

2008 Member Meeting: Sustainable development is a major concern for CAs



The 2008 Member Meeting opened with a presentation by Steven Guilbeault, co-founder of Équiterre, on the ABCs of sustainable development. Mr. Guilbeault raised listener awareness about the state of our planet and addressed innovative sustainable development approaches in the area of building construction and solar energy, among others.

On the picture, from left to right: Jean-Pierre Allaire, FCA, Chair of the Ordre, Steven Guilbeault and Daniel McMahon, FCA, president and CEO.

The first roundtable, facilitated by Dominique Ferrand, a management consultant in matters relating to the environment and sustainable development, featured three panelists:

- Roger Fournier, CA, partner, GHG Audit, GDTS;
- Johanne Gélinas, partner, Corporate Responsibility and Sustainability, Samson Bélair/Deloitte & Touche;
- Dave Pollard, member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario, Vice-President, Knowledge Development, Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants.

The panelists discussed auditing and accounting issues and the sustainable development strategies of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants. They also talked about carbon credits, accountability trends in the private sector and global warming.



From left to right: Dominique Ferrand, Jean-Pierre Allaire, FCA, Johanne Gélinas, Dave Pollard, member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario, Roger Fournier, CA and Daniel McMahon, FCA

The following three panelists took part in the second roundtable:

- Léon Bitton, Vice-President, Research and Development, Montreal Exchange;
- Alan DeSousa, FCA, Executive Committee member responsible for sustainable development and economic development, City of Montreal;
- Carole Villeneuve, Sustainable Development Coordinator, Loto-Québec.

The panelists talked about the Montreal Climate Exchange (MCeX), sustainable development strategies in the workplace (including staff mobilization) and the City of Montreal's green plan.



From left to right: Daniel McMahon, FCA, Alan DeSousa, FCA, Carole Villeneuve, Léon Bitton and Jean-Pierre Allaire, FCA

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