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2024 Forum on the Workplace / Forum sur le lieu de travail 2024

Tuesday, Oct 22: Rideau Can Atrium Centre

08:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Registration

Rideau Can Atrium Centre

Tuesday, Oct 22: Meeting Room 214

08:00 AM - 09:00 AM

Breakfast

Meeting Room 214

Meal Break

Tuesday, Oct 22: Meeting Room 214

09:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Opening Keynote with Mark Quinlan and Test Your Workplace Knowledge with Horizant

Meeting Room 214

Plenary Session

James Berard

Business Analyst, Horizant

Mark Quinlan

Senior Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Service and Procurement Canada

Nick Liko

Technical Sales Engineer, Horizant

Opening Keynote Mark Quinlan, Senior Assistant Deputy Minister of Real Property Services, Public Services and Procurement Canada, joins us to kick off the opening keynote for this years Forum on the Workplace. In this address, Mark will set the stage for an insight full discussion on the challenges associated with a very ambitious workplan given to the Real Property Services. Drawing from his extensive expertise, Mark will present his vision that will impact not only the workplace, but also the communities in which we are working from. Join us to gain a deeper understanding of the role he's playing on delivering ...

Tuesday, Oct 22: Meeting Room 215

10:45 AM - 11:25 AM

Workplace Greening – practical solutions to problems

Meeting Room 215

Concurrent Session

Lisa Foody

Program Director, BGIS

Nick Xenos

Executive Director, Treasury Board Secretariat - Centre for Greening Government

Sonia Powell

Director General, Accommodation Management and Workplace Solutions

Stephanie Westover

Director Business Development - Government, Global Furniture Group

A panel-based session exploring the various aspects of fit up projects by leveraging experience and knowledge from various sectors. The federal Government has put a priority on Greening initiatives, we have made great strides in the past and these initiatives have been engrained into the work practices. In order to achieve the current ambitious targets, we need to be bolder. Join us on learning how Education and information can be the driving force in helping achieve the outcome.

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Scalable, Efficient, and Flexible Workspaces for a New Era of Work

Meeting Room 213

Concurrent Session

Graham Wong

Founder & CEO, LAUFT

In an era where hybrid work is redefining how we live and work, Graham Wong and the team at LAUFT are leading the charge with a cutting-edge "space-as-a-service" model to be available to the Government of Canada by the end of the year. Founded in 2017 with a mission to rebuild the space between work and life, LAUFT provides employees and organizations with flexible, on-demand workspace solutions designed to optimize productivity, collaboration, and convenience. In his talk, Graham will share the story of LAUFT's mission and dynamic and scalable platform which will soon be part of the future of government ...

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11:40 AM - 12:20 PM

Future-Forward Workspaces

Meeting Room 213

Concurrent Session

Melayna Simister

A/Chief Interior Designer, Workplace Strategy and Interior Design, Public Services and Procurement Canada

In the face of rapidly changing global workplace dynamics, the importance of seamlessly integrating workplace design with technology has become a key consideration for organizations seeking to optimize their real property assets. By leveraging the latest research on hybrid collaboration and technological advancements, organizations can drive workplace transformations that encourage purposeful interaction, promoting a culture of inclusivity and strengthening employee engagement. Join us to learn how technology-driven and inclusive design strategies can enhance portfolio renewal and promote an equitable workplace experience.

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Modern Workspaces for Science

Des espaces de travail modernes pour la science

Meeting Room 215

Concurrent Session

Duncan Retson

Assistant Deputy Minister, Science & Parliamentary Infrastructure, Public Services and Procurement Canada

Fiona Boey

Technical Director, PSPC - SPIB

This session explores Science Office Accommodations (SOA) - Laboratories Canada's approach to workspace design solutions for federal science infrastructure, which supports emerging work cultures and emphasizes the fostering of research excellence. SOA builds on GC Workplace principles as its foundation and focuses on activity-based work, creating adaptable, flexible spaces that align with operational stewardship while meeting a broad range of needs for scientists.

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12:20 PM - 01:20 PM

Lunch

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Adopting the Common Hybrid Work Model at PSPC

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GCco-location: It's more than just sharing space: It's a new culture

GCco-location : Bien plus qu'un simple partage d'espace : C'est une nouvelle culture

Meeting Room 214

Plenary Session

Chantal Bemeur

Manager, Change Management National Centre of Expertise, Accommodation Management and Workplace Solutions, Public Services and Procurement Canada

Chris Konski

SRA, Change Management, PSPC Western Region

The Government of Canada aims to optimize its office space portfolio and explore new workplace solutions, such as the co-location of general-purpose space by two or more organizations. This concept puts forward the sharing of workspaces, including collaboration areas, kitchenettes, some office equipment, etc., without physical partitions between sharing organizations. Various administrative processes need to be reviewed, and a different approach to workspace management and maintenance needs to be rethought and redesigned. The employees of co-located organizations will also have to learn to use workspaces differently and adapt to different organizational cultures. As these changes affect employees, managers and senior ...

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02:15 PM - 02:55 PM

GCcoworking Secure

Meeting Room 213

Concurrent Session

Nicolas du Prey

Manager, Strategic Analysis, Public Services and Procurement Canada

Lessons learned from applying the coworking model to classified work. This talk will cover an ongoing interdepartmental pilot of GCcoworking secure with a particular focus on the administrative / governance considerations for GCcoworking Secure.

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Innovation, technology, and design of Ādisōke, the new Ottawa Public Library - Library and Archives Canada joint facility

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Concurrent Session

Craig Ginther

Senior Manager, Ottawa Public Library

Mario Gasparetti

Project Director, Real Property Branch | Directeur de projet, Direction gĀfĀ©nĀfĀ©rale des Biens immobiliers, Library and Archives Canada / Government of Canada | BibliothĀfĀ"que et Archives Canada / Gouvernement du Canada

Tara Blasioli

Manager, Ādisōke, City of Ottawa

Set to open in 2026, Ādisōke, the new Ottawa Public Library – Library and Archives Canada joint facility, will be a modern, welcoming and inclusive facility where people will come together to connect, learn, experience and create. Ādisōke represents the coming together of a central library and a national library and national archives: the building will serve as Ottawa Public Library's Central Branch, as well as the main location for Library and Archives Canada's in-person public services and programs within the National Capital Region. Join us for an engaging exploration of the design and goals of Ādisōke. We will examine ...

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03:10 PM - 04:30 PM

Closing Keynote with Don Crichton: Workplace, and the New Employee Experience

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Plenary Session

Don Crichton

Senior Vice President, Strategic Advisory, BGIS

More than any time in the history of the office, creating and sustaining a vibrant, healthy, people centric workplace experience is vital to the success of your office strategy. We will take a deep dive look at influential factors, employee priorities and practical solutions you can implement today.



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