# SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION MANITOBA | JANUARY 2014



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**2014 National Conference** 

Important Notice Call for Nominations



June 11 to 13, 2014 in Edmonton, Alberta. Registration and the program will be available in February 2014 From the oil sands to the northern lights, to the people that call the province home, Alberta is awash in the kind of vibrant energy that drives business success.

Feel the Energy

Make plans today to join your SCM colleagues from across Canada to harness the power of collective knowledge and feel the energy that drives today's most prosperous companies.

Why the 2014 National Conference in Edmonton?

- It is the premier supply chain event in Canada. Learning is facilitated via general sessions, case studies, facilitated discussions, organized networking, and keynote speakers.
- It is content-rich, with education sessions, preconference seminars, and keynote addresses that will be packed full of knowledge and insight to aid in creating and managing an effective and strategic supply chain.
- Gives you the opportunity to hear from industry experts on a vast array of supply chainrelated topics.
- Provides insights and practical solutions to challenges faced by supply chain professionals which can be applied immediately.
- Allows you to interact with other Canadian supply chain professionals and learn best practices specific to this country.

For more info or to register: www.scmanational.ca/events/scma-national-conference

## **Take Us to Your Leader**

SCMA's new vision is to ensure that "Employers recognize and value the contribution of supply chain management professionals to the success of their organizations."

In order to do that, we need to understand what employers think about our profession, our association and our training programs. That information will, in turn, drive our marketing messaging and program development over the next couple of years.

Between February 19 and March 14, 2014, SCMA is going to interview 500 employers (the target will be CEO's, CFO's, COO's and other senior management in human resources and supply chain functional areas) over the next couple of months in order to gather this information. If you would like us to include your company's management in the survey sample, please send an email to: *takeustoyourleader@scmanational.ca* with the following information:

- Your name and title
- Your company name and industry sector
- Your senior manager's name, title and telephone number

Is your organization already a strong champion of strategic supply chain management? They can tell us what we need to know to take the profession to the next level. Does your organization still see supply chain management as simply a tactical function? We can learn what's driving that impression and get messages out there to change their minds. We look forward to hearing from you!

## Upcoming Events

**Events:** Dinner Meeting: By-law Review February 12 Winnipeg Winter Club

Annual General Meeting April 16 Winnipeg Winter Club

Member Appreciation Night March 20 Windsor Room RAMADA Viscount Gort

Workshops: Communication and Relational Skills Workshop (SCMP & SMT) February 6 and 7

Winnipeg Winter Club

**Ethical Behaviour and Social Responsibility (SCMP)** Postponed – Dates TBD Winnipeg Winter Club

Introduction to Accounting & Finance (SMT) February 27 & 28 Winnipeg Winter Club

Competitive Bidding, Contract Preparation & Contract Management (SCMP & SMT) –

March 13 & 14 Winnipeg Winter Club

Introduction to Marketing (SMT) May 8 & 9 Winnipeg Winter Club

#### **Courses:**

Module 8, Supply Chain Management for Services, Capital Goods & Major Projects February 25

Canadian Mennonite University Module 5, Knowledge

*Management* April 15 Canadian Mennonite University

## **Member Events**

What is SCMA? It's the Members! It's our collective knowledge and how we interact to form a supportive, leading edge, supply chain expertise network that is SCMA. We've listened to you and for 2014 we have more member events planned to help you access and maintain that network are zero- low cost and easy on the time commitment.

#### Networking, Beer & Nachos

On Monday, January 20th a group of about 20 met at Average Joe's (the lounge at the RAMADA Viscount Gort) after work. We had a drink, shared some stories and enjoyed the nachos. Our hosts at the Viscount even threw in a free appetizer for us, which we made short work of! Members who attended commented on how great it was to be able to connect with members they hadn't spoke to before, and just have a quick get together after work. More of these informal events will be planned, look for the next one in May.

#### **Member Appreciation Night**

Please set-aside Thursday March 20th on your calendars for a fun night to celebrate being part of SCMA MB. There is no up-front cost to members (after your first drink, it will be a cash bar), appetizers will be served. Members may also invite, or 'sponsor' up to one person to this event: invitee must be someone interested in joining SCMA-MB and is either presently working in supply chain, or majoring in supply chain at a postsecondary institution. This event is largely made possible by our new advertising partner the RAMADA Viscount

Gort and will be held at the Windsor Room on the second floor of the hotel. We are looking for prizes for this event, if you organization can supply promotional items or gift cards, please contact Loreen. We will also be holding a 50/50 draw: you could walk home with cold hard cash to accompany your great memories of this fun filled event.

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

The call for Nominations to elect Officers and Directors has been issued. The following positions are available:

President – 3 year term Director of Operations – 2 year term Director of Finance – 1 year term Director of Marketing – 2 year term Director of Accreditation – 2 year term Director of Membership – 1 year term

*The deadline to apply is March 1, 2014. For a Call for Nominations Form please contact the SCMA MB office at 204-231-0965 or email: info@scmamb.ca* 

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