How to Get the Most Out of the Quebec ACE

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Accommodations

- Location/Accommodations web site: https://www.awma.org/ace2019accommodations
- **Hilton Quebec**
  - Standard $229 CAD; Deluxe $249 CAD
  - Book your room for ACE2019 at the Hilton
- **Hotel Le Concorde**
  - $179 CAD Single; $204 CAD Double (breakfast included)
  - Book your room at the Hotel Le Concorde (In the box GROUP CODE, enter 619941) When calling the reservation line, please mention ACE 2019 Par CCQ and the folio number 487391 to get the A&WMA group block rate.
Registration

- Registration web page: [https://www.awma.org/ace2019registration](https://www.awma.org/ace2019registration)

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All rates are in US dollars.
Registration – Monitor Option

- A less expensive approach is to volunteer as a monitor.
- The monitor web page is: https://www.awma.org/acemonitors
- Monitors are eligible for complimentary registration based on the amount of time they volunteer.
- Monitors must register in advance and take an on-line training session.
- There is one monitor in each technical session.
- Monitors make sure that all the AV equipment works, take attendance, and maintain the sign-in sheets for continuing education credits.
Getting to Quebec City

- **Flying**
  - There are not a lot of flights directly to Quebec City
  - Most flights require changing planes in either Toronto or Montreal
  - If you fly to Canada you need a full Passport

- **Train**
  - There is a train that leaves from Union Station that goes to Montreal and then you will have to transfer
  - When I looked into it I had to stay overnight in Montreal to make a connection to Quebec City.

- **Drive**
  - It is about a 750 miles but it could be a pretty vacation drive

- **Combinations**
  - Fly to Montreal – Train to Quebec: This is what I did for the planning meeting in January.
Program

- The Schedule-at-a-Glance and the Preliminary Technical Program is posted at the conference web site: [https://www.awma.org/ace2019](https://www.awma.org/ace2019)
- Early in June there will be a way to download a schedule on your cell phone to set up a personal schedule
- Pre-conference meetings start on Sunday, June 23
- Conference starts on Tuesday, June 25 and runs through Thursday, June 27
- Professional Development Courses are on Friday, June 28. They used to be on Sunday and Monday

**NOTE:** Monday, June 24^{th} is the Quebec National Holiday, Saint-Jean-Baptiste Day (St. John the Baptist Day)
Pre-conference meetings

- Sunday, 23 June: A&WMA Board of Directors Meeting
- Monday, 24 June: A&WMA Councils Meetings
  - Education Council: Responsible for publications, Environmental Education programs, and Public Education
  - Sections and Chapters Council: Coordinates Section and Chapter programs
  - Technical Council: Organizes the technical program for the ACE, and specialty conferences.
  - Young Professionals Council: Coordinates special events for members up to age 35.
Exhibitors/Poster Session

• The poster session is in the Exhibit Hall this year.
• Exhibitors and poster presenters can set up on Monday, June 24\(^{th}\) from 2:00 – 6:00 pm or Tuesday, June 25\(^{th}\) from 7:00 – 10:00 am.
• The Exhibit Hall grand opening is Tuesday, June 25\(^{th}\) at 10:30 am and closes at 5:30 pm.
• The Exhibit Hall is open from 8:00 am to 6:30 pm on Wednesday, June 26.
• Exhibitors tear-down from 6:30 – 8:00 pm on Wednesday, June 26\(^{th}\).
Keynote and Networking

- Keynote plenary program runs from 8:30 – 10:30 am on Tuesday, June 25th.
- Networking events come with conference registration. The web page is: https://www.awma.org/ace2019events
- Events include:
  - Exhibit Hall Grand Opening Lunch
  - Women’s Professional Development Workshop
  - Opening Reception – Welcome to Quebec City
  - Young Professional/Student Networking Reception
  - Annual Honors & Awards Ceremony and Luncheon ($50 ticket required)
  - Scholarship Raffle Drawing
Technical Program

- The Preliminary Technical Program can be found at: https://www.awma.org/ace2019
- Manuscripts are due now for review
- Information that will appear in the full program must be finalized by Today (April 24th)!
  - Title
  - Author and co-authors name and affiliations
  - Information needs to be submitted to the Harvester web site.
  - Panel Synopsis (which includes names and affiliations of panelists as well as session chair and co-chair)
- We can be flexible about the platform and poster manuscripts but you must ask for an extension.
Technical Presentation Formats

• Presentation documents will be published in the technical proceedings which is published on-line soon after the conference.
• All presentations will be in English.
• Exactly half the abstracts submitted were from outside the US.
• To appear in the proceedings the paper must be presented at the conference.
• The Author Resources web page is: https://www.awma.org/ace2019authors
• Poster presenters can also submit a presentation for publication in the proceedings but it is not required.
• Panel presentations can be submitted for the proceedings but normally are not.
Technical Presentation Formats

- For platform presentations there are three publication options:
  - Full Manuscripts: typically 7-16 pages. They receive a more detailed technical review.
  - Extended Abstract: typically 4-6 pages that provides an overview of the subject. There is some technical review.
  - Slide Presentation: 10-20 slides. Not much technical review.
- In addition to a full manuscript or extended abstract, the author can elect to include the PowerPoint presentation in the proceedings.
Technical Program – Get Involved

- The ACE program is developed by the Technical Council
- The Tech Council is made up of 4 Groups, 10 Divisions and (2 letter abbreviations) 25 Technical Coordinating Committees (TCCs) (3 letter abbreviations)
- The process starts with the TCC meetings during lunch on Tuesday and Wednesday by setting up the list of topics to be included in the Call for Abstracts for the next ACE
- TCCs are always looking for volunteers
- TCC Officers typically rotate from Secretary to Vice Chair to Chair, serving 2-3 year terms at each office
- Next year’s ACE will be held in San Francisco, CA
Critical Review

- The Critical Review topic this year is “Effective Monitoring Programs to Assess the Ecosystem Effects of Pollutant Emissions from Canada’s Oil Sands”
- The author is Dr. Jeffrey Brook
- The Critical Review will be held on Thursday (June 25th in the morning)
- The Critical Review web site is: https://www.awma.org/acecriticalreview
Professional Development Courses

- Professional development courses are offered on Friday, 28 June for this ACE because of the Holiday on Monday.
- The professional development course web page is: https://www.awma.org/ace2019courses
- There are 8 courses being offered but be sure to register early because courses will be canceled if there are not enough people registered.
What to see – Technical Tours

- Sign up for technical tours when you register. Tours will be canceled if there are not enough people signed up
  - Technological Park R & D Tour to INO: National Optics Institute, CRIQ: Industrial Research Center of Quebec, and INRS: National Institute for Scientific Research
    Tuesday, June 25, 12:30 pm–4:30 pm
  - ALCOA Aluminum Plant, Wednesday, June 26, 8:00 am–12:00 pm
  - Quebec City Municipal Waste Incinerator, Thursday, June 27, 1:30 pm–3:30 pm
What to see – Outside the Doors

- There is a good summary of things to see in and around Quebec City in the All About ACE brochure available at: https://www.awma.org/Files/ACE%202019/All%20About%20ACE%20revised%20reduced%20.pdf

- There is a video put together to advertise Quebec City at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YoWa1xtnob4
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