



Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO), the organization that regulates professional engineering in the province to serve and protect the public interest, and the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE), the advocacy and services organization for professional engineers, are committed to working together to make a vital and respected profession even better, and we invite you to support this important process.

Working with the Canadian Society of Professional Engineers, PEO created OSPE in 2000 as a distinct organization dedicated to advancing the interests of professional engineers in Ontario, and PEO continues to support OSPE in this important role. Since 2000, OSPE has been the voice of professional engineers across the province, speaking out on their behalf to governments, industry and the public.

Both PEO's and OSPE's roles are important: PEO, as a fair and effective regulator, and OSPE, as a strong voice for engineers. As two mature organizations, PEO and OSPE exist autonomously, working together when appropriate in a business-like manner.

Currently, PEO and OSPE work in this fashion to jointly host the Ontario Professional Engineers Awards. OSPE is also the Ontario representative on the National Women in Engineering Committee, and PEO and OSPE jointly host, or participate together in, seminars and other events when it is mutually beneficial to do so and will not confuse our members or the public.

Our relationship is based on mutual respect and cooperation, based on a conviction that it is in the interests of both the public and the members of the profession that there be both a strong regulatory body to ensure the highest standards of practice among engineering practitioners and a body that can respond to the concerns of its members and represent their interests. Generally, the interests of the larger public will also be those of individual professional engineers, but not necessarily. That was the reason for establishing OSPE 12 years ago, and it remains as valid as ever.