

Changes at CIP

The new [Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act](#) provides federal not-for-profit corporations with a new set of rules that are better suited to the needs of today's non-profit sector. The Profession and the needs of the public are changing. The Planning for the Future changes shifted CIP's responsibility from membership certification and accreditation of planning schools to the promotion and advancement of the value of planning in Canada.

As specified in the new Act, **Articles of Continuance** must be submitted to Industry Canada by [October 17, 2014](#). The Articles will form the basis of **CIP's constitution** under the new legislation. Corporations that do not make the transition by October 17th, 2014 will be assumed to be inactive.

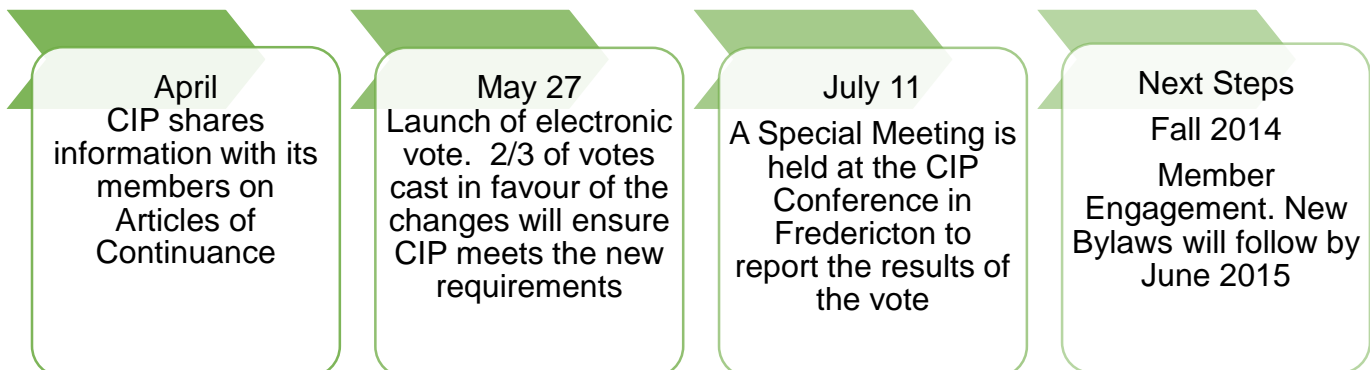
To clarify the **purpose** of the Institute as required in the Articles, CIP Council and the Provincial and Territorial Institutes and Associations have endorsed the attached **Consensus Statement on the Future of CIP**.

Members need to **review and vote** on the Articles of Continuance before they can be submitted to Industry Canada. **Voting begins electronically on May 27, 2014**. A **Special Meeting** will be held on **July 11, 2014** to report the results of the vote.



What is Changing?	CURRENT	FUTURE
Governance Structure	Council with an undefined number of Council members	Board of Directors with 7 to 15 Directors
Primary Focus	Services to planners	Promoting planning in the public interest
Major partners	Affiliates	Provincial and Territorial Institutes and Associations
Name	Canadian Institute of Planners	Canadian Institute of Planning

What is Happening When?



More information about the voting process, the Special Meeting of members and the upcoming changes is available on the CIP website. Questions and feedback can be transmitted directly to CIP by email at communications@cip-icu.ca, to CIP senior Staff and Council, or to the Presidents and Executive Directors of the Provincial and Territorial Institutes and Associations.

Consensus Statement on the Future of CIP*

1. It is a time for the renewal of the organizations that serve the planning profession in Canada. This renewal involves both the role of the Canadian Institute of Planners and its relationship with the partner Provincial and Territorial Institutes and Associations being the Planning Institute of British Columbia, the Alberta Professional Planners Institute, the Saskatchewan Professional Planners Institute, the Manitoba Professional Planners Institute, the Ontario Professional Planners Institute, l'Ordre des Urbanistes du Quebec and the Atlantic Planners Institute.
2. CIP's primary function is to promote and advance the value of planning in Canada. This function is realized by:
 - Creating awareness of the value of planning and the role of the professional planner in representing the public interest;
 - Serving as a nation-wide forum for knowledge sharing about planning and related issues, in the broadest sense;
 - Conducting research and advocating positions on planning issues of national significance;
 - Serving as the voice of Canadian planning nationally and engaging internationally;
 - Providing services and support to the Provincial and Territorial Institutes and Associations as needed and requested; and,
 - Making CIP's knowledge sharing services available to the broader planning community.
3. Professional member certification and accreditation are the responsibility of Provincial and Territorial Institutes and Associations.
4. CIP partners with the Provincial and Territorial Institutes and Associations to provide opportunities to share knowledge and resources, including Continuous Professional Learning opportunities.
5. CIP is governed in a manner that provides a balance of input and representation from Provincial and Territorial Institutes and Associations and related stakeholder interests.
6. CIP will change its name to the Canadian Institute of Planning to better reflect its new purpose and mandate.

*The *Consensus Statement on the Future of CIP* was endorsed in principle by CIP Council and the Provincial and Territorial Planning Institutes and Associations on April 6, 2014.