



# INSTITUTE OF TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERS TORONTO SECTION

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## Upcoming Events

### Toronto SimCap User Group Technical Event – Capacity Analysis Software Discussion

#### **PLUS** ITE Toronto Section Social Event

Date: Tuesday, July 22, 2014

Time: 4 p.m.

Location: MMM Group, 100 Commerce Valley Drive West, Markham, ON.



The future of capacity analysis software has been a hot topic in our recent Toronto SimCap (Simulation and Capacity Analysis) meetings. Many of our members and attendees have issues/questions regarding capacity software issues and their compliance to HCM 2010 and even CCG, etc.

To address this hot topic, the Toronto SimCap User Group is hosting a **FREE** technical event on the topic "**Capacity Analysis Software Discussion**". We are inviting industry well-known vendors for a discussion on the issue and conduct presentation/demonstration of their software. We are still

confirming with the vendor's availability at the time of writing; so far, PTV will be coming to discuss about their Vistro software. We will circulate the details once they are finalized.

The event will be held at the MMM Group Headquarters in Markham on Tuesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 starting at 4pm. A social event will follow (6pm-9pm) after the technical event in the same venue. **FREE** foods and drinks will be provided.

To ensure we have sufficient space (for both the SimCap and Social Event) as well as foods and drinks, we are asking members and non-members interested in attending contact our Activities Coordinator, Amy Jiang, at [jiang@bagroup.com](mailto:jiang@bagroup.com). Again, the event is **FREE** to everyone but spaces are limited so please register. Please confirm your attendance by Monday, July 14, 2014. For more information please contact Nixon Chan at [ChanN@mmm.ca](mailto:ChanN@mmm.ca) or Matthew Davis at [mdavis3@toronto.ca](mailto:mdavis3@toronto.ca). We'll see you there!



**Image 1 - SimCap Follow-up Workshop at MMM Headquarter, Thursday, September 26th, 2013**

## Past Events

### **2014 CITE/OTC Conference and CITE Collegiate Traffic Bowl**

June 1-4, 2014, Kitchener ON

Close to 300 delegates attended this year's Joint CITE/OTC Conference in Waterloo Region. A special thanks to the ITE Southwestern Ontario Section and the Local Arrangements Committee (LAC) for putting on a great conference.



**Image 2 - 2014 CITE/OTEC Lunch and Awards**

Your ITE Toronto Section President, Mehemed Delibasic, attended the event on behalf of the ITE Toronto Section. As the Section President, Mehemed sits on the CITE Board of Directors and, as such, participated in the annual CITE Board of Directors Meeting at this conference. Given the proximity of this

conference to Toronto, many more members of the ITE Toronto Section Executive were able to attend this year including your 2014 Vice President, Matthew Davis; Secretary, Angela Gibson; Student Chapter Liaison, Sean Nix; and Past President, Nixon Chan. Matthew and Nixon also provided an update of the *Toronto SimCap User Group* within the Traffic Simulation Software session, while Sean moderated the Sustainability & Health session.



**Image 3 - Matthew and Nixon discussing Toronto SimCap User Group update**

In recognition of our hard work in organizing activities for the Section members last year, we are proud to announce that the ITE Toronto Section was the recipient of the *Section Activities Award* at the CITE/OTC Conference in Waterloo. This award recognizes overall quality of section activities, either technical or non-technical in nature, and may include technical meetings, technical committees, technical reports, seminars and training programs, student participation, career guidance, membership campaigns, public relations activities and others. All those from the ITE Toronto Section in attendance were proud to accept this award during the award ceremony on behalf of the Section.



**Image 4 - ITE Toronto Section executive members receiving the Section Activities Award 2014 from the CITE President, Peter Truch**

A highlight of the conference was the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual CITE Collegiate Traffic Bowl! ITE Toronto Section is pleased to announce that the cup is returning home to our Section with the University of Toronto team, who defeated the University of Calgary and Mohawk College in the final round. Congratulations to Sami Hasnine, Matt Austin and Teddy Lin on their victory!



**Image 5 – Winners from left to right: Sami Hasnine, Matt Austin, Teddy Lin receiving the Canadian Traffic Bowl trophy on behalf of the University of Toronto**

They will go on to the 2014 ITE International Conference and Exhibit in Seattle to compete against collegiate champions from different ITE districts in the United States. The University of Toronto team finished second place during the 2012 Grand Championship in Atlanta (after seven tiebreakers!). We hope they will capture another cup on behalf of both the Toronto Section and the Canadian District. We wish them the best of luck!!!

### **Traffic Bowl Trivia Night**

Date: Wednesday, May 21, 2014

Time: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Location: Harvest Noon Café (Graduate Student Union Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)  
16 Bancroft Avenue, University of Toronto St. George Campus, Toronto

The University of Toronto ITE Student Chapter (UT-ITE) hosted a Traffic Bowl Trivia Night event on Wednesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014. While the event was historically designed to specifically help the UT-ITE Traffic Bowl team prepare for the 2014 CITE Collegiate Traffic Bowl competition at the Joint CITE/OTC Conference in Waterloo, UT-ITE was gracious enough to invite a competitor team from Mohawk College, as well as students from Ryerson University, to participate.

Much like the Traffic Bowl itself, teams from each post-secondary institution faced-off against each other while others in attendance either read the questions or moderated the “buzzing in”. Members of the 2011 CITE Traffic Bowl Champion team from UT-ITE were also in attendance to provide some useful Traffic Bowl tips to this year’s competitors based on their experience both nationally and internationally.

ITE Toronto Section was pleased to sponsor the event by funding appetizers for all participants as support for the UT-ITE Traffic Bowl team. Our special thanks go to the UT-ITE President, Alec Knowles, for helping to coordinate the event!

## News

### Canada's New Anti-Spam Legislation

The Toronto Section of Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) is in the process of reviewing its communications policy to ensure compliance with Canada's anti-spam legislation. The regulations regarding the distribution of **commercial electronic messages (CEMs)** will come into effect July 1, 2014.

A CEM is an electronic message with any kind of commercial purpose, regardless of whether there is an expectation of profit. This includes not only the content of the message but also any content linked to the message.

It is our mandate to share information and act as a forum of information exchange, and thus many of the messages sent out by the ITE Toronto Section fall into the category classified as CEMs.

ITE Toronto Section is therefore taking steps to ensure that its communications include:

1. **Consent** - ITE Toronto Section must have expressed or implied consent to send a message.
2. **Identification** - ITE Toronto Section must clearly and simply identify itself as the sender of its messages.
3. **Unsubscribe Mechanism** - recipients must be able to unsubscribe from receiving future messages by notifying the ITE Toronto Section – Section's Communications Coordinator at [farhad.shahla@mississauga.ca](mailto:farhad.shahla@mississauga.ca) in each CEM.

What does this mean for ITE Toronto Section?

**If you are a member of ITE Toronto Section** and want to continue receiving our communications about our newsletter, seminars, technical meetings,

events, etc., **we invite you to confirm this no later than Tuesday, July 8, 2014, by replying to an email on this subject – which will be sent shortly.**

You may withdraw your consent and unsubscribe from our communications at any time by notifying the ITE Toronto Section – Section's Communications Coordinator at [farhad.shahla@mississauga.ca](mailto:farhad.shahla@mississauga.ca).

You have questions about ITE Toronto Section's approach; please contact the ITE Toronto Section – Section's Communications Coordinator at [farhad.shahla@mississauga.ca](mailto:farhad.shahla@mississauga.ca) or any other member of the ITE Toronto Section executive. Additional information about Canada's Anti-Spam Legislation is available at [www.fightspam.gc.ca](http://www.fightspam.gc.ca).

## ITE Contact Information

If you or one of your colleagues are not receiving the monthly ITE Journal, the quarterly CITE Transportation Talk, periodic web communication correspondence from CITE, and/or the ITE Toronto Section newsletters, then the contact information we have may not be up to date in our respective databases. ITE International, CITE and the ITE Toronto Section maintain separate membership databases. Every effort is made to keep the three databases consistent; however, there are instances where changes in membership have not been instituted across the databases.



For ITE Journal, Invoicing and other ITE international correspondence, Transportation Talk, and the Web Communications Centre, your current contact information can be viewed and changed at [www.ite.org](http://www.ite.org) on the right hand side of the home page, either under “login/logout” or by logging into ITE Community. It provides information on what your login and password are based on your ITE membership number and name.

For ITE Toronto Section Newsletters, your current contact information can be checked with our Communications Coordinator **Farhad Shahla** at [farhad.shahla@mississauga.ca](mailto:farhad.shahla@mississauga.ca). The ITE Toronto Section distributes correspondence solely by e-mail. If you are receiving the Toronto Section newsletters and your e-mail contact information is correct, confirmation of mailing address information is not required.

## Do You ...

... have any interesting transportation-related articles or photos that you would like to see in our newsletter? Send them electronically to our Communications Coordinator, **Farhad Shahla** at [farhad.shahla@mississauga.ca](mailto:farhad.shahla@mississauga.ca).

Have any questions for the ITE Toronto Section? Contact our President, **Mehemed Delibasic**, at [Mehemed.Delibasic@wspgroup.com](mailto:Mehemed.Delibasic@wspgroup.com) or Vice-President, **Matthew Davis**, at [mdavis3@toronto.ca](mailto:mdavis3@toronto.ca).

Want to learn about Job Posting opportunities offered by the ITE Toronto Section and CITE? Contact our Communications Coordinator, **Farhad Shahla**, at [farhad.shahla@mississauga.ca](mailto:farhad.shahla@mississauga.ca).

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