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Re: Call for Speakers for the Upcoming Manitoba Disaster Management Conference (MDMC) 2024

You have an opportunity to inform, enlighten and discuss the art and science of disaster management as a presenter at the MDMC 2024 scheduled for October 16-18, 2024 in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

The conference will once again feature keynote presentations, breakout sessions which offer a more in-depth exchange of ideas through question and answer periods, and interactive workshops.

We welcome your ideas and have provided more information in the attached Speaker Proposal document.

Discuss situations in which you and your organization have found the ingenuity and energy to deal with the challenges of a disaster or elements of an emergency. Share your success or perhaps significant lessons learned.

This conference brings together between 400 and 500 delegates including emergency preparedness planners, educators, health professionals, policy makers, leaders from Indigenous communities, business continuity planners, and elected officials.

We usually have media interest in the conference.

Please forward this Call for Speakers to your staff, or anyone else you think might be interested in being a speaker at MDMC 2024.

The deadline for submissions is **May 1, 2024**. Please email submissions to speakers@manitobadmc.com with subject title "MDMC 2024 Speaker Session Proposal" by May 1, 2024. Your submission **must include** the following information for inclusion on the conference website and brochure:

- **Title of Session & short description of session** for use in brochure
 - **Biography** (limited to 75 words, including speaker's title for use in brochure)
 - **Photo** (1.5 x 1.5 in jpeg format, high resolution 300dpi)
- (Proposals sent in without the above information will not be considered).**

The MDMC Executive Committee will review all speaker proposal submissions on May 14, 2024; all submitters will be notified by email by May 31, 2024.

Sincerely,

MDMC Executive Committee

Attachment



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Speaker and Session Proposals

Manitoba Disaster Management Conference 2024

October 16 – 18, 2024

**Canad Inns Destination Centre Polo Park
Winnipeg, Manitoba**

Statement of Purpose for the Manitoba Disaster Management Conference (MDMC):

To increase the level of emergency preparedness in Manitoba and promote the principles of disaster management planning and public awareness by:

- Sharing experiences
- Showcasing technologies
- Providing information, tools and solutions to problems
- Creating network opportunities

Conference Background Information:

Participants have the opportunity to network and develop strategic relationships with disaster coordinators and managers. The conference continues to address the issue of how interests and challenges in emergency planning often differ between communities in terms of population size, geography and community specific hazards and culture.

Conference participants will include:

- Municipal, Provincial, First Nations & Federal Emergency Officials
- Emergency/First Responders
- Emergency Communication Personnel
- Emergency Health Officials
- Elected Officials
- Not-for-profit Sectors
- All others who play an important role in emergency management



Session Proposal, Requirements & Guidelines

If you have some knowledge to share with Manitoba delegates within the disaster management fields mentioned above, please submit your abstract today. Or if you know of someone who might be interested in presenting, please pass this on.

Session Information:

Should contain no more than 150 words, and must include presentation title, learning objectives and must be commercial free (see page 3).

Where applicable, presentations should address:

- Delegates largely from Manitoba
- Issues that affect a particular aspect of disaster management
- Lessons learned and not learned
- Solutions both proven and potential to the issues faced

Presentation formats:

- Keynote sessions:** 1 hour address for all attendees and should have a broad appeal
- Breakout sessions:** 1 hour of a more in-depth nature and allow time for Q&A within the 1-hour timeframe.
- Workshop sessions:** are more group participative and interactive with a 2.5-hour block of time allotted.

Submission Deadline: May 1, 2024

Submissions to be emailed to speakers@manitobadmc.com with subject title “**MDMC 2024 Speaker Session Proposal.**”

Selection Criteria:

The MDMC Executive Committee will review all presentations on **May 14, 2024** – selection will be based on the following criteria:

- Topic and relevance to the delegate base
- Focus on future trends, lessons, tools and recommended solutions to problems
- Concise statement of the benefits of your presentation to attendees
- Speaker’s expertise, knowledge and ability to challenge delegates
- Presentation experience of speaker (you may wish to list references to be contacted)
- Absence of commercial sales content for services or products



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Review Process:

- All submitters will be notified by email by **May 31, 2024**. Please note that reviewer comments will not be supplied to proposal submitters.
- All speaker proposals ***must include*** the following additional information for inclusion on the conference website and brochure:
 1. **Title of Session & short description of session for use in brochure**
 2. **Biography:** Limited to 75 words, including speaker's title for use in program
 3. **Photo** 1.5 x 1.5 in jpeg format, high resolution 300dpi**(Proposals received without the required information will not be considered).**
- Final presentations must be submitted by **September 27, 2024** in PowerPoint or MS Word format (for MDMC Executive Committee review purposes only; presentations will NOT be posted).

Speaker Terms and Conditions:

- By submitting a session abstract, submitters grant the MDMC Executive Committee permission to reproduce and distribute materials, and post pictures taken during the conference on the MDMC website.



SPEAKER INFORMATION SHEET

Event: MDMC 2024
Dates: **October 16 -18, 2024**
Location: Canad Inns Destination Centre Polo Park, Winnipeg, Manitoba

Name: _____

Company/Organization/Affiliation: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province/State: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Please provide the title of your presentation, along with a short description of the session content (this must be included with your proposal).

Please indicate the preferred format for this presentation:

Breakout Session Keynote Speaker Workshop Session

Please indicate the preferred audience size for your presentation: _____

Does your session include?

Q and A time Group or delegate participation

Please provide no more than 2 descriptive paragraphs of the content of your presentation and/or 6 to 10 point-form objectives. Please attach.

Please provide no more than 3 paragraphs describing your background and expertise in terms of providing this particular presentation and presentation experience. Please attach.

Please note that all confirmed speakers will be gifted one free registration to the entire conference (non-transferrable).