

# Nadia Todorova named CDAO chairwoman

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Nadia Todorova, executive director of the Residential and Civil Construction Alliance of Ontario (RCCAO) is the new chair of the Construction & Design Alliance of Ontario (CDAO).

A collaborative organization of associations with mandates related to Ontario's infrastructure, CDAO is a forum for discussion, development and advocacy of the broader construction industry's issues related to government policy, legislation and/or regulation in the province. The organization develops consensus opinions and research-based recommendations to inform Ontario's provincial and municipal governments to assist in their planning of infrastructure and other construction projects.

"Leading the CDAO is a tremendous honour, and we are eager to strengthen its role in driving impactful change for our industry in navigating the economic and regulatory environments our members confront every day," stated Todorova. "I want to thank Bart Kanters for his incredible leadership over the past two years, as well as Sharon Portelli for her valuable contributions, particularly in leading the successful 2023 Procurement Day. Both have been instrumental in the association's progress, and we are grateful for their service."

CDAO is comprised of 17 organizations: the Association of Consulting Engineering Companies-Ontario (ACEC-Ontario), Association of Registered Interior Designers of Ontario (ARIDO), Concrete Ontario, Heavy Construction Association of Toronto (HCAT), Mechanical Contractors Association of Ontario (MCAO), Ontario Association of Architects (OAA), Ontario Association of Certified Engineering Technicians and Technologists (OACETT), Ontario Association of Landscape Architects (OALA), Ontario Electrical League (OEL), Ontario General Contractors Association (OGCA), Ontario Professional Planners Institute (OPPI), Ontario Road Builders' Association (ORBA), Ontario Sewer & Watermain Contractors Association (OSWCA), Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE), Residential and Civil Construction Alliance of Ontario (RCCAO), Residential Construction Council of Ontario (RESCON), and Surety Association of Canada (SAC).

"The CDAO is an integral and collaborative forum, bringing together the alliances and stakeholders that make up the construction sector in Ontario," added Todorova. "Given the wealth of expertise around the table, I look forward to the impactful work that CDAO can do including to advance the development of a procurement guide for industry and public owners, and serving the needs of our members."

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