



Canada's policing environment is undergoing rapid transformation. Communities expect greater transparency and accountability, crime and social pressures are becoming more complex, and emerging technologies—especially artificial intelligence—are reshaping how modern police services must operate. At the centre of this change is data.

The CACP Data & AI Leadership Summit is designed to equip Canada's policing executives with the insight, national alignment, and strategic direction needed to lead their organizations into the next decade of public safety modernization. This event brings together decision-makers from across municipal, provincial, federal, and Indigenous policing to advance a shared vision: a consistent, ethically governed, and operationally impactful data and AI environment for Canadian policing.

Data-driven policing is no longer optional. It underpins operational readiness, officer safety, risk management, resource deployment, financial stewardship, and public trust. Artificial Intelligence amplifies these capabilities—automating labour-intensive tasks, enhancing investigations, supporting frontline decision-making, and giving command teams better predictive insights.

However, AI adoption requires strong governance, secure data architecture, and coordinated national standards. Without these foundations, policing risks fragmented systems, duplicated costs, and uneven service delivery across the country.

The Summit provides executives with actionable strategies, proven practices, and clear roadmaps to:

- Build trustworthy, high-quality data environments
- Strengthen organizational governance and oversight
- Reduce operational risk
- Modernize digital infrastructure
- Drive cultural readiness and data literacy across the workforce
- Ensure AI is deployed ethically, transparently, and safely
- Align with national priorities, legislation, and accountability frameworks

Executives will leave with a stronger understanding of how data and AI directly support their mandate—safer communities, stronger outcomes, smarter operations, and greater operational confidence.

The CACP Data & AI Leadership Summit positions policing leaders to shape Canada's public safety future, ensuring agencies move from being data-rich to strategically insight-driven and AI-enabled.

Target Audience

- Law Enforcement Executives (Federal, Provincial, Municipal, First Nations)
- Senior Operational Leaders
- Technical Data AI Leaders
- Government policymakers and legal experts
- Police Association Representatives

TIME	SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2026
17:00 – 19:00	Onsite Registration (<i>Salon E Foyer</i>)

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07:00	Onsite Registration (<i>Salon E Foyer</i>)
07:00 – 16:30	Exhibit Show (<i>Salon EFGH</i>)
07:00 – 08:30	Breakfast (<i>Salon EFGH</i>)
08:30 – 16:30	Plenary Sessions (<i>Salon ABCD</i>)
08:30 – 08:45	Opening Ceremonies Opening Remarks • Directeur Fady Dagher, Montreal Police Service; President, Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police
SESSION 1 08:45 – 09:30	Public Sector Leadership Panel: Leading with Trust in the Age of Data and AI Presenters • Senator Baltej Dhillon, British Columbia, Parliament of Canada Description As policing organizations modernize, expectations from governments, stakeholders, and the public continue to evolve. This leadership panel brings together senior public sector leaders to explore how data and AI can strengthen accountability, transparency, and evidence-based decision-making across Canada’s public safety landscape. Panelists will discuss the role of government in shaping policy, governance, and oversight, while examining how data and AI can improve operational outcomes, support informed decision-making, and reinforce public trust in policing. The conversation will provide strategic insights into the partnerships and leadership

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	required to build a consistent, ethically governed, and operationally impactful data and AI ecosystem for Canadian policing.
SESSION 2 09:30 – 10:30	Leadership Panel: Leading the Future of Policing Through Data and AI <i>Presenters</i> • Commissioner Thomas Carrique, C.O.M., Ontario Provincial Police • Chief Warren Driechel, Edmonton Police Service • Chief Designate Paulo Da Silva, M.O.M., York Regional Police Service <i>Description</i> As policing continues to evolve in an increasingly data-driven environment, executive leadership plays a critical role in shaping the future of public safety. This panel brings together police leaders from across Canada to share how they are leveraging data, analytics, and AI to strengthen operational decision-making, improve service delivery, and enhance public trust. Panelists will discuss the opportunities and challenges of implementing data-driven policing strategies, navigating evolving expectations from governments, oversight bodies, and the public, and fostering a culture of responsible and ethical innovation. The discussion will provide practical leadership perspectives on how executives can guide their organizations through modernization while maintaining accountability, transparency, and confidence in policing.
10:30 – 11:00	Network Break (<i>Opus Foyer</i>)
SESSION 3 11:00 – 11:15	TBC
SESSION 4 11:15 – 12:00	AI-Augmented Policing: Innovating for the Next Era of Public Safety <i>Presenter</i> • Chris Howard, Chief of Research, Gartner <i>Description</i> Artificial intelligence and emerging technologies are moving from isolated tools and experiments into the day-to-day operations of modern organizations. This keynote will explore what that shift means for the future of policing and how leaders can embed technology, data, and AI into their operating models to strengthen decision-making, enhance workforce capabilities, and respond to growing operational complexity.

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	This session will challenge police leaders to look beyond individual AI use cases and consider the organizational capabilities, shared platforms, and leadership approaches required to create adaptable, sustainable, and AI-augmented police services.
12:00– 13:00	Lunch (<i>Opus Foyer</i>)
SESSION 5 13:00 – 13:45	Operationalizing AI Accountability in Canadian Policing Presenters • Chief Superintendent Larry Montgomery, Royal Canadian Mounted Police • Dr. Stephen Maguire, Executive Director, Centre on Values and Ethics (COVE), Carleton University • Maria McDonald, Ministry of the Attorney General Description As artificial intelligence (AI) becomes increasingly integrated into Canadian policing and public safety, organizations require practical tools to ensure AI is deployed responsibly, lawfully, and effectively. This session introduces the Canadian AI Accountability for Policing and Security (C-AIPAS) approach, a Canadian policing-focused accountability assessment framework designed to support AI governance across the system lifecycle. C-AIPAS translates accountability into operational practice by helping organizations assess governance, privacy, human rights, victim-centred frameworks, transparency, procurement, vendor accountability, human oversight, and legal defensibility. Developed through collaboration with the U.K. Centre of Excellence in Terrorism, Resilience, Intelligence and Organized Crime Research (CENTRIC), as well as policing, legal, academic, and public safety partners, C-AIPAS is intended to complement existing governance processes such as Privacy Impact Assessments, Algorithmic Impact Assessments, security reviews, and organizational policies. The session will explore how structured, risk-based assessment approaches can strengthen public trust, improve consistency across jurisdictions, and support responsible AI adoption in Canadian policing environments. Recognizing that the framework remains subject to further review and approval processes, the session will present C-AIPAS as an emerging Canadian accountability model and pilot approach for responsible AI governance in policing. Intended Outcomes Participants will: • Increase their understanding of how AI accountability can be operationalized through structured assessment frameworks.

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	• Learn how the C-AIPAS approach supports responsible AI deployment by evaluating governance, privacy, human rights, victims-centred frameworks, transparency, and operational risks. • Explore practical, risk-based approaches to AI governance that can reduce duplication and improve consistency across policing organizations. • Discuss mechanisms for strengthening accountability among AI vendors, developers, procurement processes, and system owners through standardized assessment practices. • Identify key considerations for deploying AI in policing, including human oversight, explainability, independent review, and legal defensibility.
SESSION 6 13:45 – 14:15	Modernizing the Canadian Police Information Centre: An Update <i>Presenter</i> • Liam Price, M.O.M., Director General, International Special Services, Royal Canadian Mounted Police <i>Description</i> This session will provide an update on efforts to modernize the Canadian Police Information Centre (CPIC), preview upcoming milestones and continue collaboration with the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police (CACP) community to help shape a more resilient, responsive, and future-ready national policing system.
14:15 – 14:45	Network Break (<i>Opus Foyer</i>)
SESSION 7 14:45 – 15:30	TBC
SESSION 8 15:30 – 16:30	AI and the Next Era of Canadian Policing <i>Presenters</i> • Tony Ventura, M.O.M., Senior Director, Strategy, Innovation and Technology, Peel Regional Police Service <i>Description</i> This session examines the opportunity AI presents for Canadian policing, drawing on global case studies, a survey of 35 Canadian police leaders, and task-level modelling of AI's impact at Peel Regional Police and nationally. It covers where AI can relieve pressures like admin overload, patrol inefficiency, and evidence backlogs, and outlines four actions for scaling AI responsibly: focusing on measurable impact, establishing governance early, building workforce readiness, and engaging stakeholders to build trust.

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SESSION 9 08:35 – 09:30	Keynote
SESSION 10 09:30 – 10:30	No Data. No AI. Building the Foundation for the Future of Public Safety Presenters • Assistant Commissioner Will Ng, Royal Canadian Mounted Police • Gurp Uppal, Director, Royal Canadian Mounted Police • Greg Stanisci, Director, York Regional Police Service Description AI is rapidly changing what is possible in policing and public safety—but there is no AI without data. Across policing, valuable information remains trapped in fragmented systems, organizational silos, inconsistent standards, and legacy technologies. Before organizations can responsibly scale AI, they must first build the foundation that makes it possible: trusted, governed, accessible, interoperable, and operationally relevant data. This session moves beyond the AI hype to focus on what policing leaders need to get right now. Attendees will see real-world operational policing use cases that are delivering tangible value today—demonstrating how data can be transformed into actionable insights that support frontline operations, improve resource deployment, strengthen executive decision-making, and contribute to better public safety outcomes. The session will explore how modern data foundations can break down silos, improve data quality and interoperability, and enable organizations to move from simply collecting data to putting it to work operationally.

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	But technology alone will not create a data-driven organization. The session will also examine the critical role of leadership, governance, data literacy, specialized talent, change management, and organizational culture in turning data into an operational capability. Attendees will leave with a practical understanding of how data, people, technology, and culture must come together to deliver measurable operational value, strengthen accountability and public trust, and create the conditions for responsible, scalable, and sustainable AI in policing.
10:30 – 11:00	Network Break (<i>Opus Foyer</i>)
SESSION 11 11:00 – 11:15	TBC
SESSION 12 11:15 – 12:00	Beyond Dashboards: Building Data Literacy and Trust in Modern Policing Presenter Inspector Tim Horon, Edmonton Police Service Description How does a police service evolve from traditional intelligence-led policing to a modern, data-informed organization? This session explores the Edmonton Police Service’s multi-decade journey toward data literacy from early analytical practices and crime management initiatives to today’s rapidly expanding ecosystem of data and AI technological options. Along the way, the police service encountered setbacks, including early challenges with tools like Power BI, but used those experiences to drive cultural change, strengthen governance and build lasting capability. Through candid lessons learned, practical examples, and operational outcomes, this presentation highlights how a policing organization can successfully integrate data into decision-making, overcome resistance and foster a culture of analytical thinking. Attendees will gain a realistic roadmap for navigating their own data journeys in a complex, high-stakes environment.
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch (<i>Opus Foyer</i>)
SESSION 13 13:00 – 13:45	Algorithm to Evidence: Emerging Standards and Best Practices Promoting the Legal Admissibility of AI-Assisted Investigations in Canada Presenter

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	Ryan Fritsch, Legal Counsel, Law Commission of Ontario Description As Canadian police services rapidly adopt AI-powered tools for digital evidence review, facial recognition, transcription, analytics, and intelligence development, police leaders face a critical question: How will AI-assisted evidence withstand Charter challenges and be admissible in court? This session combines insights from the Law Commission of Ontario's national AI in Criminal Justice Project with an overview of leading law enforcement practices to help police executives understand emerging disclosure and evidentiary requirements for AI-assisted investigations. This session will focus on what chiefs, deputy chiefs, and executive leaders need to do today to avoid creating tomorrow's failed prosecutions.
SESSION 14 13:45 – 14:30	Generative AI at Windsor Police Service: From Exploration to Practical Use Presenters - Jennifer Piasecka, Windsor Police Service - Jeremy Coulter, Windsor Police Service Description This presentation outlines Windsor Police Service's shift from early interest in generative AI to practical, business-focused use through an internal AI rollout. It highlights key adoption drivers, early internal use cases, and lessons learned about governance, human oversight, and phased implementation in a policing environment.
14:30 – 14:40	Network Break (<i>Opus Foyer</i>)
SESSION 15 14:40 – 15:30	Next-Generation Law Enforcement: Building public trust through responsible innovation Presenter Patricia Kosseim, Ontario's Information and Privacy Commissioner Description Artificial intelligence, drones and investigative genetic genealogy – once considered “next generation” law enforcement tools -- are becoming increasingly commonplace for police services across Ontario. The conversation that needs to be had now is how police can adopt these new technologies in ways that strengthen public trust and confidence. Recognizing the tremendous opportunities that emerging technologies offer to improve public safety and operational effectiveness, Ontario's Information and Privacy Commissioner Patricia Kosseim will discuss how these tools can be responsibly deployed within strong and robust governance frameworks.

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	Commissioner Kosseim will speak about how police services can successfully navigate this rapidly evolving environment by embedding privacy, accountability and transparency into the very design of these tools from the outset. The keynote will draw together the common threads and highlight emerging best practices that cut across all of the IPC's recent guidance on police use of new technologies, including: remotely piloted aircraft systems (RPAS) (or drones), investigative genetic genealogy (IGG), automated license plate recognition, facial recognition, and body-worn cameras. Commissioner Kosseim will share her perspectives on how privacy, accountability and transparency are essential elements for successful adoption of these and other new technologies. Building public trust is essential to realizing the full benefits of emerging technologies and ensuring they continue to earn the confidence of the very communities that police services strive to serve and protect.
15:30	Closing Remarks