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## **Auditing Association of Canada 2018 Conference, Workshops and Annual General Meeting**

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April 23-25, 2018

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## AAC President's Welcome Message

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As the President of the Auditing Association of Canada (AAC) and the current Chairman of this year's Conference Organizing Committee (COC), it is my distinct pleasure to welcome all of you to this year's annual AAC Conference in beautiful Kananaskis, Alberta.

A huge thank you to all of our COC members for their considerable efforts to organize yet another memorable conference, which promises to be one of our best ever.

A special thank you to all of our Speakers who have willingly volunteered to share with us their experiences in topics involving Environmental, Health & Safety and Risk Management. Our conference continues to address topics that are at the forefront of our profession and are of significant interest to our members and those attending.

We hope you engage, learn, interact and enjoy this year's conference and we thank you for your continued support.

**Sincerely,**

Peter Beukema, P. Eng., EP(CEA), EP(EMSLA)

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Steve Hounsell, President  
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# Conference and Workshop Schedule

## April 23, 2018

7:15 - 8:15     **Registration**

7:30 - 8:15     **Breakfast**

8:15 - 8:30     Welcome from AAC President, Peter Beukema

8:30 - 9:00     Keynote Speaker – **Deputy Minister Eric Denhoff, Alberta Environment and Parks, Updates of Alberta’s Climate Change and Sustainability Initiatives**

9:00 - 10:30   **Session 1 - Regulatory Landscape Developments – Changes and Implications**

This Session will focus on recent proposed changes to EHS legislation and the implications of these changes

Speaker 1 -     Environmental Regulatory Changes, JoAnn Jamieson, *McLennan Ross LLP*

Speaker 2 -     Amendments to Alberta’s OHS: More Roles, More Obligations, Many More Pitfalls, Steve T. Eichler, *Field LLP*

10:30 - 10:45   Refreshment/Networking Break

10:45 - 12:15   **Session 2 - Infrastructure / Transportation / Construction**

Speaker 1 -     Railway Safety Auditing, Knut Ohm, *Alberta Ministry of Transportation*

Speaker 2 -     Building Disaster Resiliency – Lessons Learned from the Fort McMurray Fire, Michael Capus, Partner, *KPMG*

Speaker 3 -     OHS in Construction, Geza Vargyas, Regional Safety Director, *EllisDon*

12:15 - 13:00   Lunch

13:00 - 14:45   **Session 3 - Stakeholder Engagement / Interested Parties**

13:00 - 13:45   **Featured Speaker - Dean Manywounds, CEO, Stoney/Nakoda Tsuut’ina Tribal Council**



13:45 - 14:15

Speaker - Government of Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment – Environmental Compliance Audit Program, Dave Rezanoff, Manager Compliance, *Ministry of Environment Saskatchewan*

14:15 - 14:45 Exhibitor Presentations

14:45 - 15:00 Refreshment/Networking Break

15:00 - 15:45 **Session 4 - Enforcement / Inspections**

Speaker - BC OHS Workplace Inspections and Enforcement, Bruce Jackson, Workplace Safety Consultant, *Advocate Workplace Safety Services*

15:45 - 16:30 **AGM (AAC Members Only)**

16:00 - 19:00 **Networking Event – Woody's Lounge (Attendees and Guests welcome)**

19:30 - 21:30 Board Dinner (current, new and retiring Board Members)

## April 24, 2018

7:30 - 8:30 **Breakfast**

8:30 - 9:00 **Featured Speaker - Deputy Minister Jody Young, Alberta Ministry of Labour Safe, Fair and Healthy Workplaces, Changes to Alberta's Occupational Health and Safety Regulations and What They Mean to You**

9:00 - 10:30 **Session 5 - Occupational Health & Safety**

Speaker 1 - Compliance vs. Health and Safety Certificate of Recognition (CoR) audits, Kim Sax, President, *KPSA Transportation*

Speaker 2 - Implementing HSE Management Systems from Oil & Gas to Rail, Andy Church, Senior Director Environmental and Safety Systems, *CN Rail*

Speaker 3 - ISO 45001, Alan Napier, Senior Account Manager Western Canada, *BSI Group*

10:30 - 10:50 Refreshment/Networking Break

10:50 - 12:00 **Session 6 - Risks and Opportunities**

Speaker 1 - EHS Systems, Denise Howitt, Manager EHS Systems and Compliance, *University of Calgary*



Speaker 2 - Managing risks and building relationships through independent audits: three case studies, Betsy Evans and Beth Michener, *Matrix Solutions*

12:00 - 12:45 Lunch

12:45 - 13:30 **Featured Speaker - Duff Harper, Partner, *Blakes, Audit and Legal Considerations - Due Diligence, Privilege***

13:30 - 14:30 **Session 7 - Professional Auditors – Supply and Demand**

This session will discuss the potential future deficiency of EH&S auditors and the implications for stakeholders.

Speaker 1 - Auditors – A Species at Risk, Brenda MacDonald, Director, Environmental Governance, *Nova Scotia Power*

Speaker 2 - Attracting and Retaining Talent, Yogendra Chaudhry, *ECO Canada*

14:30 – 14:50 Refreshment/Networking Break

14:50 - 16:15 **Session 8 - Integration of Management Systems and Associated Standards**

This session will look at barriers, challenges and opportunities from a stakeholder perspective.

Speaker 1 - The Role of Auditing and Integration of Standardized Management Systems, Stanislav Karapetrovic, Quality Management, *University of Alberta*

Speaker 2 - Operational Management Systems and Standards – Trials and Tribulations, Kevin Dunn, *Cultura Consulting*

16:15 - 16:30 Closing remarks, Peter Beukema, AAC President



**April 25, 2018**

**Workshop 1: 8:30 to 12:00 noon (1/2 day) - Understanding and Interpreting requirements:**

Take advantage of the expertise of seasoned and certified EHS auditors and their knowledge of the regulatory landscape across Canada. This ½ day workshop is geared towards understanding and interpreting the grey areas that can often arise during the completion of an EHS Audit. Registered participants will be asked to submit their questions at least two (2) weeks in advance of the workshop, which will allow the course leaders to assess the questions and have a response ready for presentation, interpretation and discussion during the course. Additional clarity and guidance will also be provided for grey areas based on the course leaders own experiences. *Presenter: Peter Beukema, Wood plc*

**Workshop 2: 8:30 to 12:00 noon (1/2 day) Audit Technique – Successful Interview and Impactful Finding Writing Techniques:**

This workshop will focus on two pillars of an audit. This workshop is interactive and requires active participation.

Module 1: Interview Techniques. This module will discuss tips, techniques and tools designed to help you hone your audit interview skills. Examples of real life interview challenges and potential solutions will be shared to better prepare you for the difficult interview. Learn how to set the environment and tone to improve how the auditee perceives the process with tips to help your audit stay on track, summarizing the appropriate information, and follow-up questions. Having strong interviewing skills is an essential element for gathering audit evidence to support audit conclusions. ISO 19011:2011, Guidelines for Auditing Management Systems will be referenced.

Module 2: Writing Impactful Value Added. This module will explore the attributes of a well-written finding, and the boundary between value-added findings and consulting. As management systems mature, management teams become more sophisticated, and audit clients become more aware of the potential value that auditors can provide, expectations are rising. Audit findings are too often written as a recitation of fact, adding minimal value to the client. Numerous exercises will work through practical examples.

*Presenters: Susan Girt, City of Hamilton, and Todd Hall, Environment and Risk Assurance Inc*





**Workshop 3: 1:00 to 4:30 pm (1/2 day) ISO Standards 45001/19011:** Two key standards are scheduled for release in 2018 after substantive revision. This workshop will explore the changes to the standards and the implications on management system and audit. After much delay, 45001 Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems is scheduled for publication in late Q1 or early Q2 2018. This new standard will follow other generic management system approaches such as ISO 14001, ISO 9001, and will take into account other international standards such as OHSAS 18001, and ILO-OSH Guidelines. OHSAS will be withdrawn upon publication of ISO 45001. Organizations currently certified to 18001 will have a 3-year period to migrate to 45001. ISO 19011 Guidelines for Auditing Management Systems has assisted organizations in conducting effective audit to support continual improvement. Further it supports the harmonization across standards and a uniform approach to audit. The 2011 edition of the standard has undergone a substantive revision to better reflect the growing number of management systems, and recent revisions of management system standards such as 14001/9001 and the newly minted 45001. Changes include: terms and definitions have been better aligned with the high level structure of annex SL; the concept of risks and opportunities; remote auditing; SME; and audit team competence. Expected publication date mid 2018. The workshop will be facilitated by seasoned professionals who have been involved with the revisions. They will provide their insights. This workshop is interactive - come prepared with questions. *Presenters: Glenn Keays ERM, Brenda MacDonald Nova Scotia Power, and Alan Napier BSI*



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