# Planning for Growth and Conservation: Challenges and Opportunities







Victoria Inn and Conference Centre Brandon, Manitoba

Today's planning challenges affect how we live and grow as communities and regions in Manitoba. The challenges are great, from accommodating industry and immigration, to mitigating climate change and population loss, to addressing infrastructure and environmental needs.

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Do you have a presentation idea that *highlights ways governments and those involved in planning can overcome challenges by looking at opportunities through a lens of cooperation and collaboration?* This is an excellent opportunity to engage and share information with all stakeholders involved in local planning (elected officials, planning professionals, academics and the public).

Your presentation may fall into any of the following streams:



## **Presentation Categories**

The 2019 Manitoba Planning Conference Program Committee is seeking presentations that address our conference theme *Planning for Growth and Conservation: Challenges and Opportunities*. As the economic, environmental and social landscape changes in Manitoba, our communities face common issues and strive to adapt. Whether you are planning within the context of the public or private sector, involved with land use, community, or the environment, your role is critical for a prosperous future. Although topic ideas may include, but are not limited to the following list, your presentation should *highlight new knowledge and insight on topics that matter for a prosperous Manitoba*.

- Comprehensive planning
- Demographic shifts
- Connectivity
- Planning with Indigenous Community Organizations
- Evidence based decision making
- Managing water quality and quantity
- Social planning
- Reconciliation
- Housing
- Transition from planning to action
- Public transportation

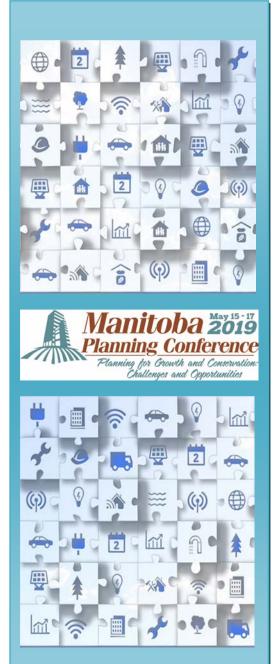
## **Presenters Responsibilities**

Each presenter or group of presenters

- 1. must submit a proposal as described on page 4 on or before January 18, 2019
- 2. must indicate intent to attend and register for the conference
- 3. will be responsible for all expenses, including travel, accommodation, conference registration, non-sponsored meals and miscellaneous charges



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#### How to Submit Your Proposal?

#### Presentation Abstract submissions must include the following:

- 1. Title of the presentation, which clearly indicates the topic
- 2. Name(s) of presenter(s), job title, academic background, institutional or corporate affiliation and contact information including e-mail address and telephone number
- 3. Presenter's previous speaking experience, including relevant speaking engagements
- 4. Proposed presentation format
- 5. Short (50 word) summary of the presentation for inclusion in the program
- 6. Clear and concise description or abstract of the session (300 words) for the selection process
- 7. Specialized equipment requirements

All proposals must be submitted to Ariel Lupu by email at <u>alupu@shaw.ca</u>. The submission deadline is *Friday, January 18, 2019*.

If you have any questions, please contact

Janis Pochailo by email at Janis.pochailo@gov.mb.ca or by phone at (204) 268-6065.

## Notification of Results

You will be notified by *February 8, 2019* as to whether or not your presentation has been accepted.

#### Recommend a Speaker

We are always looking for high quality presentations. If you have seen one, or you know someone whose expertise in a subject you feel is exceptional, please send us whatever contact information you have available. With your help, others in the planning community can benefit from their knowledge at a future conference.

#### **Presentation Format Options**

The conference program will include a mix of plenary and concurrent sessions that are designed to appeal to a variety of learning styles. Sessions may include panel discussions, workshops, mobile tours, and training sessions. One individual or group of presenters (limit of three presenters per group) may submit a maximum of <u>two</u> different presentations.



**Pre-Conference Workshops:** 

3 hours in length on a particular topic (1-2 speakers)

#### **Concurrent Sessions**

1 hour in length, including 5 to 10 minutes for any questions and discussion (1-3 speakers). May include interactive presentations, panel discussions and workshops conducted within the conference venue



**Extended Training and Long Presentation:** 2.5 hours in length on a particular topic (1-2 speakers)

#### Mobile Tours

2.5 hours in length (1-2 leaders). May be walking workshops or involve transportation to local venues and attractions



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#### Selection Criteria & Review Process

While we strive to include all proposals submitted, the Conference Program Committee reserves the right to select those proposals that best reflect the conference theme and format. The Conference Program Committee, composed of volunteers from practice and academia, will review all proposals, and selection will be based on the following criteria:

**Planning for Growth and Conservation:** Relevance to the conference theme



Presenter's expertise, knowledge and ability to engage and challenge delegates



*Consistency of the submission with the minimum information and format requirements listed on page 3* 

Proposed session's fit within the conference streams

Ability to exemplify and articulate a specific activity or approach and have real world application



The Manitoba Planning Conference thanks you for your interest in our conference.

Remember that you must submit your proposal in accordance with the requirements on pages 3 and 4 via email to <u>alupu@shaw.ca</u> by *January 18, 2019* to be considered for this year's conference.

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