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## **Transit Awareness Days return**

The transit industry made its message heard around Ottawa and across Canada with the return of the CUTA Transit Awareness Days on September 19 and 20, 2016. The week began with an all-new event, a Policy Forum that brought top minds from across Canada and the U.S in the same room to discuss transit during four 'rapid-fire' policy panels.

The second day of TAD was more familiar to CUTA members. CUTA's Hill Day featured over 60 meetings with key government stakeholders in Ottawa—everyone from Ministers and MPs to Senators and Deputy Ministers.

Event highlights included welcome remarks from Ottawa Mayor Jim Watson, a keynote address from Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Infrastructure and Communities, Pablo Rodriguez, and a reception on Parliament Hill, hosted by the Speaker of the House of Commons, Geoff Regan.

*To learn more about Transit Awareness Days please contact [Jeff Mackey](#).*

## **CUTA Fall Conference update**

### **Program Now Online**

The 2016 Fall Conference Program is now [available](#)! Engaging speakers, interesting and in-depth sessions, rich technical tours and lively networking events really bring the conference theme "Inspiring Sustainable Change" to life. Check back here regularly for updates!

### **Accommodation**

We are currently sold out on our Room Block at the Fairmont Waterfront Hotel – however, we have made arrangements for additional guest rooms for a limited time at the special CUTA rate of \$199.00 guest rooms at the Vancouver Pinnacle Marriott Downtown Hotel, a short 5-minute walk to the Host Hotel and Vancouver Convention Centre. Please use this [link](#) to access the CUTA reservations website.

### **Overflow Hotel**

#### **[Vancouver Pinnacle Marriott Downtown](#)**

1128 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, BC

### **Fairmont Waterfront - SOLD OUT**

[thewaterfronthotel@fairmont.com](mailto:thewaterfronthotel@fairmont.com)

900 Canada Place Way, Vancouver, BC

### **The Canadian Transit Show– Booths selling fast! Book your booth or plan to attend!**

This fall [The Canadian Transit Show, Canada's Bus and Transit Exhibition](#) will take place at the Vancouver Convention Center. If you are a CUTA member, make sure to [check the LIVE floor plan](#) and reserve your booth to be a part of Canada's biggest transit show. CUTA is pleased to link you and your business to the people who call the shots in the transit industry in Canada – they'll be there! With over 90,000 square feet of products, vehicles and services from transit suppliers and manufacturers from across North America, it is a showcase not to be missed.

### **Technical Tours**

In partnership with our host Translink, we are pleased to offer our members six technical tours! Availability is limited and is on a first-come, first-served basis.

- Hamilton Transit Centre Tour
- Seabus Tour
- Fleet Overhaul Tour
- Real Estate Division Tour
- Evergreen Project Tour
- Expo Line Tour

Along with these great tours, we are pleased to offer the city tours and the companion tours – descriptions for these can also be found online.

Join us on Twitter #CUTAyvr.

*For more information, contact [Paulina Cadena](#).*