

CANHEIT Conference 2023

Proposal submission guidelines

About the annual CANHEIT Conference

Overseen by CUCCIO (the Canadian University Council of CIOs), CANHEIT is the premier national conference that brings together IT professionals from across the post-secondary sector (universities, colleges and polytechnics) to share ideas, showcase best practices and learn from each other.

CANHEIT 2023 Conference: **Strength in Community**

[The 2023 CANHEIT Conference](#) will be hosted at the University of Toronto's St. George campus, with an option to attend virtually. This year's theme encourages presenters to show the community how working together makes our institutions stronger. This theme will be explored through four main streams: Innovation & trends, Collaboration, People & leadership and Security.

How to submit a proposal:

As a conference for attendees, by attendees, it's now your turn to contribute to making CANHEIT the best that it can be! Get ready to share those great ideas, leverage each other's expertise and experiences and show your colleagues that there is strength in community.

Drawing on the vast community of higher education IT leaders, experts and peers, CANHEIT 2023 will provide the opportunity to present and participate in thought provoking presentations on content topics such as:

INNOVATING TOGETHER

What new and exciting trends are you enabling, leveraging or implementing to help your institutions realize their objectives and ambitions? AI, automation, cloud, analytics, hybrid, digital everywhere, no-code applications?

COLLABORATION

How are you collaborating and partnering with each other, with institutional or outside stakeholders; within your organization, across institutions or across the sector? Share some examples of intra- or inter-institutional collaborations and partnerships that have created greater benefits than would have been realized individually, or that would not have been possible otherwise.

PEOPLE & LEADERSHIP

Although technology is key, it is ultimately about people. What are you doing to lead, guide, retain and support your greatest asset – the people? How are you supporting equity, diversity and inclusion, professional (and personal) development or organizational development? How have you overcome challenges or found new opportunities in managing teams who work from home or conduct hybrid meetings? How have you approached recruitment with non-traditional candidates? Have you implemented programs around team mental health, morale or organizational transformation? Tell us about programs that have made a significant difference for your people.

SECURITY AS A TEAM SPORT

Information security will be a topic of attention for the foreseeable future, however as the overall landscape evolves, so must our response. New threats require new approaches; awareness and appreciation for the challenge is on the rise and there is an acknowledgement that cyber security is a village effort! What are you doing, individually or collectively, to respond to the ever-present and ever-changing information security landscape?

Presentation guidelines (required)

- All selected presenters must register and pay as a CANHEIT 2023 registrant and participate in person.
- Presentations should last no longer than 45 minutes, including engagement elements such as polls and Q&A sessions.
- Presentations must align with the CANHEIT 2023 Conference theme, *Strength in Community*, and at least one proposal stream.

- The number of presenters for a single session is limited to five.
- There is no limit on the number of proposals any person or group can submit.
- Presentation submissions must include the title and speaker name(s)/title(s) as participants would like them to appear on the CANHEIT 2023 website and subsequent marketing materials.

To submit a presentation proposal to the CANHEIT 2023 programming committee, [complete the submission form on the Ex Ordo platform](#) by March 22, 2023.

Proposals will be reviewed by the program committee, and applicants will be notified in April 2023. If you have any questions or would like to discuss your submission further, please contact its.eda@utoronto.ca.