

September 3, 2019



Check out the updated CUTA Transit Policy Forum speakers list

Canada's leading transit policy thought leaders and political representatives will be at our [Transit Policy Forum](#) in Vancouver on **September 12** to discuss the most pressing issues in the industry. There are a few seats left, so [register today!](#)

Check out our great lineup of [speakers](#), including MP's Don Davies and Paul Manly, as well as Brent Toderian, former Vancouver City Planner, and Kevin Desmond, CEO of TransLink.

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.

Register now for CUTA's Transit Policy Forum in Montréal

Professor Catherine Morency will deliver the keynote speech on **October 3, 2019** at CUTA's Transit Policy Forum at Polytechnique Montréal. In addition to bringing together well-known mobility experts, our Forum will feature speakers from Canada's major political parties who will present their visions for transit and infrastructure in Canada. [Register now!](#)

Many speakers have already confirmed their attendance, including our keynote speaker professor [Catherine Morency](#). The event is close to the federal election and will help CUTA make transit a priority

on the campaign trail. Save **October 3** in your calendar, follow CUTA on social media, and check our [Priority Transit](#) campaign website for more details on the event and who will be attending.

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

CUTA's 2019 Annual Conference and Canadian Transit Show

Once a year, CUTA facilitates four days of sessions, interactive roundtables and networking opportunities that connect hundreds of professionals dedicated to transit. Our 2019 Annual Conference and Canadian Transit Show will be held from **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. This year, there will also be a Young Leaders Summit from **November 8 to 10** and a joint CUTA/UITP International Rail Forum for North America. [Read more](#)

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

#CUTAyyc program-at-a-glance now online!

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

Become a CUTA sponsor

CUTA's conferences link delegates with transit stakeholders and promote industry trends, information sharing and networking opportunities. Our conference theme this year is Generation Innovation and it takes place from **November 10 to 13 in Calgary**. We invite you to become a sponsor and engage and empower the next generation of transit leaders to tackle our industry's challenges head on.

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

CUTA webinar coming soon

How can transit systems stem the flow of users switching from traditional transit to ridesharing services? Join us for this webinar **The Untapped Transit Ridership Solution** on **September 5 at 1:00pm ET** to learn more about transit loyalty and incentives. To register for the webinar, follow this [link](#).

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

Membership referral incentive program

Refer a new member to CUTA. If they have never been a CUTA member and they join because you refer them, you will receive a **\$500 gift voucher**, which can be redeemed for a CUTA learning event, conference registration, transit show booth, CUTA fact book, or towards your membership.

For further information, please [click here](#) or contact membership@cutaactu.ca.