

Press Release

ICCM Celebrates 20 Years of Co-operative Management Education and Research Excellence

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On September 21 and 22, 2023, over seventy founders, faculty, staff, students, alumni, partners and friends gathered at Saint Mary's University in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada to mark the International Centre for Co-operative Management's (ICCM) 20-year anniversary. This event focused on learning, networking, visioning and celebrating and featured:

- A day of storytelling, reflexivity, visioning and knowledge-sharing;
- Local co-operative tours with Glitter Bean Café Co-operative, Bus Stop Theatre Co-operative, Healthy Minds Cooperative and Halifax Circus Co-operative;
- A harbour boat tour and networking social;
- Convocation ceremony for the 2023 class followed by an evening of revelry.

2023 marks 20 years since the launch of ICCM's flagship Master of Management, Co-operatives and Credit Unions program. Today, ICCM has grown to offer a suite of online, part-time graduate programs, short courses, a credit union leadership program, international co-op study tours and special topics webinars. ICCM's education programs have engaged over 1100 co-operative professionals in over 360 organizations from 41 nations. Additionally, ICCM is acknowledged as a global leader in co-operative research, which has culminated in symposia, books, journal articles and reports.

"During my decade plus with the Centre, I can see the impact of our work within the co-operative sector. We have built a global network of partners, meaningful involvement in key areas of research, and a wide spectrum of education opportunities for working professionals. Plus, we continue to innovate and adapt to meet the needs of co-operative enterprises of all sizes, types, sectors, and locations. Marking 20 years is a significant achievement." - Karen Miner, ICCM Managing Director and Adjunct Professor

"My dreams for the program were pretty ambitious back in the beginning, and knowing it has exceeded them is very satisfying. Never has this program been so important." - Tom Webb, Co-Founder, Former Program Manager and Adjunct Professor

ICCM exists to elevate the global co-operative sector through education and research that is by, for and about co-operatives.

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