



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



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Partners

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DR. FLOLET LONEY-BURNETT
Assistant Deputy Minister, Enterprise Business Services Division
Ministry of Public and Business Service Delivery



MELISSA DJURAKOV
Assistant Deputy Minister, Oversight and Agency Governance
Ministry of Transportation



ALENA THOUIN
Chief Operating Officer
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MARCO PALERMO
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OLGA BAKONYI
Head, Digital Enterprise Engagement Practice
Government of Ontario



ANDREA MCKINNEY
Chief Corporate Services, Technology, and Innovation Officer
WSIB Ontario



KALYAN CHAKRAVARTHY
Chief Information Officer
Electrical Safety Authority



WENDY CUKIER
Founder & Academic Director
Diversity Institute



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

9:00am Welcome from Public Sector Network

9:10am Welcome from Chair

Wendy Cukier, *Founder & Academic Director*, Diversity Institute

9:30am 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

9:50am Platinum Partner Session: Boosting Performance: Utilizing Generative AI for Workforce Empowerment, Advanced Customer Support, and System Upgrades

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10:10am 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

10:30am Break

11:00am Government Keynote: Navigating the Rapids: Mastering Change Management and Resilience in the Pursuit of Operational Excellence

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

11:20am Gold Partner Session: Optimizing Public Sector Cyber Resilience: Innovative Approaches to Secure Operations and Data

11:40am 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?

Olga Bakonyi, *Head, Digital Enterprise Engagement Practice*, Government of Ontario

Marco Palermo, *Deputy Chief Technology Officer*, City of Toronto

Moderator: **Wendy Cukier**, *Founder & Academic Director*, Diversity Institute

12:10pm Lunch and Networking Break

1:10pm Roundtables | Split into specialized conversation areas and join engaging discussions to dive deeper into your innovation priorities

1. **Data-Driven Decision-Making:** Exploring practical approaches to harness data for informed decision-making in government operations.
2. **Citizen-Centric Service Delivery:** Discussing strategies to prioritize citizen needs and enhance the overall citizen experience.
3. **Cybersecurity and Data Privacy:** Addressing the critical aspects of ensuring government data security and privacy in an increasingly digital landscape.
4. **Innovative Technologies for Efficiency:** Examining the role of emerging technologies like AI, IoT, and blockchain in optimizing government processes.
5. **Change Management and Resilience:** Exploring best practices for managing change and fostering resilience in government organizations.
6. **Operational Excellence Culture:** Discussing how to build and sustain a culture of operational excellence in government agencies.
7. **Collaboration and Partnerships:** Exploring opportunities for inter-agency collaboration and partnerships to enhance operational efficiency and service delivery.

2:10pm Gold Partner Session: Transforming Public Sector Operations: Leveraging Automation for Excellence

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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?

Andrea McKinney, *Chief Corporate Services, Technology, and Innovation Officer*, WSIB Ontario

Kalyan Chakravarthy, *Chief Information Officer*, Electrical Safety Authority

Moderator: **Wendy Cukier**, *Founder & Academic Director*, Diversity Institute

3:00pm

Closing Remarks from Chair

Wendy Cukier, *Founder & Academic Director*, Diversity Institute

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

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Sankaran KrishnaRaj, *Director General, Service and Program Excellence Directorate, Programs Branch, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada*

9:50am Platinum Partner Session: **Boosting Performance: Utilizing Generative AI for Workforce Empowerment, Advanced Customer Support, and System Upgrades**
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 Break

11:00am Government Keynote: **Fortifying the Cyber Frontlines: Strategic Incident Response for Operational Resilience**
Wissam Moussa, *Director Technology, Canadian Digital Service*

11:20am 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*

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

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1. **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*
2. **Topic TBC**
Facilitated by: **Appian**
3. **Topic TBC**
Facilitated by: **Nintex**
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Cayle Oberwarth, *Chief Information Officer, Director General Operations, Strategic Joint Staff, Department of National Defence*

Panelist: **Nintex**

3:00pm 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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