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FCM Webinar on Barriers for Women in Local Government

Toward Parity in Municipal Politics is one of FCM's newest projects focusing on increasing women's participation and diversity in the municipal sector. The project is implemented in partnership with the Provincial and Territorial Municipal Associations, Equal Voice and the Canadian Women's Foundation.

Announced by Minister Monsef on November 5th, 2018, [Toward Parity](#) is a 30-month initiative, aimed at addressing some of the systemic barriers faced by women and diverse populations in the municipal sector.

FCM is conducting a variety of consultations with members, stakeholders and champions as a first step in the process. These consultations range from small focus group discussions to wider membership webinars. They will serve to gain insight, a range of perspectives and input on concrete solutions that would inform our national action plan.

NSFM has been actively collaborating with FCM on this file and our members have been invited to attend the Nova Scotia Regional focus group Webinar.

When: March 27, 2019, from 10 :30am - noon

To register:

<https://fcmwebinars.webex.com/fcmwebinars/onstage/g.php?MTID=ecf801d2f734d66340a91ec7310ddd662> [\(Click here to return to top.\)](#)

Housing Survey

We would like to thank everyone who has participated in the provincial survey on housing that we sent out to all mayors and councillors on February 28, 2019. As you recall, Housing Nova Scotia invited municipalities to help shape the Province's new Action Plan on the National Housing Strategy. The Province has received a total of 31 completed surveys from 23 municipalities (10 from CAOs and 21 from elected officials).

For those who haven't had an opportunity to complete the survey, Housing Nova Scotia has agreed to extend the survey period to **March 25, 2019**. You can provide your thoughts and opinions through the online survey or by sending a written statement via email to HousingNS@novascotia.ca. All answers you provide will be kept strictly confidential. For the benefit of our members, Housing Nova Scotia will share aggregate results from this survey at our Spring Workshop, in May 2019.

If you have any questions about the survey, please contact Mr. Stephan Richard via email at stephan.richard@novascotia.ca or by phone at (902) 424-7099.

Please click on the link below to begin.

<https://surveys.gov.ns.ca/LoginCode.aspx?PageNumber=1&SurveyID=71119nIK&>

Thank you for your participation. [\(Click here to return to top.\)](#)

NSFM Spring Workshop—May 8th – 10th, 2019

Holiday Inn Truro, Truro, NS. Look for Registration Information first week in April. [\(Click here to return to top.\)](#)

Atlantic Immigration Summit—May 7th – 8th, 2019

Halifax, NS Click [here](#) for more information. [\(Click here to return to top.\)](#)

Save the Date—Atlantic Asset Management Conference—September 5-6, 2019

"PIECING IT ALL TOGETHER: AWARENESS TO IMPLEMENTATION"

After a successful 2018 Atlantic-wide Asset Management Conference in Moncton, the Atlantic Infrastructure Management Network is excited to be planning the *second Atlantic Asset*

Management Conference, September 5-6, 2019, at the beautiful Sheraton Hotel in St. John's, NL. At the conference you can expect insightful and real-life experience and examples of approaches to asset management from municipalities across Atlantic Canada, as well as inspiring keynotes, workshops, provincial and national updates and more.

If you have topics or case studies you would like to see or share, AIM Network wants to hear from you! Email the details to info@aimnetwork.ca. Watch for a call for presentations coming soon and check for regular updates on AIM Network's website at www.aimnetwork.ca, where you can also access all the 2018 presentations. ([Click here to return to top.](#))



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