



## Call for Conference Presentations

### PEI Association of Planners

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#### Proposal Requirements

If you are interested in presenting on a topic related to this theme, please submit the following:

- an abstract of your presentation (500 words max, including details on format of the presentation),
- title of presentation
- a brief bio of the presenters (100 words max per presenter),
- the name of presenter, job title, and contact information,
- list of required materials, and
- time slot required for the presentation

Submissions may be sent by email to:

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Submissions must be received no later than **4pm, Friday, April 28, 2017**

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### 2017 ATLANTIC PLANNERS INSTITUTE CONFERENCE

Charlottetown, September 27-29, 2017, Rodd Charlottetown Hotel

The PEI Association of Planners is now seeking proposals for presentations at the 2017 Atlantic Planners Institute conference.

#### Theme:

Nimble Responses, Rapid Innovation

#### Overview

Changes in how we live, communicate, do business, move and interact are taking place at an ever-increasing pace. In the face of these changes, communities are striving to transform to meet the need of their residents, placing pressure on planners to facilitate rapid change by re-imagining processes and requirements and adopting new technologies. Planners now face the challenge of harnessing a need for change as an **opportunity** to positively shift the way we design, shape and protect our natural and built environments.

#### Conference Objective

The 2017 conference will explore various opportunities and challenges facing planners and municipal politicians in leading and managing change in a complex setting, with the following sub-themes:

**Tools:** How can technological innovation help planners do their work, in consultation, in measuring and information gathering, in administering, and in regulating? How are technologies such as drones and GIS mapping changing the planning process? What tools are planners using to respond to improve communication in rural areas, in large regions, or among dense populations? What new and improved tools and channels are leading to better consultation and engagement? How are planners making full use of new and expanded sources of data?

**Regulation:** How do changes need to be reflected in our traditional planning documents? How should regulations respond to sharing economies and changes brought on by Airbnb, uber, and other similar realities? What should planners be anticipating as shifts in the near term? What should be taken into consideration when mitigating the impacts of new realities such as marijuana dispensaries, and how do communities integrate artisanal, micro, and boutique production activities into existing neighbourhoods?

**Design:** How is the way we design our communities changing? How do new tools enable better design? How should planners be anticipating and planning for the design impacts of shifts such as autonomous vehicles?

**Economy:** What are the economic shifts, such as expanded rural broadband and e-commerce opportunities, that planners need to be taking into consideration during the planning process? How is e-commerce transforming the urban store front or shopping centre? How are technology and innovations shifting the planning discussion in rural municipalities through online businesses, rural linkages, and local production?