

## 2026 COUNCIL ELECTION PLATFORM

### Ataallah Momeni Heravi, P.Eng.

Candidate nominated by Council

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| <b>EDUCATION:</b>                                           | PhD Hydraulic Structures, Agricultural Engineering, University of Tehran, Iran, 2019                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>ENGINEERS<br/>GEOSCIENTISTS<br/>MANITOBA ACTIVITIES:</b> | Professional Engineer of Engineers Geoscientists Manitoba, 2024-present<br>Iranian Member Chapter, Executive Member, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>OTHER ENGINEERING/<br/>GEOSCIENCE ACTIVITIES:</b>        | Actively participated in various engineering conferences, technical seminars, workshops, and professional development programs related to civil, hydraulic, and municipal engineering. These activities have helped me remain current with industry standards, engineering practices, infrastructure planning, and emerging technologies.<br><br>Contributed to mentoring and training junior engineers and technical staff by sharing technical knowledge, reviewing engineering work, and supporting their professional development within project environments. |
| <b>EMPLOYERS SINCE<br/>GRADUATION:</b>                      | WSP, Winnipeg, MB, Project Engineer, 2026-present<br>ODK Engineering Ltd., Winnipeg, MB, Team Lead/Senior Water Resource Engineer, 2023-2026<br>Mahab Ghodss Consulting Engineering, Iran, Project Manager/Senior Water Resource Engineer, 2005-2022<br>University of Tehran, Iran, Graduate Teaching Assistant for Unsteady Flow Course, 2016-2018                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

### PLATFORM PART 1 – EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

**Please tell us why you are interested in serving on Council and what you bring to the role.**

I am interested in serving on Council because I would like to contribute to the engineering profession in Manitoba and support the Association's mandate of protecting the public interest. With a strong academic background in civil engineering, including a PhD degree in hydraulic civil engineering, and several years (20 years) of professional experience in infrastructure and municipal engineering projects, I believe I can bring valuable technical knowledge, analytical skills, and diverse perspectives to the role.

My background in hydraulic and civil engineering has provided me with strong expertise in water resources, hydraulic systems, drainage, and municipal infrastructure. In addition, my professional experience has strengthened my ability to evaluate complex technical issues, work collaboratively with multidisciplinary teams, and develop practical and sustainable engineering solutions.

As an internationally educated engineer who has continued his professional career in Manitoba, I understand the importance of professional ethics, continuous learning, diversity, and effective

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communication within the engineering profession. I would bring dedication, professionalism, critical thinking, and a strong commitment to public safety and responsible engineering practice to the Council role.

I am particularly interested in supporting initiatives related to professional development, inclusion of internationally educated professionals, infrastructure resilience, and maintaining public confidence in the engineering profession.

### **PLATFORM PART 2 – THE PUBLIC OF MANITOBA**

**The Association governs and regulates the professions in the public interest. What is, or what should, Council be doing to ensure that its governance is in the public interest and why?**

Council should continue strengthening transparency, accountability, ethical standards, and professional competence within the engineering and geoscience professions. Protecting the public interest requires ensuring that members maintain high professional and ethical standards while adapting to emerging challenges such as climate change, infrastructure resilience, evolving technologies, and public safety expectations.

Council should also encourage continuous professional development, support fair and effective regulatory processes, and promote diversity and inclusion within the profession. Strong governance helps maintain public trust and ensures that engineering decisions are made responsibly, ethically, and with long-term community benefit in mind.

### **PLATFORM PART 3 – THE ASSOCIATION**

**Council sets the expectation for the Association through the Strategic Imperatives and Outcomes within the Strategic Plan. What is the most important Strategic Imperative and why?**

In my opinion, one of the most important Strategic Imperatives is maintaining public confidence and trust in the engineering and geoscience professions. Public trust is the foundation of professional self-regulation. Engineers and geoscientists are responsible for infrastructure, public safety, and environmental stewardship, so it is essential that the Association demonstrates accountability, transparency, competence, and ethical leadership.

Maintaining public trust also supports the long-term strength of the profession and encourages collaboration between professionals, government agencies, industry, and the public.

### **PLATFORM PART 4 – THE COUNCIL**

**Council sets out the core characteristics of what it considers to be a good councillor in GP-6 Councillor Roles and Job Description. What is the most important characteristic of a good councillor and why?**

The most important characteristic of a good councillor is integrity. A councillor must make fair, ethical, and informed decisions that prioritize the public interest above personal or professional interests. Integrity helps build trust, encourages respectful collaboration, and supports responsible governance.

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A good councillor should also be open-minded, respectful of diverse perspectives, and willing to listen carefully to members and stakeholders before making decisions. These qualities help Council work effectively and make balanced decisions that benefit both the profession and the public.