

Dear Member,

In Canada, public sector procurement is valued at \$200 billion annually with 80 per cent taking place at local government levels. Federal, provincial, and municipal interests are beginning to recognize purchasing influence and opportunity for collaboration to advance key public policy objectives:

- Reduce service and product costs through efficiencies
- Drive low carbon economies
- Create jobs by growing local and small business sectors
- Expand and strengthen social enterprises
- Eliminate waste
- Minimize liability
- Simplify asset management

Municipal governments are primed to disrupt our current unsustainable environmental and economic model of consumption (*take, make, dispose*) to a new model that combines environmental and social outcomes with positive economic drivers.

Circular procurement is a practice that will advance the circular economy, which focuses on the full value of goods, services, public works, and infrastructure investments. It also has the potential to fulfill economic (cost savings), environmental (low-carbon; waste reduction), and socio-economic (social enterprise; unique public and private partnership) interests simultaneously.

To support greater government efficiency, CAGFO invites you to the [Circular Procurement Summit](#), a must-attend event organized by Recycling Council of Ontario that offers information and resource sharing to build greater capacity within the functions of municipalities and the agencies they fund.

Over two days attendees from across the country will assemble in Toronto to acquire knowledge and proficiency from global experts on how to incorporate circular procurement; move concepts into practice through practical tools and resources; learn the process; and see results of international jurisdictions that have incorporated circular procurement through case studies.

The summit also features a third day workshop sponsored by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, and attendees will learn how to directly prepare and apply circular requirements for your jurisdiction.

When: June 11-13, 2019

Where: Downtown Toronto at the [Sheraton Centre Hotel Toronto](#)

CAGFO Members are offered the Recycling Council of Ontario Member Rate - \$200 in savings - for the event. Please type in **CAGFO** in the order notes during checkout.

Invoices can also be provided, and group discounts can be negotiated. Email events@rco.on.ca.

Sample [justification/request letter](#) to attend for your consideration.

[Promotional PDF](#) to share with colleagues.

Accommodations

The Sheraton Centre Hotel offers a special group rate for those attending the Circular Procurement Summit available to May 14, 2019. [Savings of more than \\$100 nightly](#).

Stay Informed

For regular updates, speaker bios, case studies, and to register: RCO.on.ca/CircularProcurementSummit

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