

September 30, 2019



There is still time to register for the CUTA Forum in Montréal

CUTA will hold its [Transit Policy Forum](#) at Polytechnique Montréal on **October 3 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.** Our forum will bring together experts from the mobility domain, as well as candidates from the major federal political parties, who will present their parties' plans for developing infrastructure and transit. Rachel Bendayan (Liberal) and Daniel Green (Green) have already confirmed their attendance! On **October 3**, Québec will be talking transit. Join the discussion, [register for the CUTA Forum](#)! There are still a few seats available.

For more information, please contact [Samuel Lafontaine](#) at extension 616.

CUTA unveils 2020 pre-budget recommendations

We submitted our pre-budget [recommendations](#) to the [House of Commons Finance Committee](#), which requested proposals related to Canada's climate emergency. Our submission highlights the importance of operational funding to increase frequency and reliability of transit service – key drivers of modal shift – substantially reducing GHG emissions.

We recommend implementing a low-carbon bus procurement program which would be technologically neutral and help transit systems offset the difference in the capital costs between regular diesel buses and cleaner, low-carbon alternatives. Finally, we request action from the federal government to help the transit manufacturing industry sustain good green jobs in Canada in an increasingly uncertain trade environment.

For more information, please contact [Nathaniel Wallace](#) at extension 615.

Don't miss out! Sign up to receive CUTA's election e-newsletter

Our election newsletter covers the top issues in Canadian politics from the previous two weeks and important upcoming events and issues related to public transit. It focuses on federal politics leading up to the **2019 federal election in October**. Don't miss cutting-edge election analysis from CUTA's public affairs team.

To subscribe to the election e-newsletter, please e-mail publicaffairs@cutaactu.ca.

#CUTAYyc – 2019 Annual Conference and Transit Show program is online!

The program for [CUTA's 2019 Annual Conference and Canadian Transit Show](#) is now online.

This event takes place **November 10 to 13** in Calgary with a program designed to appeal to a broad range of transit professionals from senior executives to operational and maintenance supervisors. With sessions on fleet electrification, customer engagement, transit data and smart ticketing tech, you won't want to miss out on this truly innovative event. Take a look at the [detailed program](#).

This year we are also pleased to present the *International Rail Forum for North America* in collaboration with the International Association of Public Transport (UITP). The CUTA/UITP Rail Forum will include important discussions on bold new rail projects, LRT operational excellence and the digitalization of the transit industry. Speakers are coming to Calgary from around the world to participate in the Forum, including transit professionals from Poland, Germany, Australia and Saudi Arabia.

Our early-bird price has been extended to **October 1**. Take advantage of our discounted rate and [register today](#) for our 2019 Annual Conference in Calgary!

For more information, please contact conferences@cutaactu.ca.

#CUTAyyc – Featuring Canada's largest transit and bus exhibition

Interested in showcasing your latest products or tech? [Book your space](#) today at our 100,000 square foot Transit Show in Calgary. Booth and bus spaces are selling fast!

For more information, please contact conferences@cutaactu.ca.

Discover CUTA's Young Leaders Summit

Be seen alongside your colleagues supporting the industry's young leaders who are interested in regional transit, sustainable transportation issues and career opportunities. Become a Young Leaders Summit [sponsor today!](#)

The [Young Leaders Summit](#) takes place just prior to [CUTA's Annual Conference and Transit Show](#) in Calgary in November.

For more information, please contact [Jonah Vetro](#) at extension 118.

CUTA webinar – Successfully introducing transit priority into mature urban environments

It can be difficult to allocate space for transit infrastructure in a modern city and it sometimes ends up being controversial. Learn from examples of how other cities have successfully implemented transit infrastructure in our newest webinar on **October 10 at 1:00pm ET**. [Register](#) now.

For more information, please contact [Oliver Nicholls](#) at extension 114.

CUTA training update!

Transit Ambassador in Toronto

CUTA's [Transit Ambassador Program](#) helps your transit system create or expand on a culture of customer service by empowering your employees with skills to handle the many situations that arise when interacting with a customer.

The program is flexible and can be customized or you can use it "off the shelf" in order to meet your specific implementation objectives. Give your trainers confidence with facilitation skills and adult learning principles. Our next offering of Transit Ambassador is in **November 2019**, but class size is limited to 6 and we have only 2 seats left! We encourage you to [register early](#) (English only)!

For more information, please contact [Kevin Brown](#) at extension 121.

Transit stops: Locating and designing for safety

CUTA is proposing 3 half-day workshops this fall on the design and location of transit stops that will address safety for road users and transit vehicles near transit stops.

[October 11, 2019](#) – Mississauga, Ontario

[October 30, 2019](#) – Sherwood Park, Alberta

November 22, 2019 – City to be determined, Québec (in French only)

For more information, please contact [Kevin Brown](#) at extension 121.

Learn transit planning and apply your skills in the industry

CUTA will be holding its Transit Planning course hosted by our member in **Mississauga**, Ontario on from **October 28 to November 1, 2019**. This is an in-depth course covering development requirements, service standards, the uses of intelligent transportation systems, and performance monitoring. You can find the registration form on the [course description page](#) (English only). We have 4 seats left!

For more information, please contact [Kevin Brown](#) at extension 121.

Supervisor's networking group

This working group of the Workforce Development Committee meets 6 times per year by conference call or webinar. The group is a forum for transit supervisors to discuss their work and responsibilities. They will explore the interests of CUTA members who are free to ask questions, share best practices, and suggest topics and potential presenters at CUTA events.

Some suggested topics for discussion:

- the supervisor's response when called to dangerous situations
- refusal of service situations
- succession planning and career paths

The group is moderated by Trever Sparrow, Red Deer Transit's Superintendent, Conventional Services. Our first conference call will take place on **October 9, 2019 at 1 pm EST**.

For more information or to join the group, please contact [Kevin Brown](#) at extension 121.

Welcome to our new members

[Preteckt Inc.](#) – Business – Manufacturer/Supplier

Guy Langevin & Assoc. – Business – Sole proprietor

Sundara Moorthy – Affiliate – Individual

Keep your information up to date at membership@cutaactu.ca.