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## **CUTA Fall Conference – Program now online and Early Bird Deadline fast approaching!**

### **Program Now Online**

The [2015 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 *“Integrated Mobility - The Way of the Customer”* to life.

### **Early Bird Fall Conference Rate**

The Early Bird Fall Conference rate ends tomorrow! Be sure to [register](#) before **September 29th at 5pm** to enjoy savings of \$100 on the Fall Conference rate.

### **Trans-Expo 2015 Attendance**

CUTA is encouraging all members and Fall Conference delegates to invite colleagues and business associates to Trans-Expo on Tuesday November 24<sup>th</sup> at the Palais des congrès du Montréal. [Advance registration](#) of non-conference attendees is highly recommended to avoid line-ups at the show.

### **Accommodations:**

#### **Le Westin Montréal**

270 Saint-Antoine Ouest, Montréal, QC H2Y 0A3

Reserve your room by calling 866.837.4262 (use the conference ID 2015 CUTA Fall Conference & Trans Expo or Canadian Urban Transit Association).

Please note:

Special rates, beginning at \$189, have been negotiated for the CUTA Fall Conference and Trans Expo. Make your reservations directly with the hotel using the information listed below. The Westin Montréal is situated directly across the street from the Palais des congrès de Montréal (Convention Centre).

*For more information please visit the [Fall Conference](#) page on the [CUTA website](#) or contact [Paulina Cadena](#)*

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### **CUTA CEO featured on transportation panel**

On September 22, The Hill Times hosted Platform 2015: Transportation, an expert panel discussion with some of the top minds in Canadian Transportation policy at the Delta Hotel in Ottawa. The panel was filmed for CPAC television and garnered this very interesting [story in The Hill Times](#).

Included on the panel was CUTA President and **CEO Patrick Leclerc**, who discussed everything from the federal role in transit infrastructure to the future of Canadian integrated urban mobility. Also featured on the panel was **Michael Bourque**, President of the Railway Association of Canada, **Nick Mulder**, Senior Associate at Global Public Affairs and former deputy minister of transportation, **Mario Iacobacci**, Director of Economics at AECOM and the talk was moderated by Embassy Editor **Carl Meyer**.

*For more information contact [Jeff Mackey](#).*

### **CUTA makes waves on Twitter with #CDNTransit**

Urban transit went viral on September 18 when CUTA encouraged candidates across the country to participate in Mobility Week by Tweeting with the hashtag #CDNTransit. The results were great!

Major public figures including **Thomas Mulcair**, Leader of the NDP, **Adam Vaughan**, Liberal Critic for Urban Issues, **Peter Braid**, Conservative Candidate and Secretary for Infrastructure and Communities and **Elizabeth May**, Leader of the Green Party

of Canada, all tweeted their support for urban transit in Canada. This type of reach would not have been possible without the tremendous CUTA member support the campaign received on Twitter, as well. #Thanks

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### **Survey responses and party platforms now on CUTA's site**

CUTA sent out a survey to all the major federal parties to help determine their policies on important transit issues in Canada. We have already received responses from the **Green Party** and the **NDP**, which can [be viewed on our website](#).

To help educate our members about the platforms of the parties who have not yet submitted their survey responses, we have also [posted press releases and policy documents](#) from all the parties regarding their transit policies. Please read, share and discuss these important documents with your friends, co-workers and family.

*For more information contact [Jeff Mackey](#), Public Affairs.*

### **CUTA Boost your Training Budget Winner is...!**

Every quarter, the Training Department sends out a letter full of goodies to our past participants of training programs, in this summer's mail out, we included a special postcard contest. We would like to thank everyone that took the time to participate in our CUTA Boost your Training Budget, we have more exciting promotions and contests planned for 2016! It's with great pleasure to announce the winner of the CUTA Boost your Training Budget contest... Jon Hendel, Planning and Marketing Analyst from Thunder Bay Transit.

*Contact [Kevin Brown](#) at extension 121 for more details.*