



Dear Delegate,

Thank you for participating in the Thirteenth International Conference on Technology, Knowledge & Society. We are pleased you will be joining us in Toronto, Canada at the University of Toronto's Chestnut Conference Centre and hope you are looking forward to coming together with colleagues and members of the Technology, Knowledge & Society Research Network this May.

In preparation for the conference, we have put together some information that we hope will prove useful to you as you begin to prepare for the conference and your arrival in Toronto. In this document, you will find a variety of information, such as; transportation, accommodations, activities and extras, conference registration, and conference presentations. **Please note that all delegates will need to bring their own laptop computers for presentation.** Equipment is detailed further on page two of this packet.

This packet is a starting point for your preparations, and we realize you may have some additional questions after reviewing the material here. For any questions that remain please contact the conference secretariat at support@techandsoc.com.

We hope your planning goes well, and we look forward to seeing you in Toronto!

Best wishes,

Rachael Arcario
Technology, Knowledge & Society Conference Producer



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Venue and Conference Information

Conference Venue

Chestnut Conference Centre
University of Toronto

Address

89 Chestnut Street
Toronto, ON M5G 1R1
Canada

Google Map Link: <https://goo.gl/maps/6KiErD3ihEq>

Registration Desk Hours and Location

The conference will take place from 26-27 May. The conference registration desk will be located on the second floor in the lobby, or main hall, of the Chestnut Conference Center right outside of the Colony Ballroom West, where the conference opening and plenary session will take place. Registration will begin at 8:00 am on the first day of the conference, 26 May and will be open throughout all hours of the conference.

Any questions that arise at the conference should be directed to the staff at the conference registration desk. This includes questions regarding presentation equipment, your particular presentation, signing up for tours, and questions about submitting your article to the journal.

Session Types

For a complete description of session types please visit our [website](#)

- Themed Paper Presentation: If you have a Paper Presentation in a Themed Session (formally referred to as a 30-minute session), you have been scheduled into a 75 or 100-minute session with three or four other presenters. In these themed sessions, papers are grouped by similar topics or by different perspectives on a particular issue. This format allows for greater participation and enhanced discussion. In themed sessions, each presenter speaks for twenty minutes. A group discussion of all presented papers follows in the time remaining. To allow adequate time for group discussion prepared remarks are limited to twenty minutes.
- Workshop Presentation: If you are scheduled to present a Workshop, you have been slated in a 45-minute session in which skills or concepts are taught, demonstrated, or explored within an interactive platform. These presentations often include worksheets, props, or activities to further articulate the presented research and add an element of active involvement for the session attendees. This less-structured format is led by the researching author(s) and allows for questions and discussions to take place throughout the duration of the session.
- Colloquia: This presentation type involves a group of 5 colleagues that present separate papers on a common topic or theme. Ninety minutes are allotted for this session type and the researching authors divide the presentation up as appropriate to their chosen format. Time for questions and discussions can take place throughout the duration of the session.
- Poster Session: Individual scholars present visual displays (posters) of the status of their work, or exhibits of artwork, models, or other products. Authors will have the opportunity to hold discussions with the delegates who are circulating amongst the poster boards in this 45-minute session. (Projectors and computers are not provided by the conference for this session type.)
- Focused Discussion Session: Authors are each assigned a numbered table in a large meeting room for the full 45-minute session, during which time they converse and interact with interested delegates who join them at their table. The discussion may begin with the author presenting a synopsis of their work, to generate discussion on the topic. Authors are encouraged to bring copies of their papers and/or a short handout summarizing their work for distribution at their tables. Multiple authors of a single paper may participate, and one article per roundtable may be submitted for publication. (Projectors and computers are not provided by the conference for this session type.)

Presentation Equipment

All session rooms in the Chestnut Conference Center will be fully equipped with screens and data projectors. **Delegates will need to bring their own laptop computers.** If you are a Mac user, please be sure to bring the correct Mac VGA adaptor. Please note that the University does not provide overhead projectors for transparencies in their classrooms.

Program

The conference schedule of sessions can be found at: <http://techandsoc.com/2017-conference/program>. In addition to this, you will receive a program booklet at the conference with the final schedule for the plenary and parallel sessions.

Internet Access

Wi-Fi is provided throughout the Chestnut Conference Center. Please see the conference registration desk for login information.

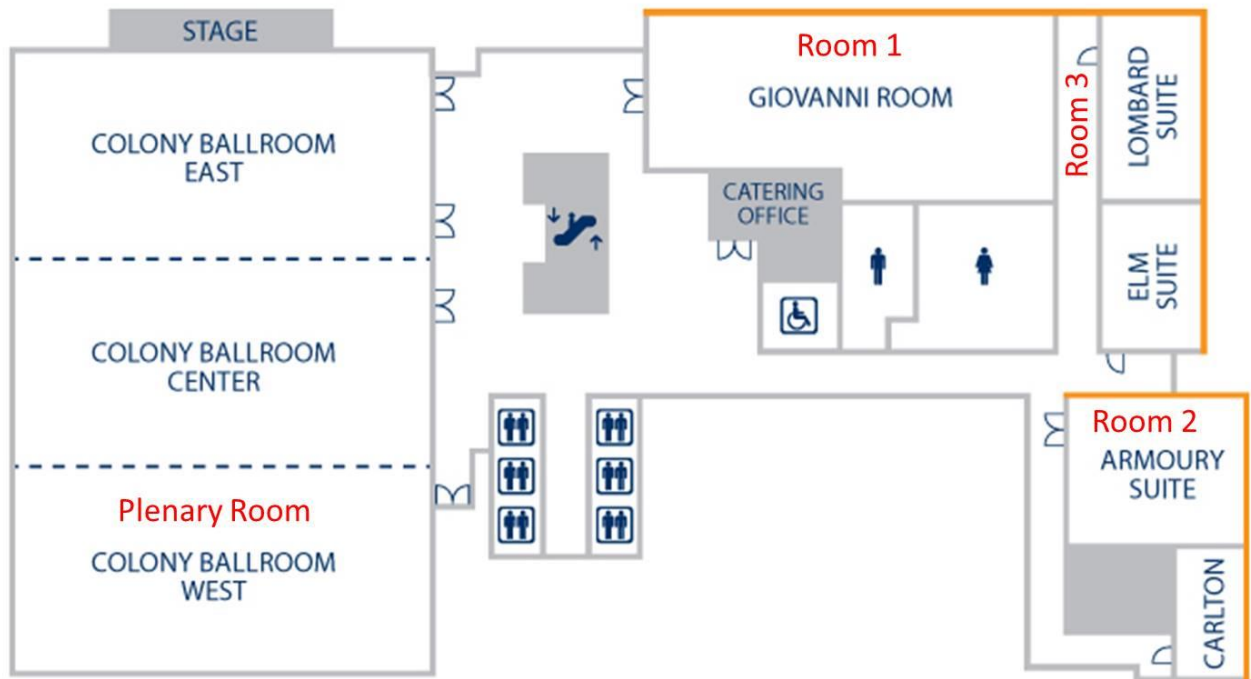
Venue Maps

All conference events will be held in the Chestnut Conference Center. The reception desk can be found in the hall of the second floor of the conference center. All session rooms are located on the second and third floor of the building. Lunches, coffee breaks, and the Conference Welcome Reception, will all be held in the conference center as well.

Please see a map of the second and third floor of the Chestnut Conference Center below..

Floor 2

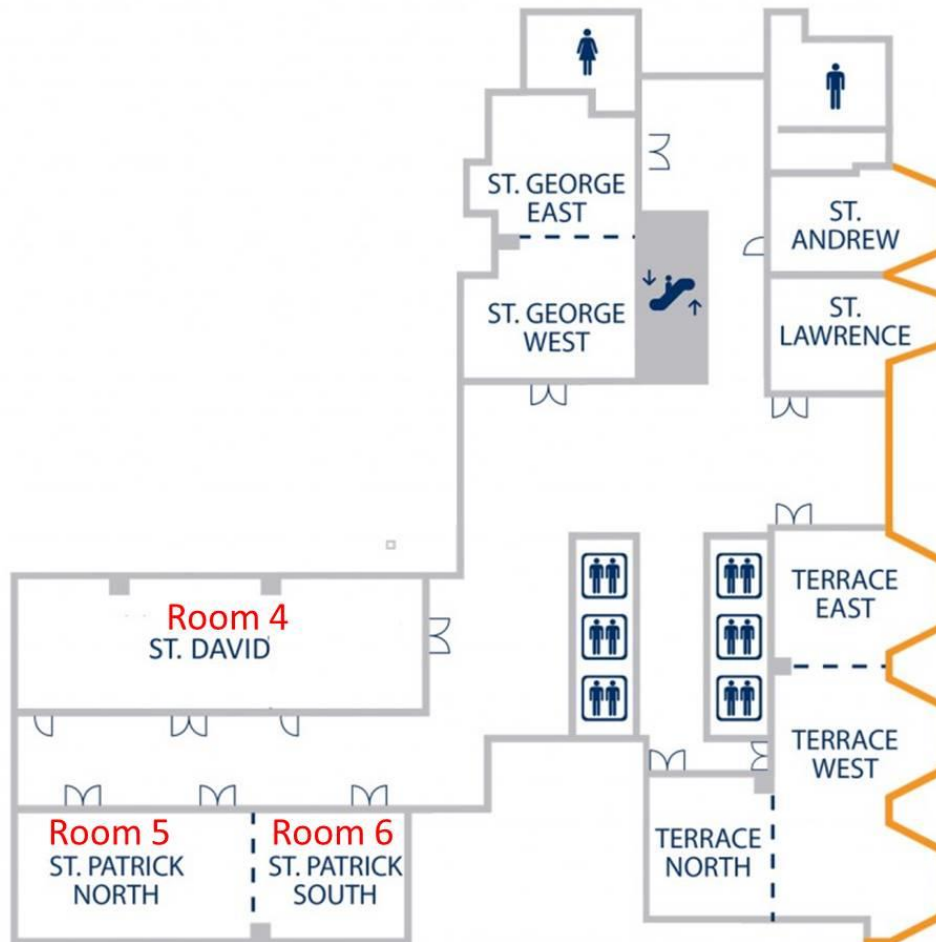
Includes the Plenary Room, registration desk, and rooms 1-3



Floor 3

Includes rooms (4-6)

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Activities and Extras

Opening Reception & Conference Welcome

Friday, 26 May
Directly following sessions

Common Ground Publishing and the Technology, Knowledge & Society Conference will be hosting a welcome reception at the conference venue, University of Toronto's Chestnut Conference Center, after the last session of the day. Join other conference delegates and plenary speakers for drinks, light hors d'orves and a chance to converse.

We look forward to seeing you!

Location: Chestnut Conference Center (Conference Venue)

Pre- Conference Tour: Walking and Tasting Tour of St Lawrence Market

Thursday, 25 May
3:00-5:00 PM

Beginning across from the famous St Lawrence Market, (established in 1803), join our private guide on a walk of the area to give you a sense of what the old Town of York was like and how the market developed over time to be one of the top attractions in this great city.

Upon entering the South Market Building, which houses the permanent vendors (unlike the seasonal vendors in the North Market Building), your guide will lead you to their very favourite spots and those that sell particular foods that tell the story of Canada's settlement and the people who came from around the world to make this country their new home. Canadian food is very regional and this tour will cover the country coast to coast.

Highlights:

- Learn some history of the St Lawrence Market area
- Sample some amazing foods made in Canada (some vendors provide samples, beyond this, delegates are free to purchase food throughout the market as advised by our local guide)
- Meet some of the nicest vendors in the market
- Buy a variety of foods to sample and share
- Get to know the market with a local expert then explore more on your own until the market closes (6pm)

Date: 25 May 2017
Time: 3:00-5:00 PM
Cost: US\$18.00

Location: This walking tour starts inside the front entrance of the St Lawrence Market by the historical photo display.

Booking: The conference tour can be booked during registration. If you've already registered, contact us to book your tour. To book the tour, please visit: <http://techandsoc.com/2017-conference/special-events>

Accommodation Information

DoubleTree by Hilton, Toronto Downtown

Set in the center of Toronto's financial, research, and shopping districts, the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Toronto Downtown offers a quiet retreat in the heart of a vibrant, urban location. This Toronto hotel is directly across the street from the conference venue, The University of Toronto's Chestnut Conference Center and 25 minutes from Toronto Pearson International Airport.

The hotel also features stylish and spacious guest rooms, all offering modern amenities. In addition, stay connected with complimentary wifi in guest rooms and throughout the hotel.

Standard King: CAD \$219.00
Double Bed: CAD \$219.00

Hotel Amenities:

Full Service Restaurant and Bar
Spa Services
Free WiFi
Meeting Rooms
Private Parking
Room Service
24-Hour Front Desk
Tour Desk
Baggage Storage
Concierge Service
Complimentary Breakfast

More information on rates, amenities, fees, and services can be found at <http://techandsoc.com/2017-conference/hotel-travel>

Directions and Transportation in Toronto

Toronto Pearson International Airport

Most arrivals into Toronto will be through Toronto Pearson International Airport. The airport is about 25 km from the Chestnut Conference Center at Toronto University. For more information about airport services such as airlines, car rental agencies, and airport maps, visit <http://www.torontopearson.com/#>

Getting to Chestnut Conference Center at the University of Toronto

From the Airport

Ground transportation information can be found here: <http://www.torontopearson.com/en/toandfrom/ground/#>

Driving Directions from Airport to Chestnut Conference Center can be found here:

- <https://goo.gl/maps/bZXiRmLbcR82>

Taxi and Limousine Service from Airport

Taxi service is available at the Toronto Airport and is located in different locations depending on which terminal you arrive in. Information about taxi and limousine pick-up locations and prices can be found here:

<http://www.torontopearson.com/en/toandfrom/taxilimo/#>

Public Transit from Airport

The fastest public transportation route is via the 192 Airport Rocket, it will take about 45 minutes to go from the Airport to the Chestnut Conference Center.

- Take the UP metro 4136 toward Union Station
- Get off at Union Station
- From Union Station take Line 1 (Yonge-University) to St Patrick Station
- Exit at St Patrick Station head east and walk to Chestnut Conference Center

Visit the Toronto Transit Commission for more transportation info and options:

http://www.ttc.ca/Riding_the_TTC/Airport_service.jsp

From the Conference Hotel

Walking from the DoubleTree Hilton Downtown to the University of Toronto's Chestnut Conference Center

The DoubleTree Hilton Downtown is directly across the street from the conference venue, Chestnut Conference Center. Head outside of the hotel to Chestnut St, turn right and the venue will be on your left.

Public Transportation in Toronto

Toronto is a city well served by public transport – see: http://www.ttc.ca/Riding_the_TTC/Airport_service.jsp