	Flat: \$229.00	
Lord Nelson Hotel & Suites	50	150	150	150	150	150	150
				Price Year: 2025	Guarantee: Variable 5%	Flat: \$209.00	
Moxy Halifax Downtown Hotel	50	80	80	80	80	80	80
				Price Year: 2029	Guarantee: Fixed 0%	Flat: \$180.00	
Prince George Hotel	25	75	100	100	100	100	100
				Price Year: 2024	Guarantee: Variable 5%	Flat: \$259.00	
Residence Inn by Marriott	45	45	45	45	45	45	45
				Price Year: 2029	Guarantee: Fixed 0%	Flat: \$249.00	
The Barrington Hotel	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
				Price Year: 2029	Guarantee: Fixed 100%	Flat: \$284.00	
The Hollis Halifax - a DoubleTree Suites by Hilton	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
				Price Year: 2024	Guarantee: Fixed 0%	Flat: \$199.00	
The Sutton Place Hotel Halifax	50	150	175	175	175	175	175
				Price Year: 2024	Guarantee: Fixed 0%	Flat: \$285.00	

PROPOSAL

ACCOMMODATIONS – OPT2

Partner	Fri 5/25 2029	Sat 5/26 2029	Sun 5/27 2029	Mon 5/28 2029	Tue 5/29 2029	Wed 5/30 2029	Thu 5/31 2029
Total Nightly Room Block	600	1,060	1,315	1,325	1,325	1,325	1,325
Atlantica Hotel Halifax	5	10	15	25	25	25	25
	Price Year: 2029	Guarantee: No 0%	Single: \$199.00	Double: \$199.00	Triple: \$219.00	Quad: \$239.00	
Cambridge Suites Hotel Halifax	25	75	100	100	100	100	100
				Price Year: 2024	Guarantee: Variable 5%	Flat: \$239.00	
Four Points by Sheraton Halifax	50	75	100	100	100	100	100
				Price Year: 2029	Guarantee: Fixed 0%	Flat: \$249.00	
Hampton Inn by Hilton - Halifax Downtown	50	75	75	75	75	75	75
				Price Year: 2029	Guarantee: Variable 5%	Flat: \$239.00	
Homewood Suites by Hilton Halifax Downtown	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
				Price Year: 2029	Guarantee: Variable 5%	Flat: \$259.00	
Lord Nelson Hotel & Suites	50	75	75	75	75	75	75
				Price Year: 2025	Guarantee: Variable 5%	Flat: \$249.00	
Moxy Halifax Downtown Hotel	50	80	80	80	80	80	80
				Price Year: 2029	Guarantee: Fixed 0%	Flat: \$224.00	
Prince George Hotel	25	75	100	100	100	100	100
				Price Year: 2024	Guarantee: Variable 5%	Flat: \$259.00	
Residence Inn by Marriott	45	45	45	45	45	45	45
				Price Year: 2029	Guarantee: Fixed 0%	Flat: \$269.00	
The Barrington Hotel	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
				Price Year: 2029	Guarantee: Fixed 100%	Flat: \$289.00	
The Hollis Halifax - a DoubleTree Suites by Hilton	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
				Price Year: 2024	Guarantee: Fixed 0%	Flat: \$219.00	
The Sutton Place Hotel Halifax	50	150	175	175	175	175	175
				Price Year: 2024	Guarantee: Fixed 0%	Flat: \$309.00	
Courtyard by Marriott Halifax Downtown	--	--	50	50	50	50	50
				Price Year: 2029	Guarantee: Fixed 0%	Flat: \$269.00	
Dalhousie Event & Conference Services	50	150	250	250	250	250	250
				Price Year: 2029	Guarantee: Fixed 0%	Flat: \$87.95	
Halifax Marriott Harbourfront	50	100	100	100	100	100	100
				Price Year: 2029	Guarantee: Fixed 650%	Flat: \$359.00	

Halifax's Downtown Core

In downtown Halifax, our hotels and convention centre are steps away from restaurants, exhibits and sights. Easily sneak away between meeting sessions to take a call in your room, enjoy our scenic waterfront boardwalk, or explore the citadel fortress built in 1856 nestled at the top of the city.



Legend

- Green spaces & Parks
- Shopping Areas
- Pedway System
- Waterfront Highlights
- Waterfront Boardwalk

Downtown Hotels & Convention Spaces

- | | |
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| 1. Atlantica Hotel Halifax | 11. Homewood Suites by Hilton Halifax Downtown |
| 2. The Barrington Hotel | 12. Hotel Halifax |
| 3. Cambridge Suites Hotel Halifax | 13. Lord Nelson Hotel & Suites |
| 4. Courtyard by Marriott Halifax Downtown | 14. Moxy Halifax Downtown |
| 5. Dalhousie University | 15. Muir Halifax |
| 6. Four Points by Sheraton Halifax | 16. The Prince George Hotel |
| 7. Halifax Convention Centre | 17. Residence Inn by Marriott |
| 8. Halifax Marriott Harbourfront Hotel | 18. The Sutton Place Hotel Halifax |
| 9. Hampton Inn by Hilton Halifax Downtown | 19. The Westin Nova Scotian |
| 10. The Hollis Halifax - DoubleTree Suites by Hilton | |

Attractions

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|--|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Ambassadors | 10. Halifax Public Gardens |
| 2. Alexander Keith's Brewery | 11. Harbour Watercraft Tours |
| 3. Art Gallery of NS | 12. J Farwell Sailing Tours |
| 4. Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21 | 13. Maritime Museum of the Atlantic |
| 5. Casino NS | 14. Museum of Natural History |
| 6. Discovery Centre | 15. Neptune Theatre |
| 7. Halifax Central Library | 16. Point Pleasant Park |
| 8. Halifax Citadel, National Historic Site | 17. Scotiabank Centre |
| 9. Halifax Ferry Terminal | 18. Seaport Farmers' Market (Pier 23) |

Accommodations – Property Descriptions, Links & Detailed Proposals

SUTTON PLACE HOTEL HALIFAX



Attached to Halifax Convention Centre

The Sutton Place Hotel represents the height of luxury accommodations with tasteful elegance, classically refined décor, and warm and inviting staff. From handcrafted furnishings to silk tapestries and premium bedding, every detail has been considered. Enjoy onsite dining and underground parking.

Hotel Proposal Document:

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Hotel Details & 3D Scan:

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RESIDENCE INN BY MARRIOTT HALIFAX



30-Second walk to HCC

The property boasts a rooftop patio with BBQ and offers 903 square feet of meeting space. Each of the 92 spacious suites includes a fully-equipped kitchen, well-lit workspaces, and flat-screen TVs. A complimentary hot breakfast buffet, WI-FI, grocery shopping service, and The Residence Inn Mix will complete your Residence Inn by Marriott experience.

Hotel Proposal Document:

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Hotel Details & 3D Scan:

<https://businesseventshalifax.com/plan/accommodations/residence-inn-marriott>



THE PRINCE GEORGE HOTEL



1-minute walk to HCC

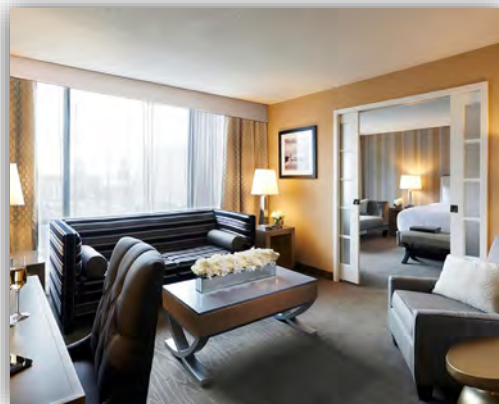
Experience the sophistication and charm of The Prince George Hotel, from the moment you arrive to the time you check out—you'll love the Four Diamond service and impeccably appointed accommodations. The alluring range of onsite comforts help transform your Halifax experience into something truly extraordinary.

Hotel Proposal Document:

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Hotel Details & 3D Scan:

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Accommodations – Property Descriptions, Links & Detailed Proposals

CAMBRIDGE SUITES HOTEL



2-minute walk to HCC

Roomy suites and the fast and friendly service of our up-casual hotel keep you feeling at home. The perfectly central location is next to the famed Citadel Hill with access to nightlife, galleries, theatres, museums, public gardens, and walking distance to the waterfront.

Hotel Proposal Document:

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Hotel Details & 3D Scan:

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FOUR POINTS BY SHERATON



4-Minute walk to HCC

The Four Points Halifax offers renovated guest rooms, open-air courtyard, and versatile meeting space. Located in the heart of downtown, the hotel is just one block from the waterfront and within walking distance of the Halifax Convention Centre, Halifax Citadel, and everything downtown offers.

Hotel Proposal Document:

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Hotel Details & 3D Scan:

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COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT



5-Minute walk to HCC

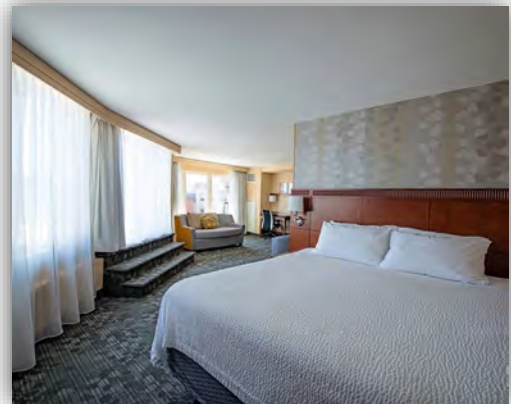
The new state-of-the-art lobby and renovated rooms, the Courtyard by Marriott Halifax Downtown provides greater flexibility and choices for our guests. Find peace of mind at our on-site spa or cherish your evening from our rooftop terrace with unrivaled views.

Hotel Proposal Document:

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Hotel Details & 3D Scan:

<https://businesseventshalifax.com/plan/accommodations/courtyard-marriott-halifax-downtown>



Accommodations – Property Descriptions, Links & Detailed Proposals

THE BARRINGTON HOTEL



8-Minute walk to HCC

The historic façade and animated, kilt-clad bellman are your first hint that The Barrington Hotel is anything but typical. This modern property is only steps away from the Casino Nova Scotia and the Halifax Convention Centre. It offers a pool and fitness facilities, a complimentary business center, and TEMPO Food + Drink.

Hotel Proposal Document:

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Hotel Details & 3D Scan:

<https://businesseventshalifax.com/plan/accommodations/barrington-hotel>



HOLLIS HALIFAX, DOUBLETREE BY HILTON



8-Minute walk to HCC

At the heart of downtown Halifax, our suites are near the waterfront boardwalk, restaurants, shopping, museums, and entertainment. Every stay starts with a warm DoubleTree cookie, and our hotel features a fitness center and indoor pool.

Hotel Proposal Document:

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Hotel Details & 3D Scan:

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HAMPTON INN & HOMEWOOD SUITES BY HILTON

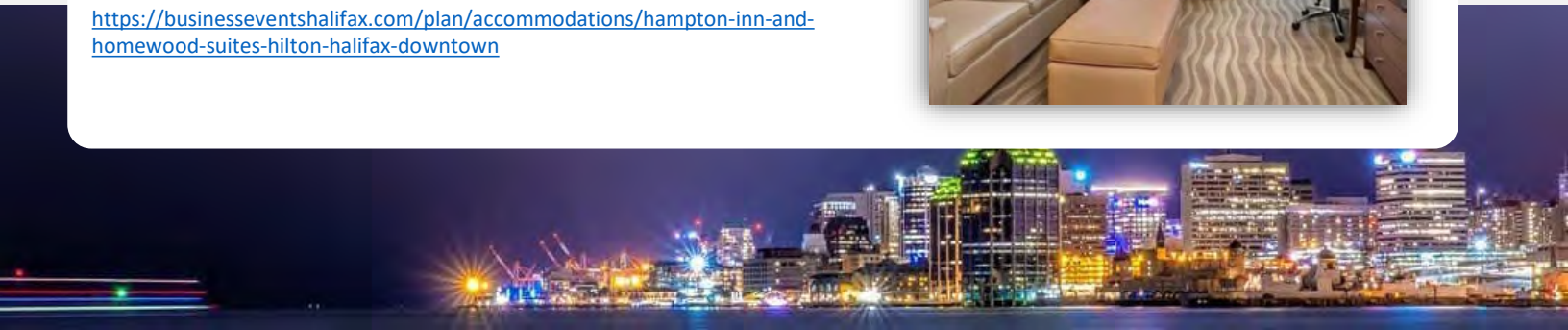


9-minute walk to the Convention Centre

Situated at the base of the Halifax Citadel National Historic Site, you're within walking distance of all downtown Halifax's amenities. The Hampton Inn and Homewood Suites offer guests a complimentary breakfast.

Hotel Details & 3D Scan:

<https://businesseventshalifax.com/plan/accommodations/hampton-inn-and-homewood-suites-hilton-halifax-downtown>



Accommodations – Property Descriptions, Links & Detailed Proposals

HALIFAX MARRIOTT HARBOURFRONT HOTEL ★★★★★

11-minute walk to HCC

The Halifax Marriott Harbourfront is right on the water, in the north end of downtown—which means you're seconds from the boardwalk, and a short walk to the Halifax Convention Centre and all of downtown's attractions. In 2020/21, the property undertook and completed a \$10 Million renovation and update.

Hotel Proposal Document:

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Hotel Details & 3D Scan:

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THE LORD NELSON HOTEL ★★★★★

12-minute walk to HCC

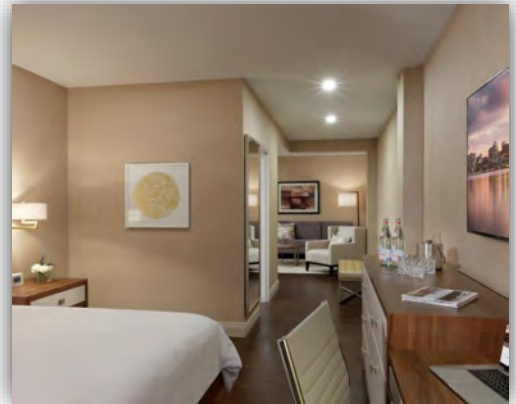
Just steps away from bustling Spring Garden Road, a property that artfully blends contemporary design with landmark elegance while preserving the historic charm of this Maritime destination. Enjoy the luxurious styling of flooring that frames plush carpeting in pale marble, custom moldings that set off the sparkling Swarovski chandeliers, and the serene colour palette of soft greys, pearls, and earth tones.

Hotel Proposal Document:

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Hotel Details & 3D Scan:

<https://businesseventshalifax.com/plan/accommodations/lord-nelson-hotel-suites>



THE MOXY HALIFAX by MARRIOTT ★★★★★

15-minute walk to HCC

We are proud to be the first Moxy to open in Canada! Forget everything you know about your traditional hotel experience. Our rooms are full of colors, little surprises, and big delights like walk-in showers, open wall closets, and plenty of space for our furry friends.

Hotel Proposal Document:

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Hotel Details & 3D Scan:

<https://businesseventshalifax.com/plan/accommodations/moxy-halifax-downtown>



Accommodations – Property Descriptions, Links & Detailed Proposals

ATLANTICA HOTEL



15-minute walk to HCC

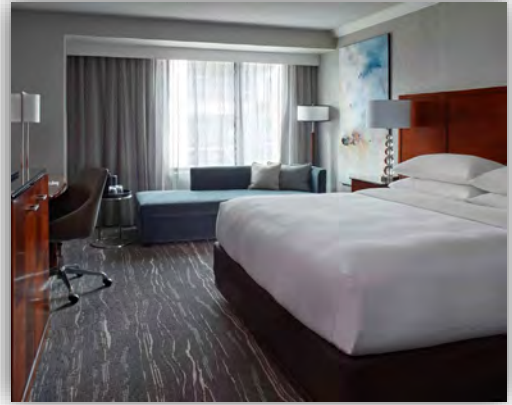
Atlantica Hotel Halifax, a Canada Select 4 Star 230- room hotel, is located in the heart of the city. Executive-level guestrooms, heated underground parking, business centre, fitness centre with indoor pool, free WIFI and exceptional dining options at The Cannery Kitchen & Social round out our service and amenity package..

Hotel Proposal Document:

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Hotel Details & 3D Scan:

<https://businesseventshalifax.com/plan/accommodations/atlantica-hotel-halifax>



Accommodation – University Dorms

Dalhousie University has expressed interest in hosting delegates in dorms. These will be located on the upper campus (Studley Campus) – approximately 10-minutes from the Sexton Campus and 20 minutes from the HCC..

DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY

In addition to the benefit of **affordable rates**, staying in one of our residences ensures your guests are close to meeting and event venues. They'll also have easy access to **campus amenities**, including dining, parking and athletics facilities..

Proposal Document:

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Dormitory Details:

<https://businesseventshalifax.com/plan/venues-facilities/dalhousie-university>





Offsite Venues

Offsite venues provide an opportunity to integrate more of Halifax's unique culture and history into your event. From dinners to receptions or team building, each venue offers something different to your delegates.



**Alexander Keith's
Historic Brewery**
Capacity: 280



**Citadel Hill National
Historic Site**
Capacity: 2600



**Cunard Centre at Pier
23**
Capacity: 1300
Space: 18,000 sq. ft.



**Canadian Museum
of Immigration at
Pier 21**
Capacity: 550



Discovery Centre
Capacity: 800
Space: 40,000 sq. ft.



Casino Nova Scotia
Capacity: 600
Space: 6,000 sq. ft.

Integrate a local organization

Another way to add interest to your Halifax event is to engage a historical or community organization to bring their unique history and traditions to life as part of your agenda. We're confident delegates will walk away educated, entertained, and with a deeper connection to your event and our beautiful city.



SUPPORT WE'RE IN YOUR CORNER

Let us help with that

Our first and only goal is for your Halifax event to be so successful, it becomes the benchmark to which all others are compared. It's why we have people, services, and programs dedicated to helping you plan and organize the most incredible event imaginable.

Bid support

To help you pitch Halifax as a premier meeting destination, we will provide you with customized information on Halifax venues, hotels, accessibility, dining, entertainment, and benefits.

Capacity search

To save you time, we will issue a request for proposals to properties that meet your requirements. Then, we will forward to you the quotes on group guest room blocks and meeting space that we receive.

Event promotion

We can help you boost attendance for your event by helping you promote it. A customizable delegate website, promotional videos, and online image gallery will enhance your conference materials.

Group servicing

Once you've selected Halifax as the location for your event, we'll connect you to a network of local suppliers who offer a wide range of products and services you and our delegates may benefit from.

Economic impact calculator

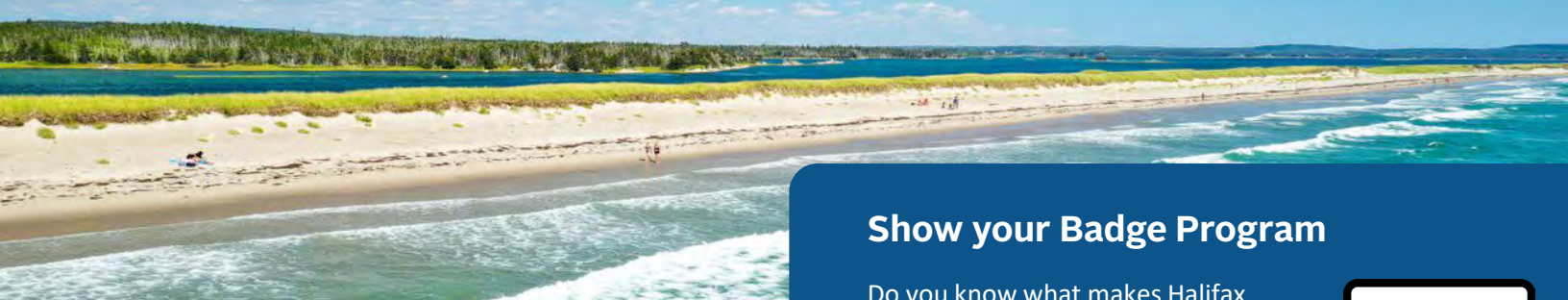


Using the latest data, we can produce an impact analysis of your conference or event to demonstrate just how valuable it will be to the city—and we'll help you communicate this message to stakeholders.

Site inspections

With your direction, we will coordinate a full site inspection of the hotels and facilities that you are considering and book appointments for you with key contacts at each venue.





Your Halifax team representatives

A common purpose unites these experienced and dedicated people—to help make your event a rousing success. Think of us as your boots-on-the-ground partners. We'll put our connections, experience, and local know-how to work for you.

Show your Badge Program

Do you know what makes Halifax experiences even better? Discounts on Halifax experiences! Many shops and local experiences Halifax businesses and restaurants have special offers available to your conference delegates—“Show your Badge” to get rewarded.



<https://discoverhalifaxns.com/showyourbadge/>



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Paul brings over 20 years of sales, marketing, and business development experience to every event he supports.

Contact Paul with questions about this destination proposal, site inspections, introductions with local subject matter experts, additional bid information, or industry/sector information.



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Michele has over 30 years of experience navigating Nova Scotia’s tourism and events sector. Her knowledge will prove incredibly valuable as you plan and execute your event.

Reach out to Michele with questions, attendance building for your event, Halifax collateral, and identifying local vendors or suppliers that will be the right fit.



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APPENDIX



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APPENDIX "A"

Budget



BUDGET FOR FIG WORKING WEEK 2029 - VERSION OF 2029_HALIFAX

Not all areas of expenditure or income may be relevant.

Presumptions

Time: May 27-31/29 or Apr 8-12/29
 Conference days: May 27-31/29 or Apr 8-12/29
 Venue: Halifax Convention Centre
 Price Level: XXXXXXXXXX
 Language: English

EXPENDITURE

	<u>Total EUR</u>	<u>Comments</u>
1. MARKETING/PROMOTION/PUBLICITY		
TOTAL	121,750	
2. VENUE		
TOTAL	91,041	
3. TECHNICAL SUPPORT		
TOTAL	50,676	
4. CATERING		
TOTAL	482,394	
5. EXHIBITION		
TOTAL	8,615	
6. STAFFING		
TOTAL	8,446	
7. PARTICIPANT'S KIT		
TOTAL	24,459	
8. DECORATIONS		
TOTAL	9,459	
9. OPENING CEREMONY		
TOTAL	6,757	
10. HOSTED WELCOME RECEPTION		
TOTAL	6,801	
11. SOCIAL EVENTS - NETWORKING		
TOTAL	230,743	
12. TECHNICAL TOURS TOURS		
TOTAL	0	
13. ACCOMPANYING PERSONS PACKAGE		
TOTAL	0	
14. SITE VISITS - TRAVELS - ACCOMMODATION		
TOTAL	61,541	
15. CONFERENCE MANAGEMENT		
TOTAL	116,000	
16. FIG FOUNDATION FEE		
TOTAL	28,000	

Not all areas of expenditure or income may be relevant.

17 VARIOUS		
TOTAL		0
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		1,246,681
INCOME		
10 € is included in the fees as FIG Foundation Royalties		
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PARTICIPANTS		
TOTAL		885,250
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SPONSOR/EXHIBITION INCOME		
TOTAL		195,946
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SOCIAL EVENTS		
TOTAL		175,000
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TOTAL INCOME		1,256,196
SUMMARY		
Total income		1,256,196
Total expenditure		1,246,681
RESULT		9,515
1 EUR = USD	1.56	
1 USD = EUR		
1 LOC = EUR		
1 EUR = LOC		

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APPENDIX “B”

Sample ICAF Agreement



Legacy potential

GUIDE TO CREATING A LEGACY PLAN

ICAF (International Convention Attraction Fund): Guide to Legacy Impact

International Business Events hosted in Canada can be powerful tools for achieving long-term impact and can leave behind lasting legacies.

As part of the ICAF Application assessment, you are encouraged to develop a Legacy Impact Plan for the business event you are seeking to host, which will earn additional bonus scoring.

The following 5 steps can help you to draft such a strategy in collaboration with your Local Host and/or Local Organizing Committee (word count: min 500 words).

Note:

1. If the Client organization already has an existing legacy plan for the event, please disregard these questions and attach the plan directly.
2. Incorporating indigenous community impact into your legacy plan will earn separate additional scoring.

1

Analysis

What broad societal needs can the event help address?

Think big – work with your local host/local organizing committee to identify a societal impact that can be achieved through this event. Key themes and examples of societal needs can be found in the [next page](#).

2

Objective

What specific outcomes will you seek to achieve through this event?

Build on the analysis by defining specific outcomes from the event that can contribute to long-term impact and addressing broad societal needs.

3

Accountability

Who will be accountable for achieving and reporting on these outcomes?

Identify who will be responsible for project planning and taking the necessary steps to leverage the event and achieve the stated outcomes. This could be the Destination Marketing Organizations (DMOs), the local host, local stakeholders, the event organizer, etc.

4

Implementation

How will you achieve your desired outcomes?

Outline the planned activities you envision in the leadup to the event, during the event, and after the event to achieve the stated outcomes.

5

Evaluation & Dissemination

How will you measure your achievements?

Destination Canada requires a 1-year post-event legacy survey to be completed for applicants that have provided a legacy plan. Identify the main indicators that will demonstrate achievement of or progress towards your stated outcomes 1 year after the event.

The sample partnership agreement below is provided for information only. The final terms and conditions agreed between Destination Canada and the DMO may vary.



**International Convention Attraction Fund
Partnership Agreement**
[Destination Marketing Organization (DMO) Name]

**DMO
Logo**

This Agreement between the Canadian Tourism Commission, dba Destination Canada ("**Destination Canada**") and [Destination Marketing Organization (DMO) Name] (the "**DMO**") made effective the __ date of __, 20___. The Parties agree that this Partnership Agreement, including the terms and conditions attached, form the Agreement between the Parties.

Event Details

<p>Background</p>	<p>Destination Canada is pleased to inform the DMO that to support bringing the (YEAR Client Name (acronym) Meeting Name) (the "Event") to [city], Destination Canada will provide the DMO with financial support under its International Convention Attraction Fund (the "Fund"). These funds will be used by the DMO to – [EXAMPLE - help offset the cost of basic meeting room rental charges at the Convention Centre].</p> <p>The Fund is being financed by the Government of Canada and administered by Destination Canada.</p>
<p>Calculation of Financial Contribution</p>	<p>Destination Canada has committed a maximum of [\$amount] CAD towards the Event (the "Financial Contribution").</p> <p>The total Financial Contribution payable by Destination Canada to the DMO will be determined on a sliding scale, as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If [Actual Delegates] is equal to or greater than [75%] of [Anticipated Delegates], the DMO will receive 100% of the Financial Contribution. 2. If [Actual Delegates] is equal to or greater than [50%] of [Anticipated Delegates] but less than [75%], the DMO will receive the equivalent percentage of the Financial Contribution. 3. If [Actual Delegates] is less than [50%] of [Anticipated Delegates], the DMO will not receive any portion of the Financial Contribution. <p>Definitions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. "Anticipated Delegates" means the total number of anticipated delegates projected to attend the Event, as listed in the DMO's Fund application. b. "Actual Delegates" means the total number of delegates who attended at least one day of the Event. Delegates who register but do not attend the Event are not included. <p>Example:</p> <p><i>Financial Contribution (maximum) = \$100,000</i></p> <p><i>Anticipated Delegates = 2,200</i></p> <p><i>Actual Delegates = 1,320 (60% of Anticipated Delegates)</i></p> <p><i>Financial Contribution (payable) = \$60,000</i></p>

<p>Funding Conditions</p>	<p>The Financial Contribution will be released to the DMO once determined in accordance with the above criteria and once all of the following Funding Conditions have been met:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Event having been held in [the City], on or before [xxxx] [and having satisfied the following criteria]: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) [list any other mandatory criteria for the event to qualify]. 2. Delivery to Destination Canada of a Post-Event Report within 90 days of the end of the Event, [insert date] (the "Event Date"), including: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) summary of the Event background (b) detailed demonstration that the Funding Conditions have been met, including the attendance numbers required to calculate the Financial Contribution payable. (c) [INSERT DELIVERABLES] summary of Room Attendee origin or residence; city, prov/state, country, and hotel room pick up. (eg. International attendees) <p>Destination Canada will have 90 days to review the Post-Event Report to confirm the contents, the amount of the Financial Contribution owing and satisfaction of all Funding Conditions.</p> <p>(collectively the "Funding Conditions")</p> <p>Failure to meet any of these Funding Conditions prior to the applicable date will result in Destination Canada revoking its commitment to advance the Financial Contribution.</p>
<p>Legacy Reporting</p>	<p>[Include if Applicable]: The DMO agrees to prepare a one-year Legacy Report for Destination Canada to report on any outcomes planned in its original application. Destination Canada will be responsible for providing a reporting form to the DMO. The DMO will have 90 days to complete the report once received and will cooperate with Destination Canada in the preparation of the report.</p>
<p>Payment Details</p>	<p>The calculated Financial Contribution will be payable to the DMO [or to the DMO's designated recipient, [name of organization] (the "Designated Recipient") upon satisfaction of all Funding Conditions and approval of the Post-Event Report.</p> <p>The DMO will be responsible for invoicing Destination Canada [or causing the Designated Recipient to invoice Destination Canada] on receipt of Destination Canada's confirmation that the DMO has met all Funding Conditions and the Post-Event Report is approved. The invoice will be payable by Destination Canada within 60 days of receipt.</p>

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the Effective Date.

DMO Representative Name:
Job Title:
Date:
Email:

Name:
Job Title:
Destination Canada
Date:

Terms and Conditions

1. Definitions:

1.1 The following terms used in this Agreement shall have the following meanings:

- a) **"Agreement"** means the Event Details commencing on page 1 of this Agreement, these Terms and Conditions, any schedules to this Agreement and any amendments made in accordance with this Agreement.
- b) **"Applicable Laws"** mean all applicable requirements, laws, statutes, codes, acts, ordinances, approvals, orders, decrees, injunctions, by-laws, rules, regulations, official plans, permits, licences, authorizations, directions, and agreements with all authorities that now or at any time hereafter may be applicable to either this Agreement, the Fund, the Event or any part of them.
- c) **"Confidential Information"** means all information, knowledge, data, technical information, know-how or property which is related to the terms of this Agreement, including the terms of this Agreement itself, research and development activities, product and marketing plans, government strategies, customer, partner and supplier information, financial affairs, and all information of a Party that is of a confidential nature, including all confidential information in the custody or control of the Party, regardless of whether it is identified as confidential or not, and whether recorded or not, and however fixed, stored, expressed or embodied, which comes into the knowledge, possession or control of the other Party in connection with this Agreement. Confidential Information does not include information that: (a) is or becomes generally available to the public through no fault of the receiving Party, or (b) was in its possession or known by the receiving Party prior to receipt from the disclosing Party, or (c) was rightfully disclosed to the receiving Party without restriction by a third party, or (d) was independently developed by the receiving Party as evidenced by the receiving Party.
- d) **"Funding Conditions"** means the conditions identified in the Event Details that must be met in order for the DMO to receive the Financial Contribution.
- e) **"Financial Contribution"** means the amount payable by Destination Canada to the DMO as calculated in accordance with the Event Details.
- f) **"Intellectual Property Rights"** means all intellectual property rights including, without limitation, any copyright, patent, trademark or trade secret, concepts, techniques, ideas, information, documentation, derivative works and any other materials, however recorded, and developed, whether registered or unregistered.
- g) **"Parties"** means Destination Canada and the DMO and **"Party"** means either one of them.
- h) **"Payment Details"** means the payment details set out in the Event Details.

2. Funding

2.1 The DMO has applied for, and Destination Canada has approved, payment of the Financial Contribution to the DMO under the Fund, subject to the completion of the Funding Conditions and the terms of this Agreement.

2.2 Payment of the Financial Contribution will be made following Destination Canada's receipt of an invoice, in accordance with the Payment Details.

3. Reporting

3.1 The DMO will comply with all reporting obligations set out in this Agreement. In addition, the DMO will provide interim reports on the progress of the Event and the status of the Funding Conditions where reasonably requested by Destination Canada, together with such supporting documentation as may be reasonably required.

3.2 The DMO grants Destination Canada the right to utilize and publish portions of the Post-Event Report and Legacy Report identified in the Event Details for matters related to the Fund.

4. Termination Date

4.1 This Agreement shall terminate 180 days following the Event Date or earlier in the event of termination pursuant to this Agreement.

4.2 Destination Canada may terminate this Agreement immediately if:

- a) the Event is cancelled for any reason;
- b) the DMO fails to meet any one or more of the Funding Conditions by the specified dates;
- c) the DMO fails to comply with the terms and conditions of this Agreement or any other agreement it has with Destination Canada, provided that Destination Canada provides the DMO with notice of such non-compliance and the Organization fails to correct such non-compliance within 10 business days; or
- d) in Destination Canada's reasonable opinion, circumstances arise in relation to the DMO or the Event that would make Destination Canada's continued involvement with the Event likely to cause material damage to the reputation, image or goodwill of Destination Canada.

4.3 The DMO may terminate this Agreement on 30 days prior notice to Destination Canada.

4.4 In the event this Agreement is terminated under sections 4.2 or 4.3, Destination Canada will not be required to advance the Financial Contribution to the DMO. If the Financial Contribution has been paid to the DMO and this Agreement is terminated under sections 4.2 or 4.3, the DMO shall immediately repay the Financial Contribution to Destination Canada.

5. Non-Appropriation

- 5.1 Any payment to be made by Destination Canada is subject to there being an appropriation by the Parliament of Canada for the fiscal year in which the payment is to be made. If the appropriation is changed by Parliament or if funds are not available for any other reason, the Financial Contribution may be reduced or this Agreement terminated, by notice sent to the DMO.

6. Representations, Warranties and Covenants

- 6.1 Each Party represents and warrants that it has full power and authority to carry on its business and to enter into this Agreement and any agreement or instrument referred to or contemplated by this Agreement and to carry out and perform all of its obligations and duties hereunder and thereunder.

7. Audit Rights

- 7.1 The DMO shall maintain separate, full and proper books of accounts, records, contracts paper correspondence, invoices for the conduct of the Event.
- 7.2 Destination Canada shall have the right to verify the DMO's obligations under this Agreement, including the calculation of the Financial Contribution and satisfactory completion of the Funding Conditions, and the DMO agrees to cooperate in providing necessary documentation for verification purposes. Such documentation may include official attendance records, contracts, registration and attendance reports, and any other documentation reasonably required by Destination Canada.
- 7.3 Destination Canada's obligations and liability under this Agreement are strictly limited to the payment of the Financial Contribution. The DMO assumes full financial responsibility for the Event.

8. Confidentiality

- 8.1 Each Party agrees that information shared by other Parties to this Agreement in connection with this Agreement, the Event or the Fund is the Confidential Information of the originating Party and, except as expressly permitted in this Agreement, will not be disclosed to any third party without the prior written consent of the originating Party or where required by law. Each Party shall protect the Confidential Information with a reasonable degree of care, including employing industry standard security procedures to prevent unauthorized disclosure of Confidential Information and not use the Confidential Information except for the purposes related to this Agreement, or as otherwise agreed in writing.

9. Publicity

- 9.1 Destination Canada shall have the right to publicly disclose the fact that the parties have entered into this Agreement and the Financial Contribution particulars in connection with the Fund. The DMO grants to Destination Canada the right to use the DMO's logo in connection with such publicity.
- 9.2 Where Destination Canada's public relations and communications teams, and its associated federal government department, want to publicize the DMO's use of this Agreement and the Fund, the DMO will work with Destination Canada's public relations and communications teams, and its associated federal government department, to publicize this Agreement and the Fund.
- 9.3 The DMO shall not publicly disclose the details of this Agreement without the prior consent of Destination Canada, not to be unreasonably withheld.
- 9.4 For any public announcements by the DMO about the Event (press releases, fact sheets, blog posts, etc.), the DMO must include language, to be provided by Destination Canada, that highlights Destination Canada's support. Where the DMO's logo appears in such announcement, Destination Canada's logo will be included alongside and the DMO's logo unless otherwise directed by Destination Canada.

10. Intellectual Property

- 10.1 Each Party acknowledges that the other owns and shall own all right, title and interest in and to its Intellectual Property. Neither Party shall use any Intellectual Property of the other Party without the prior written consent of an authorized representative of such Party. In the case of trademarks, whether registered or unregistered, where prior consent to use such trademarks has been granted, all use will be in accordance with the terms hereof and the brand guidelines of the Party owning such trademarks and in a manner as to sufficiently protect and preserve all the rights of such Party in the trademarks. When written consent to use trademarks by a Party is provided, the other Party will be granted a non-exclusive, royalty free, fully paid up right and license to use, reproduce and distribute the trademarks in question for the purposes underlying this Agreement only and to authorize other persons of the other Party, including agents, contractors or personnel to do any of the former on behalf of the other Party.

11. Indemnity

- 11.1 The DMO agrees to indemnify and save harmless Destination Canada from and against all claims, losses, damages, actions, payments, judgements or settlements of any kind brought against or recovered from Destination Canada in any manner directly or indirectly caused, in whole or in part by, any act, omission, fault or negligence of the DMO, or of anyone acting under its direction or control or on its behalf in connection with the Event.

12. Insurance

- 12.1 Each Party agrees to obtain and maintain appropriate public liability and casualty insurance, or adequate levels of self-insurance, to insure against any liability caused by that Party's obligations under this Agreement.

12.2 The DMO shall maintain commercial general liability insurance in accordance with this Agreement and shall name Destination Canada as an additional insured with respect to the Event and the activities being carried on by the DMO in connection with the Event.

13. Amendments

13.1 Each Party agrees that any change to this Agreement, including but not limited to the Event Details, subsequent to the execution of this Agreement will be documented by way of an amendment executed by all Parties prior to such change occurring.

14. Notices

14.1 Any notice, demand or other communication required between any Party hereunder shall be in writing and delivered to by registered mail or email as follows:

- a) If to the DMO, to the person identified in the Event Details section as the DMO Representative;
- b) If to Destination Canada, to:
Robert McCreight, Director of Business Events
800 - 1045 Howe St., 8th Floor
Vancouver, BC V6Z 2A9
mccreight.robert@destinationcanada.com

14.2 Any notice sent by registered mail shall be deemed to have been received by the Party to whom it was addressed on the second mail delivery day following the day on which it was posted. Any notice sent by e-mail shall be deemed to have been received by the Party to whom it was addressed on the day on which it was sent if sent prior to 5:00 pm PST or if sent after 5:00 pm PST, the following business day. No Saturday, Sunday, or statutory holiday shall be considered a business day. Either Party may change its notice for addresses upon providing the other Party of notice of such change.

15. Governing Law and Dispute Resolution

15.1 This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of British Columbia and the Applicable Laws of Canada without giving effect to any choice of conflict of law provision or rule.

15.2 In the event of any dispute, claim, question or difference arising out of or relating to this Agreement, the Parties hereto shall use their best endeavours to settle such disputes, claims, questions or differences. To this effect, they shall negotiate with each other, in good faith and understanding of their mutual interest, to reach a just and equitable resolution satisfactorily. If a dispute arises that the Parties' representatives for this Agreement are unable to resolve, the Parties will refer the dispute to their Vice-President or higher authority (the "Senior Representatives") to resolve the dispute. If the Senior Representatives are unable to resolve the dispute within thirty (30) days, then either party may refer the dispute to final and binding arbitration in accordance with the then-current rules of the Vancouver International Arbitration Centre ("Arbitration Authority") and the provisions hereof by delivering written notice of its intent (the "Notice of Arbitration"). The following provisions will govern any arbitration hereunder:

- a) the place of arbitration will be Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, and all proceedings and communications will be in English;
- b) the arbitration will be conducted by a single independent arbitrator agreed to by the parties within 20 days of the Notice of Arbitration. If parties are unable or fail to agree an arbitrator, the arbitrator will be appointed by the Arbitration Authority;
- c) the Parties shall each bear their own legal costs and expenses of the arbitration and the party that does not prevail in the arbitration proceeding will pay the arbitrator's fees, unless the arbitrators otherwise so determine;
- d) judgment on the arbitration award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof; and
- e) The arbitration procedures, hearings, documents and award shall remain strictly confidential between the parties.

15.3 Nothing in section 15.2 shall prohibit a Party from seeking interim injunctive relief before a court of competent jurisdiction for a breach or threatened breach of any provision of this Agreement.

16. Compliance

16.1 Each Party shall comply with all Applicable Laws that may apply in carrying out activities under this Agreement.

16.2 As a federal Crown Corporation, Destination Canada is subject to the *Official Languages Act* (Canada). While both French and English are official languages of the Government of Canada, the Parties agree that this Agreement shall be in written in English.

16.3 Each Party acknowledges and agrees that the other Party is subject to legislation that provides access to information and protects privacy, including *Access to Information Act* (Canada) and the *Privacy Act* (Canada) and that such legislation may require the disclosure of records pertaining to the Initiative to third parties if in the custody or control of that Party.

17. Force Majeure

17.1 Neither Party shall be liable for the late performance under this Agreement due to matters beyond that Party's control preventing timely performance including, but not limited to, such matters as acts of God, strikes, riots, acts of terrorism, civil insurrection, or war. The Party prevented from performing under this Agreement shall

immediately notify the other Party of the matter preventing its performance and the probable length of the delay. The time for the postponing Party's performance under this Agreement shall be suspended for the duration of the matter. The postponing Party agrees in such circumstances to use its best efforts to recover the time lost, as quickly as the Party is able to, utilizing all resources reasonably required in the circumstances, including services from other sources. If an event of force majeure continues for longer than forty-five (45) days from receipt of notification of force majeure, the Party waiting for the postponing Party may exercise the right to terminate this Agreement on written notice to the postponing Party, in which the termination will take effect immediately upon such notice.

18. General

- 18.1 Time shall be of the essence of this Agreement and of every part thereof.
- 18.2 Each of the Parties acknowledges and agrees that they are acting independently and that none of the Parties are employees, agents, partners, joint venturers or representatives of each other for the purposes of binding any other Party through any contract, communication or action to any third party, unless expressly provided by this Agreement. Any reference to "partner" or "partnering" in the conduct of business or otherwise is used in the context of marketing terminology to reflect the joint contributions of the parties for the purposes outlined in this Agreement, and not in its legal sense or application.
- 18.3 This Agreement and the rights of any Party hereto may not be assigned without the prior written consent of all other Parties hereto.
- 18.4 No waiver by either Party of any provision of this Agreement shall be binding unless made by an authorized person and confirmed by the waiving Party in writing; and no waiver so given shall, unless otherwise expressly stated, thereafter restrict or limit in any way the waiving Party's right to enforce any term or condition of this Agreement or to exercise in the future any power, right or remedy accorded to it by this Agreement.
- 18.5 The Parties agree and undertake to execute and deliver to each other such additional instruments and to take such additional steps as may be required to give full effect to the intent expressed in this Agreement.
- 18.6 The invalidity in whole or in part of any term or condition of this Agreement shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Agreement, and this Agreement will be construed and interpreted as if such illegal, invalid or unenforceable provision had never been part of this Agreement.
- 18.7 The rights and obligations contained in sections 3, 8, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16.3 and 17 shall continue to bind the Parties notwithstanding the expiration or earlier termination for any reason of this Agreement, together with any other provisions intended by their nature to survive.
- 18.8 This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be an original, but all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- 18.9 This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties hereto pertaining to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, understandings, negotiations and discussions, whether oral or written, of the Parties and there are no warranties, representations or other agreements between the Parties in connection with the subject matter hereof except as specifically set forth herein.

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