

4th Annual Smart Cities Summit Agenda

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Time	Topic and Speakers
12 – 12:30 p.m.	Registration and lunch
12:30 – 12:45 p.m.	<p>Welcome and introducing the Arcadis IBI Smart Cities Sandbox</p> <p>Clint Vince, Partner, Chair of Dentons' US Energy Practice and Co-Chair of Dentons Global Energy Sector, Dentons US (Washington) and Rahul Mehra, Director Intelligent Systems, Arcadis IBI Group (Toronto)</p>
12:45 – 1:15 p.m.	<p>How data governance and digital maturity can help build a foundation for responsible smart cities</p> <p>Learn how government institutions are working to tackle future challenges through data strategy and building an innovative culture for the digital age. Drawing from recent consulting projects and former roles such as CEO of the Civic Digital Network and as a Special Advisor to the Ontario Data Authority, Andy will shed light on the critical role of data governance and public infrastructure in building resilient and forward-thinking smart cities. Ryan will bring perspective from work that he and his team at Think Digital have been undertaking to develop a digital maturity assessment methodology with municipal governments, and what some of the foundational elements are for governments to take advantage of the emerging opportunities of the digital age.</p> <p>Isaiah Banach, Counsel, Dentons (Toronto), Andy Best, Public Data Advisor, and Ryan Androsoff, CEO & Founder, Think Digital</p>
1:15 – 2 p.m.	<p>Smart Cities and IP: Balancing innovation and legal protection</p> <p>Explore the legal intricacies of Smart Cities in this panel discussion focusing on Intellectual Property (IP) and technology. Join us as we tackle topics such as IP strategies, data, open-source, and innovation within urban landscapes. Discover how to navigate the legal landscape in Smart Cities for a sustainable and innovative future.</p> <p>Bob Tarantino, Counsel, Dentons (Toronto) and Panagiota Dafniotis, Partner and National Lead of the IP Group, Dentons (Montréal)</p>

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2 – 2:15 p.m.	Break
2:15 – 3 p.m.	<p>Innovative approaches to achieving density and complete communities</p> <p>Urban development requires finding ways to maximize the use of space while achieving complete communities and meeting climate change and other objectives, all within the limited land available in core areas. Podium schools, climate resiliency, technology and vertical neighbourhoods all feature into the solution.</p> <p>Mary Ellen Bench, Counsel, Dentons Canada (Toronto), Leola Pon, TDSB, Toronto Lands Corporation; Christina Bruce, Director Policy Planning and Special Programs, City of Vaughan; and Naama Blonder, Architect and Urban Planner at Smart Density</p>
3 – 3:45 p.m.	<p>Municipal sponsored digital access strategies</p> <p>Innovative and impactful strategies need to be employed by municipalities to bridge the digital divide within their communities. We will delve into how local governments are taking proactive steps to ensure that all residents have equitable access to broadband, digital resources, education, and services. Join us to discover the various initiatives, partnerships, and technologies that are reshaping the landscape of digital inclusion at the municipal level and fostering a more connected and empowered society.</p> <p>Michael Ledgett, Partner, Dentons Canada (Toronto), Steven Dykstra, Senior Legal Counsel, Halton Region and Michael Bidwell, Managing Partner, Digital Infrastructure Group</p>
3:45 – 4 p.m.	Closing remarks
4 – 5 p.m.	Networking reception