



CALL FOR PAPERS

52nd Annual Conference of the
Canadian Transportation Research Forum
May 28-31, 2017 – Radisson Hotel Winnipeg Downtown, Winnipeg, MB

Conference Theme

“Canadian Transportation: 150 Years of Progress”

The history of Canada is underscored by advances in transportation technology that have moved this country from a pioneer colony to a modern industrial state. 150 years ago, this young country was imagining a coast-to-coast railway across a continental expanse, where nothing but the fur trade existed. Looking back on this herculean effort, we stand in awe at the courage and vision exercised by the founders. But, as new road, marine, pipeline and air modes of transport emerged, following generations made similar contributions. Today the challenges are different, but no less daunting. Building infrastructure is exciting, sustaining it is a chore. Developing demand in thin markets is difficult, coping with congestion in well-developed ones is intractable. Welcoming transportation development with brass bands is wonderful, dealing with NIMBYism is dreadful. Connecting urban centres arouses pride, commuting within urban settings evokes road rage. Expanding transportation activity improves service, reducing transport emissions adds costs. As the post-industrial state dawns, the challenges of transportation are no less, just different. Policy must adapt. As this milestone is reached, we need to take stock and look forward.

We invite high quality research and policy recommendations of interest to transportation professionals and policy makers. We welcome papers from the private sector, academia and all levels of government. Subject areas may include (but are not limited to):

Agricultural Transportation	Marine and Port Issues
Airships	Northern Transportation
Aviation and Airports	Operations Research
Border Crossings	Optimizing Infrastructure
Commuting Behaviour	Public Transit
Dangerous Goods	Railway Issues
Environment and Sustainability	Rural Transportation
Funding and Financing	Safety
Gateways and Trade Corridors	Security
Governance and Management	Statistics/Data Issues
Inland Ports	Supply Chains / Logistics
Innovation and Technology	Tax Policy
Intelligent Transportation Systems	Technology and Innovation
Intercity Transportation	Trucking Issues
Intermodal Transport	Urban Transportation
Labour Issues in Transportation	

Key Dates

Abstracts accepted beginning	Monday, Oct 3, 2016
Abstract submission deadline	Thursday, February 2, 2017
Latest response to authors	Sunday, February 5, 2017
Full papers due	Friday, March 17, 2017
Full conference registration due	Friday, March 24, 2017
Conference	May 28-31, 2017

Abstract / Paper Submission

Submission of abstracts and papers must be done using the CTRF on-line submission tool found at <https://web2.uwindsor.ca/maohhf/winnipeg/ctrf17/>. Authors not already registered on the abstract and paper submission website will need to create an account that they can use to submit both their abstracts and papers by the dates given above.

Abstracts may be up to a maximum of 200 words in length. Abstracts and papers must be submitted as per the key dates listed above. All abstracts and papers submitted must adhere to the formatting instructions given in the on-line submission tool.

Some abstracts may be placed on the CTRF website to promote the conference.

Authors who wish to present their work at the conference but do not wish to submit a full paper (4000-4500 words) can submit a short paper (1200-1800 words) through the conference paper submission website. In submitting their abstract, authors must indicate the type of paper that they will be submitting.

All papers will be published in a Conference Proceedings. In order to have a paper published in the Conference Proceedings, at least one author must register for the conference and present the paper at the conference. Prizes will be awarded for the best conference papers (but short papers will not qualify for any award).

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Panel Sessions and Debate

In addition to research papers, the program will include plenary sessions on the conference theme and key topics of interest, and an annual Oxford style debate (the Bison Transport Debate), an entertaining CTRF tradition.

Conference Location and Venue

The conference will take place at the Radisson Hotel, in the heart of downtown Winnipeg. This is a short walk to The Forks, Canadian Museum for Human Rights, Winnipeg Art Gallery, great restaurants, live theatre, pubs, and many other opportunities. A block of rooms has been set aside with a corporate rate for conference delegates.

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