



Operational Excellence Showcase

Charting the Path to Excellence -
Inspiring Change - Shaping the Future

Wednesday, May 22, 2024 | Ottawa, ON

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Operational excellence is the cornerstone of success in today's dynamic public sector landscape. It is the art of streamlining processes, harnessing technology, fostering innovation, and embracing resilience—all while prioritizing citizen satisfaction. This conference is your gateway to explore the transformative power of operational excellence in government operations.

In our pursuit of excellence, we turn challenges into opportunities. Discover innovative solutions that drive efficiency, reduce costs, and enhance service quality. Dive into data-driven insights that empower informed decision-making and improve transparency. Explore strategies to cultivate a culture of continuous improvement, strengthen resilience, and chart a course to a future-ready government.

Join us for a day of immersive learning, networking, and inspiration. Engage with thought leaders, connect with peers, and gain actionable insights that can redefine your approach to government operations. Together, we'll unlock new possibilities, inspire change, and shape the future of government operations. Be a part of the conversation!

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Who You'll Meet

Chiefs/Directors/Heads of:

- Operations
- Finance
- Procurement
- Corporate Services
- Transformation
- Process Improvement
- Service Delivery
- Shared Service
- Governance
- Contract Management
- Supply Chain
- Compliance Business Improvement
- Supplier Management

Benefits of Attending



Strategic Insights: Gain valuable insights from industry experts and government leaders on how to achieve operational excellence, navigate digital transformation, and build a resilient public sector.



Innovative Solutions: Explore the latest technologies and innovative solutions driving efficiency and effectiveness in government operations. Discover practical approaches to achieving more with limited resources.



Networking Opportunities: Connect with peers, policymakers, and thought leaders in the public sector. Share experiences, best practices, and establish valuable professional connections.



Interactive Discussions: Participate in roundtable discussions, panel sessions, and Q&A opportunities to engage with experts, ask questions, and dive deep into relevant topics.



Inspiration for Change: Be inspired by success stories, case studies, and real-world examples of operational excellence in action. Leave with actionable strategies to transform your own government agency.

Your Guide



2023 Snapshot



531

Registrations



55

Speakers



5

Cities



5

Partners

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DR. FLOLET LONEY-BURNETT
Assistant Deputy Minister, Enterprise Business Services Division
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MELISSA DJURAKOV
Assistant Deputy Minister, Oversight and Agency Governance
Ministry of Transportation



ALENA THOUIN
Chief Operating Officer
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OLGA BAKONYI
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KALYAN CHAKRAVARTHY
Chief Information Officer
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WENDY CUKIER
Founder & Academic Director
Diversity Institute



JOHN MCGURRIN
Global Vice President - SAP Procurement and Supply Chain
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Explore the Agenda - Toronto, ON

Tuesday, May 14, 2024

Toronto Metropolitan University

Sears Atrium - George Vari Engineering and Computing Centre, 3rd Floor

245 Church Street, Toronto, ON M5B 1Z4

8:00am **Registration and Networking Coffee**

8:50am **Welcome from Public Sector Network**

9:00am **Welcome from Chair**

Wendy Cukier, *Professor of Entrepreneurship and Strategy, Founder and Academic Director | Academic Director | Academic Research Director, Diversity Institute | Women Entrepreneurship Knowledge Hub (WEKH) | Future Skills Centre*

9:20am **Government Keynote: The Role of Operational Excellence in Modern Government**

- Exploring the significance of operational excellence in public sector transformation
- Discover practices that can lead to streamlined processes and resource optimization, resulting in significant cost savings
- Impact citizen satisfaction by improving the quality and accessibility of government services

Dr. Flolet Loney-Burnett, *Assistant Deputy Minister, Enterprise Business Services Division, Ministry of Public and Business Service Delivery*

9:30am **Platinum Partner Session: How are organizations applying GenAI to improve efficiency in Workforce Empowerment**

John McGurrin, *Global Vice President – SAP Procurement and Supply Chain, SAP*

10:00am **Government Fireside Chat: Enhancing Operational Efficiency through Relationship Management, Mutual Value Creation, and Collaborative Strategies**

Melissa Djurakov, *Assistant Deputy Minister, Oversight and Agency Governance, Ministry of Transportation*

10:20am **Government Keynote: Navigating the Rapids: Mastering Change Management and Resilience in the Pursuit of Operational Excellence**

Alena Thouin, *Chief Operating Officer, Ontario Financing Authority*

10:40am **Break**

11:00am Roundtables | Split into specialized conversation areas and join engaging discussions to dive deeper into your innovation priorities

- 1. Innovative Technologies for Efficiency:** Emerging technologies applied to Social Responsibility and Sustainability
Facilitated by: **John McGurrin**, *Global Vice President – SAP Procurement and Supply Chain, SAP*
- 2. Data-Driven Decision-Making:** Exploring practical approaches to harness data for informed decision-making in government operations.
Facilitated By: **Wendy Cukier**, *Professor of Entrepreneurship and Strategy, Founder and Academic Director | Academic Director | Academic Research Director, Diversity Institute | Women Entrepreneurship Knowledge Hub (WEKH) | Future Skills Centre*

12:00pm Panel Discussion: Operational Excellence in Action

- How can operational excellence transform a government agency’s operations for the better?
- What key challenges do organizations face in the pursuit of operational excellence, and how can they overcome those challenges?
- How do you measure the success and impact of operational excellence initiatives in the public sector?
- Key lesson learned from experience with operational excellence that other government agencies can benefit from each other
- What are the most critical factors for sustaining a culture of operational excellence in government organizations?
- How executives lead with lean 6 sigma as part of a strategic framework for operational excellence?

Andrea McKinney, *Chief Corporate Services, Technology, and Innovation Officer, WSIB Ontario*
Kalyan Chakravarthy, *Chief Information Officer, Electrical Safety Authority*
Moderator: **Wendy Cukier**, *Professor of Entrepreneurship and Strategy, Founder and Academic Director | Academic Director | Academic Research Director, Diversity Institute | Women Entrepreneurship Knowledge Hub (WEKH) | Future Skills Centre*

12:40pm Closing Remarks from Chair
Wendy Cukier, *Professor of Entrepreneurship and Strategy, Founder and Academic Director | Academic Director | Academic Research Director, Diversity Institute | Women Entrepreneurship Knowledge Hub (WEKH) | Future Skills Centre*

12:50pm Networking Lunch

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Explore the Agenda - Ottawa, ON

Wednesday, May 22, 2024
University of Ottawa - Desmarais Hall
Room 12102, 12th Floor
55 Laurier Ave E, Ottawa, ON K1N 6N5

8:00am Registration and Networking Coffee

9:00am Welcome from Public Sector Network

9:10am Welcome from Chair

9:30am Government Keynote: Cultivating Change: Operational Excellence through Digital Transformation of Program and Service Delivery
Sankaran KrishnaRaj, *Director General, Service and Program Excellence Directorate, Programs Branch, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada*

9:50am Platinum Partner Session: Choosing the Right Tool for the Job
Delivering government services efficiently and at scale requires the right tools, but replacing existing technology investments is not always an option. With the right orchestration platform, you can leverage what you have and take your delivery to the next level.
Kyle Thomas, *Industry Lead, Regulatory Agencies, Appian*

10:10am Government Keynote: Revitalizing HR Service Delivery and Enhancing Outcomes through Effective People Management
Sylvain Souigny, *Director General, Human Resources, Services Canada*

10:30am Gold Partner Session: Mobile Technology & the Device-as-a-Service Model
Continuously enhancing the citizenship experience demands that public sector employees have access to advanced technology. However, as Operational Leaders know very well, the total cost of ownership to get that technology into hands is complex and resource intensive. As a result, the Device-as-a-Service model, or DaaS, is quickly becoming a model of choice.
Shawn Winter, *Partner, PiiComm*

10:50am Networking Break

11:10am Roundtables | Split into specialized conversation areas and join engaging discussions to dive deeper into your innovation priorities

- AI Real Talk--How to think practically about AI in your department**
Facilitated by: **Kyle Thomas**, *Industry Lead, Regulatory Agencies, Appian*
- Examining the potential of mobile technologies such as wearable computers, barcode scanners, RFID, and mobile printers in optimizing the delivery of government services**
Facilitated by: **Shawn Sicard**, *Partner, PiiComm*
- How low-code can you go? Low code business process automation in government.**
Facilitated by: **Andy Hayes**, *Nintex*

12:10pm Panel Discussion: Charting the Course to a Future-Ready Government

- What emerging technologies will have the most significant impact on future government operations?
- How can governments balance the need for innovation with security and privacy concerns in a rapidly evolving digital landscape?
- What strategies do you recommend for governments to foster an agile and adaptable public sector?
- Inclusivity in government services is a critical aspect of future-readiness. What steps should governments take to ensure inclusivity in their digital initiatives?
- How can business process management help with preparing for future ready government?

Jamie Light, *Director, IT Operations, Information Management and Technology Directorate, Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat*

Gail Mitchell, *Assistant Deputy Minister, Departmental Programs and Operations, Women and Gender Equality*

Cayle Oberwarth, *Chief Information Officer, Director General Operations, Strategic Joint Staff, Department of National Defence*

Deirdre Kelly, *Manager, Organizational Effectiveness, NAV Canada*

Panelist: **Joe Bultena**, Nintex

12:50pm Closing Remarks from Chair

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“This was the first PSN in person event and I think it was very well done! It was a great opportunity for me to mingle with other ministry employees, as well as the presenters were informative and interesting.”

Ontario Northland

“The roundtables were good - lots of information that was shared that makes you think how you can apply this to your own work.”

Government of Canada

“The content was very good and it was great to be able to connect with some people and hear what they are working on. The round tables were particularly good.”

IBM

“Excellent. Very relevant challenges to the public sector.”

University of British Columbia

Event Schedule

MAY

Public Sector Innovation Show - Atlantic AT

HR & Future of Work Showcase ON

JUNE

Data Management & Analytics Roadshow AB | BC | ON

Public Sector Innovation Show - Manitoba MB

Police Innovation Showcase ON

Public Sector Innovation Show - Saskatchewan SK

SEPTEMBER

Public Sector Innovation Show - Ontario ON

Ontario Government Cybersecurity Showcase ON

Artificial Intelligence Roadshow ON

Healthcare Infrastructure Showcase & Public Sector Health Facilities Showcase ON

OCTOBER

Public Sector Innovation Show - Alberta AB

Alberta Government Cybersecurity Showcase AB

Digital Government & CX Roadshow BC | MB | NS | ON

NOVEMBER

EduTech Showcase ON

DECEMBER

Public Sector Innovation Show - British Columbia BC

British Columbia Government Cybersecurity Showcase BC

Canadian Security Showcase ON



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