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## **LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEADERSHIP ACADEMY 2015 CEO FORUM**

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The LGLA's 6<sup>th</sup> Chief Elected Officials Forum was held on June 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> at the Granville Island Hotel in Vancouver. The Forum was attended by 35 Mayors and Chairs from around the province. Delegates came from Vernon, Comox, Powell River RD, Spallumcheen, Langley Township, View Royal, North Okanagan RD, New Westminister, Pitt Meadows, Port Hardy, Chetwynd, Sicamous, Northern Rockies, East Kootenay RD, Radium Hot Springs, Coquitlam, Trail, Rossland, Warfield, Sunshine Coast RD, Kamloops, Kimberley, Columbia Shuswap RD, Bowen Island Municipality, Sayward, Montrose, Saanich, Kitimat Stikine RD, Fraser Fort George RD, Fruitvale, Tumbler Ridge, Central Okanagan RD, and Hope.

The Forum opened with Gord McIntosh introducing Leadership Imperatives, covering the leadership context and CEO challenges. After lunch, Don Lidstone of Lidstone & Co. Law presented a two-hour session on the legal and governance context, providing guidance for legislated functions and covering core governance responsibilities.

The balance of the afternoon focused on governance success, with emphasis on a checklist to guide and assess council/staff relations and identification of the key leadership concerns facing participants.

A Leadership Reception was held from 5-7 p.m., providing an opportunity to share ideas in an informal setting.

The morning of June 25<sup>th</sup> focused on Group Dynamics, or the behavioral aspects of governance, as well as Decision Making and Strategic Decisions, with a focus on governance strategies and how to improve organizational effectiveness.

Following lunch, delegates discussed CEO Effectiveness and Leadership Action.

All in all, the event was a great success thanks to our excellent presenters and many enthusiastic participants. The LGLA is now considering future CEO Forum dates, locations and topics.