



Guest Speakers



Hon. Kaleed Rasheed

Ontario's Associate Minister of Digital Government

Kaleed Rasheed is Ontario's first Associate Minister for Digital Government and is hard at work helping the province become a world-leading digital jurisdiction.

As a long-time champion of Canada's technology industry, he brings extensive private sector experience, spanning banking, services, and telecommunications, to this new role.

A community advocate and a father of five, Minister Rasheed is dedicated to ensuring a future-proof, safe, and prosperous Ontario. His first private member's bill, the Stop Cyberbullying in Ontario Day Act, 2019, passed with unanimous consent of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

Minister Rasheed holds a Bachelor of Business Administration from the University of Guelph-Humber and an MBA from the University of Bradford.



Carol Leaman

CEO, Axonify Inc.

Carol Leaman is the CEO of Axonify Inc., a disruptor in the corporate learning space and innovator behind the world's first Frontline Learning and Communications Platform. Axonify delivers a unique 3-minute a day learning experience that combines brain science, adaptive microlearning, gamification and predictive analytics to increase employee knowledge and the performance necessary for achieving targeted business results. Prior to Axonify, Carol was the CEO of PostRank Inc., a social engagement analytics company that she sold to Google in June 2011. Previously, Carol held CEO positions at several other technology firms, including RSS Solutions and Fakespace Systems, both of which she sold to strategic acquirers. Carol is a frequent speaker, a regular contributor to Fortune magazine and a well-respected thought leader, whose articles appear in



various learning, business and technology publications. She brings her experience and insight to numerous not-for-profit and for-profit boards and has won multiple awards for entrepreneurship.



Fiona Deller

Chief Operating Officer (COO), Future Skills Centre

A seasoned specialist in education policy and initiatives, Fiona Deller has spent much of her career conducting research and evaluation, creating and designing programs related to student equity, educational pathways, teaching and learning, and skills development. She brings her strong experience of operational development to her role as Future Skills Centre’s Chief Operating Officer (COO).

As a member of the executive management team, Fiona plays an essential role in bringing to life FSC’s strategy to strengthen Canada’s skills development ecosystem. She oversees FSC’s day-to-day activities, plans and procedures, and will lead the operations as the Centre continues fostering new approaches to skills development and job training.

Fiona has a background in stakeholder and government relations and strategic operations at a variety of different government agencies. Most recently, she was the senior executive director at the Higher Education Quality Council of Ontario (HEQCO) and prior to this held a senior management position with the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada (CMEC). She has also worked for the Ontario and federal governments. Additionally, Fiona taught program evaluation and performance measurement for 8 years at Ryerson University. Fiona is passionate about designing practical solutions that meet students’ needs, and creating an accessible, user-friendly educational ecosystem.



Rohinton P. Medhora

President, Centre of International Governance Innovation

Rohinton P. Medhora is president of CIGI, joining in 2012. He served on CIGI's former International Board of Governors from 2009 to 2014. Previously, he was vice president of programs at Canada's International Development Research Centre. His fields of expertise are monetary and trade policy, international economic relations and development economics.

Rohinton sits on The Lancet and the Financial Times Commission on Governing Health Futures 2030, as well as the Commission on Global Economic Transformation, co-chaired by Nobel economics laureates Michael Spence and Joseph Stiglitz. He serves on the boards of the Institute for New Economic Thinking and the McLuhan Foundation and is on the advisory boards of the WTO Chairs Programme, UNU-MERIT, and Global Health Centre. Rohinton is also Chair of the Ontario Workplace Recovery Advisory Committee.

Rohinton received his doctorate in economics in 1988 from the University of Toronto, where he subsequently taught for a number of years. In addition to his Ph.D., Rohinton earned his B.A. and M.A. at the University of Toronto, where he majored in economics.

He has published extensively on these issues in professional and non-technical journals, and has produced several books: *Finance and Competitiveness in Developing Countries* (Routledge, 2001) and *Financial Reform in Developing Countries* (Macmillan, 1998), which he co-edited with José Fanelli. In 2013, he was co-editor of *Canada-Africa Relations: Looking Back, Looking Ahead*, which is volume 27 in the influential *Canada Among Nations* book series. In 2014, he co-edited *International Development: Ideas, Experience, and Prospects* (Oxford University Press) and *Crisis and Reform: Canada and the International Financial System*, which is volume 28 in the *Canada Among Nations* book series.