CFA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Building a Resilient Future for Canadian Agriculture
Ottawa, ON - Delta Ottawa City Centre - March 7th, 2023



CFA Policy Workshop

MARCH 6TH, 2023 - 8:30AM EST TO NOON EST

8:30 to 9:15: National Workforce Strategic Plan Panel

Panel focus: This panel will share information about the National Workforce Strategic Plan including highlights to date, and how to engage moving forward. The panel will explore what the NWSP means for farm leaders & industry stakeholders, the benefits of a collaborative approach that clarifies roles for industry and government, how it aims to address long-standing labour shortages, and will also touch on the roles of automation, infrastructure, and data.

Moderated by Jennifer Wright, Executive Director, Canadian Agriculture Human Resources Council

Cyr Couturier, Director & Executive Board Member, CAHRC, CFA, CAIA, NAIA & Aquaculture Scientist, School of Fisheries & Marine Institute at Memorial University

Brenna Mahoney, Executive Director, Keystone Agricultural Producers

Julie Bissonnette, President, Quebec Federation of Young Farmers

Peggy Brekveld, President, Ontario Federation of Agriculture

9:15 to 9:30: NWSP Panel Q&A

9:30 to 10:00 : On-Farm Climate Action Fund Panel

Panel focus: An opportunity for OFCAF recipients to share insights from the program experience to date, including lessons learned and best practices in supporting adoption of environmental BMPs.

Keith Currie, President-Elect, Canadian Federation of Agriculture - Moderator

Donald Killorn, Executive Director, PEI Federation of Agriculture

Angela Straathof, Program Director, Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association

Lynda Nicol, Executive Director, Manitoba Association of Watersheds

Marco Valicenti, Director General, Innovation Programs, AAFC

10:00 to 10:15: OFCAF Panel Q&A

10:15 - 10:30: Health Break

10:30 - Noon: Sustainable Agriculture Strategy Engagement Session

Scott Ross, Executive Director, CFA; with Sophie Beecher, Director General, AAFC – Brief Overview of SAS

Science & Technology Rep - AAFC - present on their research on emissions reduction pathways

Sarah Delisle, Coordinator - Climate Change in Agriculture Project (Quebec) from AgriClimat speaking on research coming out of Quebec.

Q&A - Emissions reduction outcomes, data requirements and priority actions.