

Chief Executive Officers Group Report to the Board

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Welcome and participation

I am very pleased to assume the role of chair of the group. Chief executive officers from all of the regulators except for OIQ participated in the meeting of the CEO Group on Wednesday and Thursday this week.

Engineers and Geoscientists New Brunswick was represented by Carol MacQuarrie, Registrar and Director of Public Affairs.

We were joined by Heidi Yang, Interim APEGA CEO.

Topics

- adoption of the National Code of Ethics
- moving to competency-based assessment of experience
- ensuring continuing competence of our members
- aligning the iron ring ceremony with the values of the profession
- 30 by 30
- management of NPPE should be transferred to Engineers Canada
- regulation of technicians and technologists
- quality of 43-101 and 51-101 submissions
- international registers

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National code of Ethics

We finalized our discussion about the importance of adopting a national code.

For example – does it prevent us from transferring discipline decisions if they are rendered in one jurisdiction on an element that is not present in another jurisdiction's code. We plan to gather additional information about the potential impacts of not having a common code of ethics.

There are still some barriers to full adoption. Some associations would require a member vote to adopt the code of ethics.

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National Code of Ethics

At the last meeting, the CEO group suggested that the Board consider amending the National Code of Ethics to include the concept of integrity.

We are very pleased to hear that the Qualifications Board has, in the last three months, received the request, reviewed the code and proposed amendments, ensured alignment with the Framework element on Code of Ethics, and brought the document back to the Board at this meeting for approval.

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Competency-based Assessment

The CEO group

- expressed high interest in competency-based assessment of experience
- reaffirmed support for EC to work with APEGBC to make the APEGBC tool available to regulators

EC will provide change management assistance to introduce competency-based assessment to volunteers and staff, and fund training modules for applicants and assessors.

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Ensuring continuing competence

The group confirmed continuing competence of its members as a priority and plans to

- review continuing professional development programs with a view to aligning with the Framework element
- align efforts to develop practice guidelines
- consider how to streamline CPD reporting obligations in multiple jurisdictions

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Work undertaken by CEO

- consider developing a strategy to work with the Wardens to advance the values of the profession
- consider a letter to the Wardens asking them to adopt and support the 30 by 30 initiative
- ask the Deans to consider an enrolment policy change that will help address diversity

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Recommendations

- address diversity and gender imbalance on Board committees
- consider adding a diversity objective and targets to accreditation criteria
- nominate A. English and L. White as the CEO group representatives on the Linkage Task Force

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Questions?



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Thank you

