

# 2022 OCEA Spring Conference – A Virtual Success!

A huge thank you to all those that participated in our recent **2022 Virtual OCEA Spring Conference** held on April 5, 2022. This year's theme was **Pathways Forward** ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ and the focus was **“Facilitating and Supporting the Exchange of Ideas Among Cooperative Education and other Experiential Learning Professionals”**.



**THANK YOU / KUDOS TO ALL THE WORKSHOP PRESENTERS!** Without our presenters there wouldn't be an event to plan.

Attendance at our **2022 Virtual OCEA Spring Conference** exceeded the expectations of the planning committee and feedback from the completed survey forms were very positive. The feedback assists us in improving and planning for our future events! Overall, we had **320 delegates** attending **25 workshops** with **over 34 workshop presenters** and **15 sponsors**.

## WE HAD TWO KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

**GEORGE COUROS** (*Innovative Teaching, Learning, and Leadership Consultant / Speaker. George is also the author of the books, “The Innovator’s Mindset; Empower Learning, Unleash Talent, and Lead a Culture of Creativity”, “Innovate Inside the Box”, and his latest release, “Because of a Teacher”.*)

and;

**BRUNY SURIN** (*has just been named a member of the Order of Canada. He is also a member of the Order of Quebec, a member of the Canada Olympic Committee Hall of Fame, Canada's Sports Hall of Fame, the Quebec Sports Hall of Fame, the Canada Games and the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.*)

**Sandra Fusco** (OCEA Board Secretary) and **Vincent B nard** (OCEA Director-at-Large, French) were the **conference master of ceremonies**, and they kept everyone informed and entertained between workshops and throughout the event!

The workshops were recorded and are available to current OCEA members in the **RESOURCES (Members Only)** area of our **website**. There are also a few PDF files that were provided by some of the workshop presenters. **NOTE: You must be signed into your online OCEA account and have a current OCEA membership to access this information.**

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<https://ogape.ca>

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myBlueprint is an Education and Career/Life planning software built from the ground up to support Creating Pathways to Success and the experiential learning curriculum in Ontario. Students can easily document and reflect on their experiences in a one-of-a-kind portfolio that they maintain after high school. Easy-to-implement resources tied to the Ontario curriculum are created by teachers for teachers with the ultimate goal of helping students make informed decisions about their unique futures.

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<https://tsslc.traincancampus.com>



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Manufacturing  
Council**

The Wood Manufacturing Council is a national organisation that works on education, training, and HR issues for the value-added wood manufacturing sector (kitchen cabinets, architectural millwork, furniture, wood windows and doors etc.). We work to attract people to the many varied and rewarding careers in the sector - one that is booming after the pandemic!

<https://wmc-cfb.ca>



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The planning has just begun!**