



2026
GLOBAL CITIES
EXECUTIVE SUMMIT
ON NEXT GENERATION
MULTIMODAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS
TORONTO



September 9–11, 2026 • Pantages Hotel, 200 Victoria St, Toronto, ON

DRAFT AGENDA

The Global Cities Executive Summit on Next Generation Multimodal Management Policies and Systems will bring together transportation leaders from Canada and around the world to explore innovative approaches to managing congestion and improving mobility in rapidly growing urban environments.

Over three days, participants will share knowledge and best practices on advancing transit priority and traffic operations, leveraging data lakes, digital twins, and AI-driven decision-making for transportation policy development, and creating seamless multimodal travel through integrated fare systems and regional transit connectivity. Through collaboration and international knowledge exchange, the summit will highlight how technology, data-driven strategies, and customer-focused mobility solutions can support more efficient, resilient, and sustainable transportation networks.

The focus of this event is on quality discussions, and the event prioritizes guest speakers, public-sector delegates, and members. Join us for three days of interactive discussions and exchanges. To learn more or request an invitation, visit smartmobilitycenter.com or contact victoria@smartmobilitycenter.com.

Who's Attending — Confirmed to Attend (speaking roles and session details still being finalized):

- Government staff from MTO, Metrolinx, City of Toronto & TTC, Durham, Peel, York, Hamilton, Mississauga
- Local Ontario Universities: University of Toronto, York University, Toronto Metropolitan University, McMaster University, Western University

Government/Research Official delegates have also been confirmed from:

- Foreign Delegates:
 - Craig Drury - Department for Transport, UK
 - Sean Fryer - Tees Valley, UK
 - Andrea Reacroft - Tees Valley, UK
 - Karthik Reddy - Bangalore, India
 - Dr. Hwasoo Yeo - Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology, S. Korea
 - Dr. Pierre Gras - Hamburg, Germany
 - Dr. Maurice Krauth - Hamburg, Germany
 - Sampo Hietanen (Aspectu) - Helsinki, Finland
 - Rachel Weinberger (Regional Plan Association) – New York, USA
- Domestic Delegates:
 - Alan Fournier - Calgary, AB
 - Janis Fong - Edmonton, AB

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- o Jonathon Hamel-Nunes - Montreal, QC
- o Nick Armstrong - Victoria, BC
- o David Kuperman - TransLink, BC
- o Robin Gerus - Halifax Regional Municipality, NS
- o Dave Reage - Halifax Regional Municipality, NS
- o Paul Shaffelburg - Halifax Regional Municipality, NS

Day 1 — Wednesday, September 9

Surface Street Transit Priority & Traffic Operations

MORNING	
8:00 AM	VIP Executive Meeting * <i>City Executives · photo opportunity</i>
9:30 AM	Opening Address & Introductions <i>Roger Browne (MC) · First Nations acknowledgement</i>
9:50 AM	TTC Introduction
9:55 AM	Welcome from SMC
10:00 AM	Advanced Measures Towards Prioritizing Surface Street Transit <i>Toronto / TTC · Congestion Management Plan, transit signal priority & RESCU</i>
10:50 AM	Canadian Cities Panel Discussion <i>Edmonton · Calgary · Vancouver (TransLink)</i>
11:20 AM	City Perspective — Montreal <i>J. Hamel-Nunes</i>
11:30 AM	Public Sector Panel Discussion <i>TBD</i>
LUNCH	
12:00 PM	Lunch
12:45 PM	Sponsor Highlight — Arcadis / IBI
AFTERNOON	
1:00 PM	Private Sector Panel Discussion <i>Orange Traffic · Econolite · ITS</i>
1:45 PM	OVIN SME Round 1 Recognition & Showcase <i>Toronto Technology Pilot Zone vendors · funding announcement</i>
EVENING	
3:00 PM	VIP Smart Cities Meet & Greet * <i>Networking reception</i>
6:30 PM	Gala Dinner & SMC Awards * <i>Recognition of transformative projects, technologies & policies</i>

Day 2 — Thursday, September 10

Data Lakes, Digital Twins & Congestion Pricing

MORNING	
9:00 AM	Welcome & Scene-Setting <i>Roger Browne (MC)</i>
9:20 AM	Keynote
9:30 AM	Establishing a Data Lake & Digital Twin for Advanced Decision-Making <i>Toronto · agentic AI, scenario testing & congestion pricing</i>

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9:40 AM	City Perspective — Montreal <i>J. Hamel-Nunes</i>
9:50 AM	International Perspective — Hamburg <i>Dr. P. Gras</i>
10:40 AM	International Perspective — Tees Valley, UK <i>S. Fryer</i>
10:50 AM	International Perspective — Daejeon, S. Korea <i>Dr. H. Yeo, KAIST</i>
11:00 AM	International Perspective — S. Korea <i>TBD</i>
11:10 AM	Private Sector Panel Discussion <i>Aimsun · Miovision · Derq · Ouster · Scenexus · ESRI</i>
LUNCH	
12:00 PM	Lunch
12:45 PM	Sponsor Highlight — ESRI
AFTERNOON & EVENING	
1:00 PM	Fireside Chat <i>Academic fireside — participants to be confirmed</i>
1:15 PM	International Perspective — United Kingdom <i>C. Drury, Department for Transport</i>
1:25 PM	International Perspective — Bangalore, India <i>K. Reddy</i>
1:45 PM	Academic Panel Discussion <i>Ontario universities — panellists to be confirmed</i>
3:05 PM	Provincial Perspective — MTO <i>TBD</i>
3:15 PM	Fireside Chat <i>Halifax & Toronto</i>
4:15 PM	VIP Smart Cities Meet & Greet * <i>Networking reception</i>

Day 3 — Friday, September 11

Seamless Mobility & Fare Integration

MORNING	
9:00 AM	Welcome & Day 3 Scene-Setting + Metrolinx Welcome <i>Roger Browne (MC)</i>
9:15 AM	Enhancing Customer Experience through Fare & Mobility Integration <i>Metrolinx / PRESTO · account-based ticketing & interoperability</i>
9:35 AM	Regional Perspective — Vancouver <i>D. Kuperman, TransLink</i>
9:45 AM	International Perspective — South Korea <i>TBD</i>
10:30 AM	International Perspective — Helsinki, Finland <i>S. Hietanen (Aspectu)</i>
10:40 AM	International Perspective — Tees Valley, UK <i>A. Reacroft</i>
11:00 AM	International Perspective — Hamburg, Germany <i>Dr. M. Krauth</i>

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12:00 PM	Lunch
12:45 PM	Sponsor Highlight — LG
AFTERNOON	
1:00 PM	International Perspective — New York, USA <i>R. Weinberger, Regional Plan Association</i>
1:10 PM	Maritime / Operational Perspective <i>TBD</i>
1:20 PM	Provincial Perspective <i>TBD</i>
1:40 PM	Overall Event Wrap-Up & Community of Practice <i>Signing of Memorandum of Understanding</i>
2:45 PM	VIP Smart Cities Meet & Greet * <i>Networking reception</i>
3:45 PM	Networking & Farewell

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