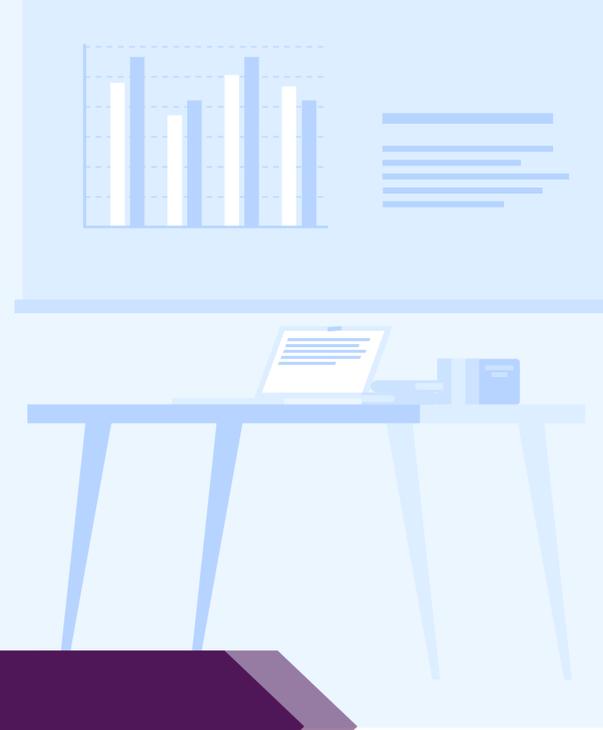




Disability and Work in Canada

Post-Conference Report



Moving Forward Together

The Disability and Work in Canada 2020 (DWC 2020) Conference was held virtually this year over four days in late November and early December (November 25 & 26 and December 1 & 2). The theme for this year's conference was the **“Strategy in Action—Pathways and Impacts”**.



419 Participants were registered for the event, representing 10 provinces, 1 territory and 2 countries.



On average, 75% of participants found the sessions "very good" or "excellent".

▮▮ Aside from the excellent content, you are leaders in the field of virtual conferencing. The 2020 conference was substantially better run and more extensive in scope and variety than any other virtual experience this year.

▮▮ It opened up my eyes to the work being done in the background that no one sees. more of these should be available during the year regularly.

▮▮ We're making progress!

▮▮ While COVID did take up space at the conference, it was important to note how it has highlighted the need for The Strategy even more.

▮▮ I had no idea this much research was being conducted - fantastic!



▮▮ Good to see an intersectional approach, one of my biggest take-away was self-advocacy and how important it is to help develop that skill for persons with disabilities.

▮▮ If we're going to build back better, we need to build back together. That means with the full participation of persons with disabilities. It really is nothing without us.

- The Honourable Carla Qualtrough



Keynote Speakers

Bob Rae

Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations

The Honourable Carla Qualtrough

Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Disability Inclusion

David Soltis

Director - Talent Acquisition and Employee Policy | Canada Post

Jannet Nguyen

Advisor - Equity, Diversity and Inclusion | Canada Post

Al Etmanski

Writer - Community Organizer & Disability Advocate

Hassan Yussuff

President - Canadian Labour Congress

The Honourable Perrin Beatty

President and CEO | Canadian Chamber of Commerce



Event Overview

- 23 Parallel Panel Sessions
- 103 Conference Speakers
- 17 Pre-recorded Sessions
- 15 Vignettes
- 2 Pre-Conference Events



Participant Overview

Who attended our event?

- 90 Persons with disabilities
- 60 Federal Government representatives
- 10 Provincial Government representatives (ON)
- 38 Union Workers
- 185 Employees from the public and non-profit sector
- 39 Employers
- 51 Service providers
- 18 Students

Conference Videos

Access the conference recordings:

- Log into: <https://dwconference.unityvirtualevent.com/>
- Click "PROGRAM" - "SESSION VIDEOS"
- Choose the session and click on it
- Click "REGISTER AND ADD TO AGENDA". The Video will then appear on your screen.
- From April 1st onwards, the conference recordings will be available on the [CRWDP](#) and [CCRW](#) websites.

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