

2020 LPAS Lean Conference- Call for Presentations

Uncertainty Drives Innovation and Change



Hello, fellow Lean practitioners! It is that time of year again: We are very excited to announce that we are now accepting submissions for our 2020 LPAS Conference coming up on October 21-22, 2020.

Every year, LPAS invites people from across the community to come and share their insights and experiences on different Lean/Continuous Improvement (CI) themes. This is your chance to become one of only 5 presenters at the 2020 LPAS Conference being held in Regina at the [DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel & Conference Centre](#) , 1975 Broad Street.



This year we are seeking stories that highlight continued success accomplished through innovative change. Conference attendees will have the opportunity to learn how *your* team has implemented the needed changes in order to remain functional, effective, and viable.

If you have an interest in participating, please complete the [Call for Presentations](#) online form. The following guidelines will assist you in preparing your presentation.

Our Goal

To provide best-in-class learning opportunities for conference attendees. Presentations should be diverse and practical. Ideally, presenters will be those who were involved directly in achieving the results.

Presenter Selection Criteria

Presentations will be selected by the 2020 conference planning team based on the following:

- Suitability of the presentation with the conference theme – we are looking for presentations that show the value systematic approach in dealing with the transition across organizations to achieve desired results
- Practitioners must demonstrate direct involvement in transformations
- Presentation by consultants are not permitted

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Conference Vision

Based on this year's conference theme, “**Uncertainty Drives Innovation and Change**” LPAS believes that all successful organizations are constantly changing to improve their customer experience. However, during periods of heightened uncertainty an accelerated level of innovation is required to remain functional and viable. The conference will provide attendees, from every sector, with multiple learning opportunities that will provide high value by sharing best practices. Attendees will leave the conference reinvigorated, motivated, and energized. Returning to their organizations with some new and innovative ideas to share and implement.

Expected Take-away

- **Connection** - To develop an expanded network and to build long-term personal and organizational relationships.
- **Practitioner to practitioner shared experiences** - Attendees will learn, firsthand, how their peers have innovated and successfully implemented change during times of uncertainty.
- **Use what is learned** - Attendees are encouraged to “Steal with pride” To put into action the information shared, and the knowledge gained.

Conference Overview

The LPAS conference follows a well-proven format for providing excellent learning, sharing, and networking experiences.

- **Location** - The DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel & Conference Ctr, 1975 Broads Street, Regina, S4P 1Y1
- **Wednesday, October 21st Evening** – Welcome and opening Practitioner Presentation, followed by social networking and attendee registration.
- **Thursday, October 22nd - Practitioner and Special Interest presentations** - Four individual presentations covering multiple sectors including Healthcare, Education, Mining, Government, and Industry.
- **Keynote presentation** – Karyn Ross ([Website](#)). Attendees will hear from industry leaders on the topic of change management and innovation.

Code of Ethics

The LPAS conference is intended to provide the opportunity for open dialogue around the creative exchange of ideas between like-minded professionals from all organizational sectors. Therefore, it is expected that all participants, in whatever capacity, maintain the highest level of ethical behaviour and display mutual respect and understanding.

The LPAS conference is a non-commercial event. Participants, in whatever capacity, should refrain from the direct promotion of brand/product promotions. Presenters must not use the podium to promote products, services, or financial self-interest. The conference does not restrict or limit the attendance of any person regardless of race, national origin, sex, age, physical impairment, and social, political, economic, or religious conditions. Presenters will refrain from all overt statements or pointed humour that disparages the rightful dignity and social equity of any individual or group.

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Preparing your Submission

Use the following guidelines to complete your submission:

Submissions Criteria:

- **Title:** Choose a presentation title that clearly describes your topic. If necessary, add a short tagline to expand on the discussion point.
- **Speaker(s) Bio:** Use 100-150 words maximum (for each presenter) to describe your professional background and expertise related to the presentation.
- **Speaker(s) Photo:** To be used in our promotional materials
- **Reference(s):** If possible, please provide a reference, endorsement, or testimonial
- **Organization info:** Provide a brief description of your organization's Lean journey.
- **Abstract:** Use 200-250 words maximum to describe what knowledge/skills attendees would take away from the presentation. Ensure to include details on results achieved and how they were obtained. Should your presentation be selected please be aware that this abstract will be reviewed and may be edited for publication on the conference website and in distributed materials.

Additional Guidelines:

- All selection decisions will be made by the LPAS conference team and are final with no appeal.
- Selected presenters will be contacted by the conference chair to coordinate logistics and final details.
- Presentations should be a maximum of 30 minutes in length with a 10-minute Q&A session to follow. Total time allotted 40 minutes.
- Limit to 1 or 2 slides for organizational and personal introductions.
- LPAS will provide typical AV equipment: projector, microphone, remote slide changer and laser pointer.
- Once accepted the presenter is responsible to arrange transportation to and from the event and to book accommodations at the conference hotel.
- Presentations must be submitted in PowerPoint format at least four weeks prior to the conference date. A PowerPoint template will be provided.

Compensation and Remuneration

Because LPAS is a not-for-profit entity presenters do not receive any reimbursement except as follows:

- Each presenter will be provided with one free conference registration.
- Presenters traveling more than 150km to the conference will be reimbursed for travel and one night's accommodation.

How to Submit your Presentation

Please review the preceding information, and complete the [Call for Presentations](#) online form.

All submissions must be received by **July 31st, 2020**.

Please direct questions to Conference Chair, Stewart Bellamy at 306-550-2426 or sbellamy@sasktel.net