# Institute of Public Administration of Canada Toronto Regional Group



2017 –2018 REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

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#### **ABOUT IPAC**

The Institute of Public Administration of Canada (IPAC) is Canada's leading professional organization supporting excellence in the country's public sector. With 19 regional groups across the nation, our members include public servants, academics and others interested in public administration. The Institute also works closely with all levels of government to promote quality public services and practices. IPAC is a recognized leader in research, training, knowledge sharing and outreach including hosting a large number of conferences and events held regionally and nationally. Since the early 1990's, the Institute has helped to export Canadian public sector expertise around the world.

### ABOUT IPAC TORONTO REGIONAL GROUP

The Toronto Regional Group (TRG) serves IPAC members and others interested in public administration in the Toronto region. Each year the TRG organizes topical events that address important and relevant issues in public administration, foster collaboration and innovation, and provide a forum for learning, exchanging ideas and networking. These events range from breakfast and lunch sessions with featured speakers or panels to full-day conferences. The TRG together with the National Capital Region and Southwest Region also hosts the prestigious Lieutenant Governor's Medal of Distinction in Public Administration.

## **IPAC TORONTO BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2017-2018**

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#### REPORT FROM THE CHAIR



I am pleased to present the 2017-2018 Chair's report. It has truly been a rewarding and busy year for the Toronto Regional Group and nothing could have been possible without the commitment and dedication of the TRG board. Below is a summary of a few notable accomplishments:

- Finalization of the IPAC TRG Strategic Plan for 2018-2021 that created a new vision, mission and strategic priorities for the board over the next three years, including launch of our new website.
- ➤ Restructuring of the board of directors to help us deliver on our new mandate within our strategic plan creating various committees at the board level to focus efforts on communications and marketing, volunteering and mentoring, strategic planning and partnerships, etc.
- New partnership with the Ontario Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport for the administration and coordination of the prestigious Lieutenant Governor's Medal of Distinction in Public Administration.
- Numerous full-house events throughout the year focused on key topics of leadership, technologies, cities and diversity.
  - Municipalities of the Future sponsored in partnership with York University, this event brought
    key municipal speakers from all lines of business to discuss the work they are doing and what
    the future for cities holds.
  - Women in Leadership event that focused on courageous leadership and challenges women face in the public sector, as well as strategies and tips.
  - **Disruptive Technologies** held at the Deloitte headquarters in Toronto, this event tackled topics related to artificial intelligence, blockchain, automation, etc.
  - Lieutenant Governor's Medal in Public Administration Award Ceremony our annual ceremony held at the Lieutenant Governor's suite awarded David Bogart this prestigious award in recognition to his dedication to public service and innovation.
  - Annual General Meeting/Networking Event held in the fall each year to recommend the new board of directors for IPAC TRG, board reports and other administration as well as a talk by our LG award recipient.
  - Diversity in Leadership will bring together thought provoking leaders in the area of diversity and inclusion to discuss initiatives and general themes relating to diversity and inclusion.

# REPORT FROM THE CHAIR (CONT'D)

A special thanks is also extended to our Advisory Leadership Committee that have guided and supported the board over the past few years. Our Advisory Leadership Committee is comprised of:

- LeBlanc, Laurie Deputy Minister, Municipal Affairs and Housing
- Menard, Janet Deputy Minister, Children, Community and Social Services
- Steven Davidson Deputy Minister and Associate Secretary of Cabinet, Policy and Delivery,
   Cabinet Office
- Richardson, Deborah Deputy Minister, Ministry of Indigenous Affairs
- Giles Gherson Deputy Minister of Red Tape and Regulatory Burden Reduction, Cabinet Office
- Angus, Helen Deputy Minister, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care
- Derrick Thomson Chief Administrative Officer, City of Guelph
- David Szwarc Chief Administrative Officer, Region of Peel









# 2017 LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S MEDAL OF DISTINCTION IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION



A dedicated public servant for over 49 years, David Bogart is described as a visionary whose contribution to Ontario can best be measured by the improvement in the research capabilities of Ontario's universities, colleges and research hospitals. David helped establish the Ontario Innovation Trust 16 years ago, which was able to award \$845 million to support 1,250 projects at 45 institutions across the Province. David also worked on the first Ontario Health Survey, entry of Ontario into Medicare and the launch of the Ontario Drug Benefit Program. Congratulations from the TRG!

#### **IPAC TRG STRATEGIC PLAN 2018-2020**

