



Call for Proposals

CEGN's 2018 Annual Conference

Transformative Strategies for Disruptive Times

The CEGN 2018 Conference Planning Team is pleased to announce a Call for Proposals for the annual conference to be held in Banff May 15-17, 2018. Our conference theme “Transformative Strategies for Disruptive Times” is an ambitious one and we are seeking strong session proposals that are aligned with this theme.

Deadline for Call for Proposals Submissions is: January 11th, 2018

The unprecedented disruption and accelerating change that nations, institutions and individuals are currently experiencing is noted in the [introduction to the CEGN Conference](#). Amidst this disruption (or because of it), funders and those with whom they work are crafting new opportunities to address fundamental concerns that are impeding our collective goal of a sustainable future that will nurture people, planet and place. Assumptions are being challenged, issues are being viewed through new lenses and new modes of working are being forged. The 2018 conference affords a great opportunity to shine a light on these initiatives and to share them with the broader funding community.

Examples of transformative strategies include (but aren't limited to):

- Innovative funding strategies to address rapid change in the social, economic, political and environmental landscapes.
- Pioneering partnerships with diverse groups such as Indigenous communities, youth, industry, governments.
- Initiatives that back disruptive movements and grassroots advocacy.
- The mobilization of disruptive communications, media and/or technology
- Unleashing the full spectrum of social finance opportunities to advance social change
- Bridging sectors to achieve the capital and influence needed to achieve common goals

These will be concurrent sessions held either on May 16th or 17th and will be 75 minutes in length. The sessions can be delivered in a variety of formats. Please note that the funders leading the successful proposals will be responsible for helping to secure the recommended speakers and be willing to cover the travel costs of panel participants who aren't funders.

Guidelines for Submitting a Proposal:

Please forward a 1- 2 page document by January 11th to CEGN at: pegi_dover@cegn.org with the following information:

- Contact information (Name; organization; email address and telephone number) for the session proponent.
- A brief description of the session topic and how it relates to one of the themes identified above or another transformative strategy relevant to the funding community.
- An outline of the preferred format (panel, deep dive presentation, case study, etc.), including creative elements and/or how you will engage the audience in the session.
- Anticipated learning or other outcomes for those attending the session.
- The names and affiliations of potential speakers to be included in the session.

Eligibility Criteria:

Submissions are welcome from:

- CEGN members
- Other funders
- Affinity groups of funders
- Non-funders, as long as they are sponsored by a CEGN member

Selection Process:

Members of the Conference Planning Committee will review the session proposals and make decisions as to the successful proposals by the end of January. Selected proposals will be developed more fully with the help of CEGN and the Planning Team.

Next Steps:

If you have any questions regarding your submission, please contact Pegi at Pegi_Dover@cegn.org or 647-288-8891.

Thank you for your interest in this opportunity.

We look forward to hearing about your transformative ideas!



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