



Atlantic Fire Leadership Conference 2024: Call for Speakers

Atlantic Fire Leadership (AFL) Conference 2024

Summerside, PE June 27-30, 2024

Background:

Every year, the MFCA hosts its Atlantic conference, Atlantic Fire Leadership Conference (AFLC). This Atlantic conference gives leaders in the fire service from across the country, many of whom are also emergency managers, the opportunity to convene for educational and networking purposes. AFLC has run for over 100 years.

During this event, we host our annual general meeting, memorial ceremony, our awards banquet, and take the time to catch up with each other. We hear new topics both from within the membership, and from guests who may be politicians, journalists, researchers, clinicians, policy experts, musicians, artists, athletes among others. We also meet with our partners in industry who showcase the best of their products and services.

The conference committee is looking for the best speakers, with a focus on *Climate change and its impacts to the future of Emergency Management and Fire Services*, to make this an event to remember. The conference will be hosted in Summerside, PE. We look forward to seeing everyone again – including friends in industry, policy, government, and members from across the country. We look forward to hearing your ideas. Thanks for considering your submission! All submissions are due January 29, 2024.

About the Call for Speakers

The call for speakers includes invitations for 45-minute workshops, 1-hour keynote or plenary sessions, 30-minute break out talks, and 15-minute “lightening” talks. The Call for Speakers is in English because the conference runs primarily in English.

Please note that this includes time for questions.

Page 2-3 contains the form and instructions. Submissions are due January 29, 2024.

Instructions and Application Form:

1. Complete one application per suggested session.
2. Answer each question in the designated space respecting the word count limits
3. Use Calibri 11-point font. Please do not attach additional information. It complicates the review.
4. Type your response directly into the space given beside the question.

5. When completed, please save your submission on your desktop in the following format using CAPS in your file name: **LastName_FirstName_TITLE**. Please do not ignore this instruction.
6. Email your submission to **maritimefirechiefsassociation@gmail.com**

Part A: Contact information and information for public facing website*

Proposed session name (10 words max)*	
Session description (50 words max) *	
Name of primary presenter in the following format* <i>Title, First Name Last Name, Credentials (if applicable), Department or Organization, Province</i>	
Please provide a 50 word bio sketch suitable for publication on a website. *	
Webpage/website/video if available*	
Email	
Phone	
Are you a professional speaker?	
Optional headshot URL: If your talk is accepted, we will post your head shot alongside the information above. While this is not part of the review, if you'd like to provide it here, it may be used later in the process. *	
Number of people presenting	
Name of co-presenter in the following format <i>Title, First Name Last Name, Credentials if applicable, Department or Organization, Province *</i>	
Please provide a 50 word bio sketch suitable for publication on a website. *	
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Part B: Preferred presentation format (please consider that about 1/3 of time should be for Q&A)

45-minute workshop (including ~15 min for discussion)	
60-minute plenary or keynote (including ~20 min for discussion)	
30-minute breakout room (including ~ 10 min for discussion)	
15 minute rapid fire presentation (including~ 5 min for discussion)	

Part C: Please describe your presentation in more detail 250 word maximum*

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Part D: If you were to engage the audience on a question related to your presentation, what question would you ask?

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Part E: Is your presentation contingent on a fee, honorarium, travel or accommodation being provided? If yes, please specify what is required i.e., a speaker fee, accommodation, travel etc. Please include a proposed total fee.

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Part F: Please confirm your understanding and agreement of the following:

- MFCA asks all presenters to abide by its equity, diversity and inclusion statement, which is available [here](#).
- If accepted, the MFCA will provide **one complimentary conference registration per speaker team**. All other fees, expenses, honorariums will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- If after acceptance, there are changes in presenters or substantive changes in topic or content from what is proposed here, these must be discussed with and approved by the MFCA. If these are not deemed acceptable to the MFCA, the MFCA reserves the right to withdraw its acceptance of the session.
- All materials prepared for the MFCA may be recorded and available for unlimited educational use by the MFCA on a royalty and cost-free basis.
- Slides will be required by the MFCA for AV purposes in advance of the conference (date to be determined).
- While we welcome industry to contribute to the call for speakers where there are substantive issues for discussion, we do not accept presentations that market a product. The latter should be done through the call for exhibitors and can include a speaking opportunity.
- If accepted, the presentation time will be on either June 28, 29, or 30.

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