

BUILDING CONSENSUS IN MULTI-PARTY, MULTI-ISSUE SETTINGS

A One-Day Skills-Based Workshop

Summary

Many seemingly simple matters such as deciding on the location of a new landfill site, formulating a water use policy, or making plans for a new development in a community are actually very complex situations and they require a special set of skills in order to reach consensus with all those involved.

This workshop aims to equip participants with the skills and knowledge to be more effective at building consensus in these complex multi-party, multi-issue settings. Participants will learn through a combination of case studies, interactive exercises, and group discussion. At the end of this short course, participants will have reflected critically upon their roles, developed new skills, and devised new strategies for effective consensus building within their own context.

Workshop participants will receive Certificates of Completion from the [Canadian International Institute of Applied Negotiation](#) (CIAN).

Who Should Attend This Course?

This course is intended for anyone tasked with the job of building consensus in complex settings such as community leaders, public servants, employees from nongovernmental organizations, policymakers, business people, and any other relevant stakeholders.

Trainer

Dr. Evan Hoffman is the Executive Director of the [Canadian International Institute of Applied Negotiation](#) (CIAN) and an Associate Faculty member with the School of Peace and Conflict Management at Royal Roads University.

Dr. Hoffman has published numerous articles on the themes of conflict prevention and resolution, peacebuilding, and mediation and he has provided consulting services to the Carter Center, the UN, the EU, the Ottawa Police Service, St. Lawrence College (Cornwall), the Vietnamese Ministry of Justice, and others on these topics.

Date, Costs, and Location

This course will be held on Friday October 26th in Bracebridge at the Town Hall.

The cost to attend is \$225/person + HST (includes all workshop materials).

How to Apply

To register for the workshop please email CIAN (cian@cian.org).

