

Christian Bellini, P.Eng., FEC - Candidate for President Elect

Education: Honours B.A.Sc. in Civil Engineering with an option in Management Sciences, University of Waterloo, 1994.

Career Summary: Blackwell Structural Engineers, Principal (1995–Present), University of Waterloo, Adjunct Faculty (2014–Present)

I am a practicing structural engineer. As a Partner at my firm Blackwell, which I have helped grow from 2 people to over 60, I split my time between doing engineering design and running the firm – I have a strong foundation in both engineering and business. I also serve on the Board of Engineers Canada. My current term as Vice President on PEO Council is the culmination of 15 years of extensive volunteer experience at PEO and Engineers Canada. 24 years of project based work has helped me develop a strong ability to pragmatically lead teams, finding common ground and building consensus without compromising basic principles.

I am passionate about engineering regulation and – in particular – about PEO's self–regulation model. We have been rightly granted legislative authority to regulate engineering in Ontario – as engineers we are best qualified to do this. However, we need not look far to see very real risks to our self–regulation. Proactively, we have recently undergone an external regulatory review of our operations, procedures and our work. The Cayton Report outlines a number of recommendations which we are now considering. I have been directly involved in this work with my continuous involvement with PEO and Council over the last 15 years. We have a unique opportunity to broadly rework and modernize PEO's regulatory activities. It is critical that we approach this needed change in a thorough, thoughtful and well resolved way so that the outcome is a modern and effective PEO which is also able to nimbly adapt to today's fast changing engineering environment. Completing this work will take more than the length of one term of office, so we must lay the groundwork now. My broad experience with PEO's regulatory activities and my extensive work experience bringing large complex projects to fruition makes me the most qualified candidate for this role.

Volunteer Experience

PEO: Vice President (2019–2020), Councillor-at-Large (2016–2018), Executive Committee, Experience Requirements (Chair, Vice-Chair), 30x30 TF (Vice-Chair), Legislation (Chair), Advisory Committee on Volunteers (Vice-Chair), Finance, OPC (Chair), National Framework TF (Vice-Chair), Licensing, CEDC

Engineers Canada: Director (2018–2021), Canadian Engineering Qualifications Board (2018–2020), LAC (2013–2016), Competency Based Experience Assessment Project

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