



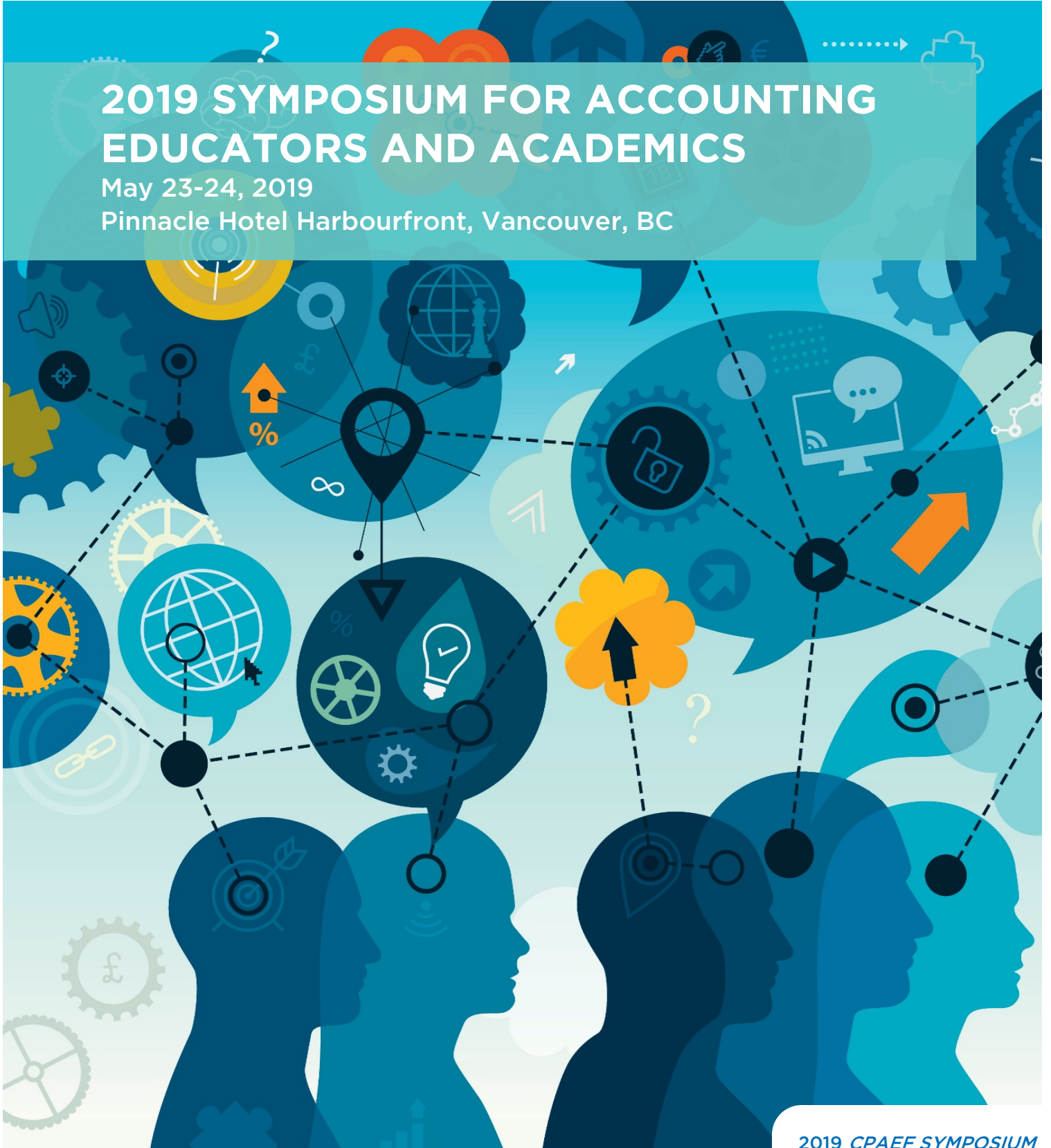
**CPA**

CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS'  
EDUCATION FOUNDATION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

# 2019 SYMPOSIUM FOR ACCOUNTING EDUCATORS AND ACADEMICS

May 23-24, 2019

Pinnacle Hotel Harbourfront, Vancouver, BC



# Agenda – Supporting Success: *NOW and into the FUTURE*

## DAY 1 | Thursday, May 23, 2019 (6.75 CPD hours)

7:30-8:30am Registration & Networking Breakfast

8:30-8:45am Opening Remarks from the CPA Education Foundation of BC Board Chair

*Indigenous Acknowledgement*

*Brenda Waechter, FCPA, FCGA*

8:45-10:15am Supporting Indigenous Student Success

*Dr. Virginia Drywater-Whitekiller, University of Oklahoma*

10:15-10:30am Networking Break

10:30am-12:00pm Developing Blockchain Solutions and Software Tools to Analyze Blockchain Transactions

*Sheldon Bennett MBA, CFE, DMG Blockchain Solutions Inc.*

12:00-1:00pm Networking Lunch and Table Discussions

1:00-1:20pm Research -Does the large quantity of information in corporate disclosures hinder/enhance price in the capital markets?

*Dr. Karel Hrazdil, PhD, CPA, CGA, SFU | Beedie School of Business*

1:30-3:00pm Rising Expectations of Corporate Reporting – Navigating the Landscape of Non-Financial Disclosures

*Christie Stephenson, Peter Dhillon Centre for Business Ethics at UBC*

3:00-3:15pm Networking Break

3:15-4:45pm Developing and Encouraging Entrepreneurial Competencies in CPAs

*Richard Lancaster CPA, CMA, Black Widow Winery; Matthew Anderson CPA, CA, A+K Robotics*

4:45-5:00pm Update from CPABC and CPAEF

*Lori Mathison LLB FCPA FCGA, CPABC*

5:00pm CPAEF Governors' Reception

*Sponsored by CPABC*

## DAY 2 | Friday, May 24, 2019 (5.25 CPD hours)

7:30-8:30am Networking Breakfast and Info Session by CPABC Recruitment Team (optional)

*Jessica Chan, CPABC*

8:30-8:40am Opening Remarks

*Judith Watson FCPA FCMA, Capilano University*

8:40-9:00am Research: Cost and Benefits of Key Audit Matter Reporting

*Dr. Fred Pries PhD, FCPA, FCA*

9:00am-10:30am Developing Data Analytics and Information System (DAIS) Competencies

*Dr. Efrim Boritz, PhD, FCPA, FCA, University of Waterloo*

10:30-10:45am Networking Break

10:45am-12:15pm How Taxation Policy Impacts CPAs

*Dr. Kevin Milligan PhD, Vancouver School of Economics at UBC*

12:15-1:15pm Networking Lunch and Table Discussions

1:15pm-2:00pm Impact of the updates to the CPA Competency Map on PSIs and Undergraduate Instruction

*Lara Greguric, CPA, CA, CPA Western School of Business*

2:00pm-3:00pm Review of Reporting Issues in the Cannabis Industry

*Anita Cyr, CPA, CA, BC Securities Commission*

3:00pm-3:15pm Closing Remarks

*Keri Norrie, FCPA, FCA, FCGA, Camosun College*

# Speakers

**Matthew Anderson CPA CA** is co-founder of A&K Robotics in Vancouver. He has held roles in corporate finance and business development and has taught accounting at Arora College. Matthew is proud to have received the 2018 Early Achievement Award from CPABC.

**Sheldon Bennett MBA CFE** is the COO of DMG Blockchain Solutions Inc. a TSX Venture Exchange listed company. DMG manages, operates and develops end-to-end digital solutions to monetize the Blockchain ecosystem. He has presented his views at several professional association conferences across Canada.

**Dr. Efrim Boritz PhD FCPA FCA** is Head of Assurance and Director of the University of Waterloo Centre for Information Integrity and Information Systems Assurance and the CPA Ontario Chair in Accounting. Efrim led the team that developed the recent changes to the CPA Competency Map for inclusion of Data Analytics and Information Systems (DAIS).

**Jessica Chan MBA** is Senior Student Recruitment Officer at CPABC. Through presentations, sponsorships and networking events at post-secondary institutions across BC, she identifies potential CPA candidates and strengthens the CPA brand. CPA Members interested in getting involved and sharing experiences with post-secondary students can reach out to Jessica for more information. Jessica is an MBA Ambassador with the SFU|Beedie School of Business.

**Anita Cyr CPA CA** is the Associate Chief Accountant at the BC Securities Commission. Her office communicates with companies and their advisors about financial reporting requirements, liaises with standard setters, and participates in public policy initiatives that involve financial reporting issues.

**Dr. Virginia Drywater-Whitekiller Ed.D** is the Fulbright Chair Jarislowsky Foundation Visiting Research Chair in Aboriginal Studies at Vancouver Island University. She is a faculty member at Northeastern State University. Virginia is a proud member of the Cherokee Nation.

**Lara Greguric CPA CA** is Executive Vice President, Learning Development and Outreach at the CPA Western School of Business. She has held various education leadership positions and is currently responsible for enabling student competency development, overseeing educational contractor relations, and leading stakeholder outreach.

**Dr. Karel Hrazdil PhD CPA CGA** is an associate professor in accounting at SFU|Beedie School of Business. He enjoys teaching as well as researching financial accounting and reporting in capital markets. Karel holds a black belt in judo, enjoys scuba diving and skiing. He has competed in racketlon (which combines four racquet sports).

**Richard (Dick) Lancaster MSc MBA CPA CMA** is founder of Black Widow Winery in Naramata Bench, BC which he runs with his wife Shona. Together, they produce 2,200 cases of wine each year. Many of their hand crafted wines have won awards at national and international competitions.

**Lori Mathison LLB FCPA FCGA** is CEO and President of CPABC. She leads the organization's Executive Management Committee and represents the province on the national Council of Chief Executives for the Canadian CPA profession. She currently serves as Chair of the Greater Vancouver Board of Trade.

**Dr. Kevin Milligan PhD** is Professor of Economics at the Vancouver School of Economics at UBC. He is also the NBER Research Associate and C.D. Howe Institute Research Fellow. Kevin's research spans the fields of public and labour economics, with a focus on the economics of children and the elderly, as well as other tax and labour market policy topics.

**Keri Norrie FCPA FCA FCGA** co-chair of the symposium planning committee and a governor of the CPAEF. She is the Chair of the Accounting and Finance Division at Camosun College and is also actively involved as a facilitator and content author for the CPAs.

**Dr. Fred Pries FCPA FCA** is professor emeritus in the Department of Management at the University of Guelph. His area of expertise includes accounting, entrepreneurship and innovation management. He received the Howard Teall Award for Innovation in Accounting Education from the CAAA. Fred is the former vice-chair of the Canadian AASB and former partner at KPMG.

**Christie Stephenson** is Executive Director of the Peter P. Dhillon Centre for Business Ethics at the University of British Columbia. She is an Adjunct Professor in the UBC|Sauder School of Business specializing in business, diversity, ethics and sustainability.

**Brenda Waechter FCPA FCGA** is Chair of the CPAEF Board. She is a former board chair of the legacy CGA-BC Association and operates her own public practice firm in Vancouver.

**Judith Watson FCPA FCMA** is Co-Chair of the Symposium Planning Committee and Vice-Chair of the CPAEF Board. She is a faculty member and Accounting Convenor at Capilano University.

## Thank you to the 2019 Symposium Planning Committee

*Keri Norrie FCPA FCA FCGA (Co-Chair)*

*Judith Watson FCPA FCMA (Co-Chair)*

*Chris Burnley FCPA FCA*

*Dr. Sandra Chamberlain PhD CPA CMA*

*David Chiang CPA CA (Staff Support)*

*Scott Sinclair FCPA FCA*



## To Register

Register online by clicking on [this link](https://events.eply.com/SymposiumCPAEF2019), or go to: <https://events.eply.com/SymposiumCPAEF2019>

If you have any questions, please direct your inquiries to Shobna Nand, Coordinator, Member Services at CPABC at [snand@bccpa.ca](mailto:snand@bccpa.ca)

**Register soon and no later than April 22, 2019** so that we may confirm attendance numbers.

## Paperless Symposium

The symposium is paperless. Please download the presentations from the CPAEF website ([www.bccpa.ca/cpaef/helping-faculty/](http://www.bccpa.ca/cpaef/helping-faculty/)) prior to attending the symposium. Or you can access the presentations using complimentary wifi available in the meeting room.

## Who can register

This symposium is open to CPABC members who are: in academia (contract or tenured) at an accredited BC post-secondary institution who can confirm that a significant majority of their income (75%) comes from their full-time teaching or other scholarly activities (such as authoring textbooks, research papers, or articles).

If you did not receive this invitation directly, but are interested in attending the symposium, please email Shobna Nand at CPABC at [snand@bccpa.ca](mailto:snand@bccpa.ca) to be considered.

## Cost & Expenses

The symposium registration is complimentary though the number of available registrations is limited. A no show fee of \$200 will be charged.

For members living and working outside the Lower Mainland the CPAEF will cover reasonable travel expenses such as economy return flight/ferry/mileage and up to two nights of accommodation (Wednesday & Thursday). For members living and working in the Fraser Valley, the CPAEF will cover reasonable travel/mileage and one night of accommodation (Thursday).

[See separate information sheet for more details on this.](#)

Attendees who require accommodation are responsible for making their own arrangements, and **MUST** book at the official conference hotel (Pinnacle Hotel Vancouver Harbourfront, Vancouver) using reservation web-link <https://book.passkey.com/event/49826542/owner/2075/home> before April 22, 2019. The CPAEF will only reimburse up to the amount charged by the Pinnacle Harbourfront Hotel (\$269 per night).

## Location & Facility

Pinnacle Hotel Harbourfront  
1133 West Hastings Street  
Vancouver, BC V6E 3T3

Symposium dress code is business casual. We suggest dressing in layers since meeting room temperatures may fluctuate.