



CSSE Welcomes Christopher Barry as New CEO

November 11, 2021 - After a comprehensive search, the CSSE Board of Directors is pleased to announce Christopher Barry as the new Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for the association. With more than twenty years of strategic leadership experience as a member of senior management teams and a CEO, Christopher has earned a reputation in the non-profit sector for developing and executing strategies that grow organizations, elevate fundraising, manage costs and introduce best practice solutions.

“We’re thrilled that someone with Christopher’s extensive background and experience will be leading the CSSE on the next stage of our journey, as we implement our new by-laws and move into a self-governance structure,” said Christl Aggus, President, CSSE. “Christopher has led numerous national not-for-profit organizations through complex change. He is the perfect leader to build on the momentum we’ve started over the last several months and continue to drive the association forward for our members.”

Prior to completing numerous interim engagements in the non-profit sector, Christopher performed in senior executive roles with several leading companies in the financial services sector and wireless communications field. Earlier in his career, he served as a Senior Vice President for a major international public affairs consultancy, as a member of the executive management team for an Ontario crown corporation, and as the senior government affairs/foreign market entry executive at a major financial institution.

“I’m very excited to join the CSSE. I look forward to working with the Board and Members to continue to advance the CSSE’s vision and mission, shaping the safety profession in Canada,” said Christopher. “My key areas of focus will be growing membership, improving communication, enhancing education, advocating with government and breaking into new industry sectors. I will also draw upon my experience to introduce processes and systems that improve operating efficiency and bottom-line results. I look forward to getting started!”

A former combat paratrooper and Logistics officer in the Canadian Army, Christopher’s education includes a Master of Arts degree from the Johns Hopkins University’s Nitze School of Advanced International Studies. Christopher speaks English, French and Mandarin Chinese, and holds Professional Logistician (P.Log.) and Lean Six Sigma certifications.

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About CSSE

The Canadian Society of Safety Engineering (CSSE) is the leading health, safety and environmental organization for professionals engaged in the design, implementation, and management of occupational health, safety and environmental programs. The CSSE works with industry, governmental agencies and other safety organizations to promote a greater awareness of health, safety and environmental issues in workplaces and communities across the nation and around the world. Membership consists of 4,000+ members representing every province and territory in Canada through a network of 30+ active Chapters, plus international members around the globe.