

# Presidents Group Report

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# Attendees

1. **Alberta** – Tracey Stock, Past President
2. **BC** – Mark Porter, Chair
3. **Manitoba** – Mike Houvardas, Vice President
4. **New Brunswick** – Shawn Amberman, President
5. **Newfoundland and Labrador** – Derek Follet, Vice Chair
6. **Nova Scotia** – Sue Molloy, President (Virtual)
7. **Northwest Territories and Nunavut** – Paul Guy, President
8. **Ontario** – Fred Saghezchi, President
9. **PEI** – Adam Mckenzie. President
10. **Quebec** – Sophie Larivière-Mantha, Chair
11. **Saskatchewan** – Ian Farthing, President
12. **Yukon** – Adam Wallace, President



# Agenda

<b>13:00-13:15</b>	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>
<b>13:15-13:30</b>	Review of Terms of Reference
<b>13:30 – 14:00</b>	EC President – Update and Discussion - Mike Wrinch
<b>14:00 – 14:30</b>	EC Governance Review –Update and Discussion - Melanie Ouellette
<b>14:30 - 14:45</b>	Break
<b>14:45 - 15:30</b>	Review of Feb 27 <sup>th</sup> and April 1 <sup>st</sup> meeting discussions and actions
<b>15:30 - 16:00</b>	Roundtable and Discussion – Items for morning and President <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Harmonisation</li><li>• Re-occurring issues</li><li>• Right to Title</li></ul>
<b>16:15 - 16:30</b>	Wrap Up and Summary Appointment of Chair for next meeting



# Engineers Canada President Discussion

## Key Takeaways

Clarification on the role / authority of the Presidents i.e. advisory group to the board of Engineers Canada

Harmonisation - We should hold CEO's accountable to provide updates to us as a group. EC is directed to facilitate this.

Futures of Engineering Accreditation update. Concern over making sure that we considering all implications of the changes as it moves through the committee and pilot process.

What does the future look like? – should we be moving toward a one licensing model in the long term. Recognizing this is not a straightforward task but could be in the interest of the public and engineers

# Engineers Canada Governance Review

## Key Takeaways

Presidents group are pleased to see this work being done

Would like to be involved in further consultation and will plan a specific meeting on this topic to coincide with consultations with individual regulators

# Review of February and April meetings & actions

## Actions and Summary

Terminology and Definition of Engineering on the website concerns have been raised to EC and Qualifications Board – All sides are in agreement to fix the issue. In Progress

Harmonisation

Ensure that Harmonisation efforts are reported on to the individual regulator boards consistently.

Consider extending and improving recognition of CPD from other jurisdictions as a specific harmonisation effort

# Roundtable

## Actions and Summary

Interprovincial Mobility and Government focus

Believe that we are caught in the crossfire for the most part. Engineers are generally doing well with response times for interprovincial licensing requests.

However, recognize that there is real focus from Provincial and Federal governments on this: eg New Brunswick, PEI and others. *(NB being pushed to respond in 5 days and allow applicant to practice)*

Should we be considering a National one licence model ( eg Lawyers) as a goal.  
Discussion on what that could look like at a high level.



# Roundtable

## Actions and Summary

### Other

Discussed AI: Quebec is unable to pursue a company using AI to generate engineering and called an Engineer, Alberta is looking to tether AI to a registrant.

Discussed the issue of legislation changes that allow the right to title for software engineers and the implication of those changes beyond software.





# Next Steps and Chair

## Summary

Having the EC Board Chair is valuable, Could we extend this to the EC CEO also

The group is keen to continue to have interim meetings – to help with continuity, Will look to organise an interim meeting over the summer. This can be separate or part of the follow up governance review meeting

Sophie Larivière-Mantha will be the next chair.