



Yvon Lachance, CCCA, MOAQ, MIRAC

Yvon Lachance is a senior partner of BGLA, an architectural firm employing more than 70 people and with three business locations in Quebec. With over 27 years' experience in architecture, Mr. Lachance is in charge of the firm's "critical environments" department and with a keen interest in everything complex and out of the ordinary. His portfolio includes many major institutional and public projects, university pavilions, research centres (health, chemistry, physics) and projects to renovate contemporary and heritage envelopes.

His curiosity and interest in seeing his concepts materialize as he imagines them naturally brought him closer to CSC, where he was able to meet people from many backgrounds with similar interests, sharing and putting into practice one of his deep convictions: that the active collaboration of all stakeholders in the project is crucial to achieving a quality construction.

Since 2013, following an invitation from then Director Daniel Morin, Yvon has been involved on the Executive Committee of CSC's Montreal Chapter, first as Chair for three terms before being elected Director of the Chapter in 2016. During his various terms of office, he was able to motivate and lead the Chapter's Executive Committee in growing the membership from 92 in 2013 to 144 today, a 56% increase over 6 years. Together with Daniel, he has extended the full collaboration of the Montreal Chapter to the Quebec Chapter in its recent restructuring efforts. Yvon chaired many committees, including the Training Committee. It was during his involvement in this committee that the translation work for the Specification Writer and Principles of Construction Documentation courses was carried out.

At the association level, Yvon was the instigator of the implementation of the Translation Committee last year, of which he became the Chair. In addition to the fact that this committee is a tool to assist the Association in its communications efforts, Yvon saw in this initiative an opportunity to offer Francophones across the country a constructive way to get involved in CSC's activities and to contribute to the influence of this great group. The work to be done remains enormous, but he is confident that over time it will prove that this positive approach is effective and that more and more Francophones will join the association.

Yvon is also involved in the organization of the CSC 2020 conference where he acts as co-chair and is active on the technical subcommittee. He received his Certified Construction Contract Administrator designation in 2016. In recent years, Yvon has received the Montreal Chapter Award of Merit in 2016 and the CSC Program Director's Award for the Educations Certification Committee in 2017.

In addition to his involvement with CSC, Yvon is a member of the International Association for Preservation and Technology (APT), the International Institute for Sustainable Laboratories (I²SL) and the Sustainable Laboratories of Canada (SLCan) where he serves on the Board of Directors and as Vice President. He is frequently invited to share his experience and knowledge with students from various schools of architecture where he leads "specialist workshops" and is a guest critic. He has been a speaker at the last two SLCAN national conferences and a panelist at events organized by the Association des Architectes en Pratique Privée du Québec.

"Through my candidacy, I offer members my experience, enthusiasm and interest in supporting the association's development, not only at the national level but also with the country's Francophone community. I hope to be able to bring new members to join our association and contribute to its success and influence. Beyond this goal, I am excited to help all members in this challenging and exciting time of new ideas and opportunities in the field of construction documentation. I thank you in advance for your support and assure you that I will provide you with my full attention throughout my mandate! I am CSC."