

## Supporting Women in Trades

November 6 & 7, 2018 - Halifax Marriott Harbourfront

### Day One - Tuesday, November 6

7:30 – 8:30am	Registration and Breakfast
8:30am	Opening Remarks
9:00am	<b>Keynote Address: Mandy Rennehan</b> Blue-Collar CEO™ & Founder of Freshco.ca (not the grocery store!)
10:00am	<b>Apprentice Panel: Building the Future</b>
11:00am	Networking Break
11:15am – 12:30pm	<b>Creating Momentum in Nova Scotia</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When Partners Champion a Women-Centred Model</li> </ul>
12:30 – 1:30pm	Lunch & Panel <b>Tradeswomen Panel: Thriving in the Trades</b>
1:30 – 2:30pm	<b>Educator Panel: Preparing Women for Success in the Skilled Trades</b> Learn about current initiatives at colleges from across the country. Explore how education is lining up with workplace realities and what is being done to encourage, support and retain young women who want to pursue skilled trades careers
2:30pm	Break
2:45 – 3:45pm	<b>Concurrent A: Recruitment, Skills &amp; Employment, Part I</b>
	A1: Office to Advance Women Apprentices
	A2: Women Building Futures
	A3: New Boots: Progressing Women in Trades
4:00 – 5:00pm	A4. Women in Trades Discussion Forum
	<b>Concurrent B: Recruitment, Skills &amp; Employment, Part II</b>
	B1: BC Construction Foundation
	B2: Women's Enterprise Skills Training of Windsor Inc.
5:30 – 7:30pm	B3: Women in Resource Development Corporation
	B4. Women in Trades Discussion Forum
5:30 – 7:30pm	Networking Reception

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### Day Two - Wednesday, November 7

8:00 – 8:45am	Breakfast
8:45am	Day 2 Opening Remarks
9:00am	<b>Employer Panel: Employer Perspectives &amp; Small-Group Discussion</b> Learn key elements that contribute to a welcoming workplace and what changes or supports would advance female inclusion in the skilled trades. Discuss what employers can do attract and retain female tradespeople.
11:00am	Break
11:15am – 12:30pm	<b>Concurrent C: Supporting Retention &amp; Addressing Workplace Culture</b>
	C1: BC Centre for Women in the Trades
	C2: BuildForce Canada
	C3: Build Together
	C4: Women in Trades Discussion Forum
12:30 – 1:30pm	Networking Lunch
1:30 – 2:30pm	<b>Panel: Female Inclusion from a Government Perspective</b> Get practical information from apprenticeship authorities about women in trades initiatives and learn about available supports and funding. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Employment and Social Development Canada</li> <li>• BC Industry Training Authority</li> <li>• Saskatchewan Apprenticeship and Trade Certification Commission</li> </ul>
2:30pm	Wrap-Up: What did we learn? What comes next?
3:00pm	Closing Remarks